

AMERICAN FORK CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 6, 2014
NOTICE OF SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

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The American Fork City Council met in a Swearing-In Ceremony on Monday, January 6, 2014, in the American Fork City Hall, 31 North Church Street, commencing at Twelve O'clock Noon. Those present included Mayor James H. Hadfield and Councilmembers Heidi Rodeback, Brad Frost, Robert Shelton, and Clark Taylor. Councilman Craig Nielsen was excused.

Staff present: Administrative Assistant Laurel Allman
Associate Planner Wendelin Knobloch
Battalion Chief/Fire Marshal Doug Bateman
Cemetery Sexton Ray Garrett
City Administrator Craig Whitehead
City Engineer Andy Spencer
City Recorder Richard Colborn
City Treasurer Melanie Marsh
Deputy Recorder Terilyn Lurker
Finance Director Cathy Jensen
Fire Chief Kriss Garcia
IT Specialist George Schade
Police Chief Lance Call
Public Works Director Dale Goodman

Also present: Elaine Hadfield, Dan & Karen Adams, Shirley Hunt, Barbara Christiansen, Councilman-elect Carlton Bowen and family, Councilman-elect Jeffrey Shorter and family, and 30 additional persons

Mayor Hadfield led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and LDS Hillcrest Stake President M. Tim Welch offered a prayer.

WELCOME – MAYOR JAMES H. HADFIELD

Mayor Hadfield welcomed families, friends, citizens, and staff. He noted that this meeting was significant because it was the changing of the guard and followed an orderly fashion of government and is something that was routinely done. They look forward to new opportunities, new challenges, and fresh faces. There were refreshments available downstairs after the meeting.

Mayor Hadfield expressed his appreciation to staff, especially to Laurel Allman for her involvement in preparation for today. He turned time to Councilman Shelton for some presentations.

Councilman Shelton stated that one of the great opportunities of serving on a City Council was learning to work together. There were comments from staff over the past few years that this had been the best Council that they had ever worked with and he had heard that from many citizens as

well. They wished to recognize and appreciate those that have served.

Mayor Hadfield was recognized with the presentation of an American Flag. The plaque states:

“This flag was flown over American Fork Historic City Hall on December 26– 29, 2013, in honor of the dedicated service of Mayor James Hadfield. Mayor Hadfield faithfully served the City of American Fork from January 4, 2010 to December 31, 2013.

He taught us all about brushing our teeth and looking in the mirror!

Character is much easier kept than recovered. - Thomas Paine

Presented on 6 day of January 2014 by Councilmembers Heidi Rodeback, Clark Taylor, Brad Frost, Robert Shelton, and Craig Nielsen”

There was general applause.

Councilmember Rodeback was recognized with the presentation of an American Flag. The plaque states:

“This flag was flown over American Fork Historic City Hall on December 18 – 25, 2013, to commemorate the dedicated service of Councilmember Heidi Rodeback. Councilmember Rodeback has served the City of American Fork honorably from January 2, 2006 to December 31, 2013.

She taught us all about how one homemaker can make a difference!

The homemaker has the ultimate career. All other careers exist for one purpose only - and that is to support the ultimate career. - C.S. Lewis

Presented on 6 day of January 2014 by Mayor James Hadfield and Councilmembers Clark Taylor, Brad Frost, Robert Shelton, and Craig Nielsen”

There was general applause.

Mayor Hadfield explained that the comment made about looking in the mirror and brushing your teeth and washing your face was a comment he used to the council several times when difficult decisions were to be made. He told them to look within their self and you decide what was best for the City and what was best for your family and what was best for your neighbors and what was best for your constituents that you represent. He was sure that as they looked in the mirror and brushed their teeth and washed their face they would find the answer to that perplexing question. That was his wisdom to the Councilmembers

Mayor Hadfield excused Councilman Craig Nielsen. He is a Director of Oncology at IHC and has a very important role to do there. He will be recognized at the January 14, 2014 City Council meeting.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

a. Councilmember Heidi Rodeback

Mayor Hadfield presented a plaque to outgoing Councilmember Heidi Rodeback which read:

“With our greatest appreciation we hereby present Heidi K. Rodeback with this plaque in recognition of your commitment and dedication to American Fork City through your service as a City Councilmember January 2006 through December 2013. This unselfish service has contributed toward the growth and development of American Fork and has earned the sincere appreciation and thanks of the Mayor, City Council and citizens of American Fork.

Awarded this 6th day of January 2014. American Fork City”

There was general applause.

Councilmember Rodeback remarked that it had been an honor and a privilege to work with so many devoted, dedicated, caring residents of this community over the past ten years. She hoped that her service has not come to an end, but this chapter has. She said she owed thanks to the hard working City staff for everything they have done to move the City forward and to the all of the City Councilmembers that she had worked with. She thanked her family who supported her. Her daughter who was now in college just told her this morning that to this day she doesn't feel right about scheduling anything on a Tuesday night because that was for mom. She had a husband with advanced degrees in political science who was far more qualified to make these decisions than she was, but for the past eight years he swallowed his pride, watched a lay person make decisions, and has made his civic contribution that of washing dishes, supervising homework, and getting kids into bed. She thought that was admirable. She was thankful for the great ride and challenged all to remember that this was our home and we have two great priorities above all: Respect the great Constitution of this land and we need to remember that whatever we do in this community it was where we are going to raise our families and it needed to be adequate to that purpose.

There was general applause.

b. Councilman Craig Nielsen

This will be done at the January 14, 2014 City Council meeting.

SWEARING-IN OF MAYOR-ELECT JAMES H. HADFIELD AND COUNCILMEMBERS-ELECT CARLTON BOWEN & JEFFREY SHORTER

City Recorder Richard Colborn issued the Oath of Office to Jeffrey Shorter who also signed his

Oath. There was general applause. He took his seat at the Council table.

City Recorder Richard Colborn issued the Oath of Office to Carlton Bowen who also signed his Oath. There was general applause. He took his seat at the Council table.

City Recorder Richard Colborn issued the Oath of Office James H. Hadfield who also signed his Oath. There was general applause. He took his seat at the Council table.

REMARKS

Councilman Shorter introduced his wife Joellen Shorter, his oldest daughter Amber and a couple of his grandchildren Ellie and Conner, his daughter Brooke Shorter, his son Chad Shorter, and a couple of other family members.

Councilman Shorter expressed that it was an interesting experience running this year. He was excited to see what he could do to help the City of American Fork and also to uphold and defend the State Constitution and the Constitution of the United States of America. It was a great instrument. It was too bad we spend too much time taking it apart and ignoring it. He was excited to work with the City Council. Councilmember Rodeback had served well and was grateful for her service and also for Craig Nielsen. It will be a great experience and he hoped to make American Fork City as great as it ought to be. There were good people here. We need to turn them free and see what they could do. There was general applause.

Councilman Bowen introduced his wife Linda and his children Christopher, Rebecca, and Jared, and also an International Student who was part of their family for several months Hurin Hwang. He introduced his wife's parents and his In-Laws Josef and Melva Zillner, his mother Sharon and his brother Brad. He gave a special recognition also to several citizens that he knew that he would not be here without them, Beth, Mark, Shirley and others, thank you.

Councilman Bowen read from a prepared statement:

"This is the 2nd time I've taken a formal oath to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States. The first time was when I was 18 years old and enlisted in the United States Air Force, where I had the distinct honor, privilege, and blessing to serve my country. Now I have the distinct honor, blessing, and privilege to serve my community, having been entrusted by the citizens of our great city with the rights and responsibilities of a City Councilman.

I've been a student of the Constitution for the past 20 years. I had a love for the Constitution and history at age 18, but my understanding of the Constitution is now much broader and deeper.

Over the past few years, I've come to better appreciate the many checks and balances of our Constitution, to safeguard our liberty and our right to govern ourselves. When we think of "checks and balances" we typically think of the horizontal separation of powers, with the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial "branches" of government. But there is also a vertical

separation of powers in the U.S. Constitution, with State and local governments intended to check federal abuses. This too is part of the Constitution, as found in the 9th and 10 Amendments and other places. This structural check has been reaffirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court as recently as 1997, in the landmark Mack/Printz vs. USA ruling.

I've come to realize that so much of what affects us day to day is local and State, not federal.

I'm thankful to the voters of our city who have placed their trust in me. While imperfect, I shall do my best to remain true and faithful to our State and U.S. Constitutions, and to the principles they enshrine.”

There was general applause.

Mayor Hadfield recognized his wife of 48 years, Elaine, his wife’s brother Hugh and his friend Dorothy. He introduced his daughter Jennifer and her husband Martin Smith and his brother Glenn and his wife Sherrol.

Mayor Hadfield stated that American Fork was a great community. There were many great people who make American Fork well. He was happy to see Dan Adams present who was the Chairman of the Historic Preservation Committee and his wife Karen who was the President of the local chapter of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and ran the Museum. The volunteer hours put in by these two were unmeasurable. It was the volunteer efforts that made American Fork so great including the Arts Council and the many different Boards and Committees. One could not put a price on that volunteer effort. A year or so ago he asked Melanie Marsh to keep track of volunteer hours in the community. She started in April and by November it was hard to continue to measure it as they had over 60,000 volunteer hours. Volunteer hours came from the Literacy Center, the Library, Pink Ladies at the Hospital, Fire Department volunteers, Arts Council, and many others. There was a sweet lady that sat on the Governing Board of the Arts Council that was in her late 80’s and yet she was the first one to every one of the meetings. She put in hours and hours with the Art Shows. When they go to honor her she was the last one that wants to get the recognition. She felt that everyone should have a little responsibility to do something.

Mayor Hadfield announced the Council assignments.

Mayor Hadfield

Public Safety
Schools / Education
Senior Citizens
Veterans Groups
Metropolitan Water Board
American Fork Irrigation Company

Councilman Taylor

Mayor Pro-tem
Fox Hollow Golf Course

Councilman Frost

Steel Days Celebration
Cemetery Committee

Councilman Shelton

Chamber of Commerce
Economic Development
Downtown American Fork Inc
Library / Literacy

Councilman Shorter

Arts Council
Youth Council / Youth Court
Historic Preservation

Councilman Bowen

Recreation / Parks / Trails
Neighborhood Preservation
Neighbors in Action
Beautification / Shade Tree

Mayor Hadfield recognized Daily Herald Representative Barbara Christiansen. He explained that he first met her when he was a member of the Planning Commission way back before the LDS Temple was here. She would come to Planning Commission meetings and quite often she would call him to get clarification on some things. He always found her reporting to accurate and on time and right to the point. She has always done a good job. When they took her from American Fork City and made her responsible for Government and Church Activities in the Provo Office of the Daily Herald there was a void in this community. They were glad to have her back in American Fork covering local events. There was general applause.

Mayor Hadfield asked the Councilmembers if they had anything else.

Councilman Bowen had nothing further.

Councilman Frost stated that this was a great reminder for him. A couple of years ago he was in that seat and it was pretty hot. It was big to have Mayor Hadfield back with them. He could not be more pleased as a resident and a member of this City Council. He has taught him a great deal. He hated to look in the mirror for very long because it scared him but he has taught him to look in the mirror no matter what decision was to be made. He was glad to have him for another four years along with the First Lady of American Fork, Elaine Hadfield.

Councilman Frost continued that about two and a half years ago, while he was campaigning, he was asked a lot of questions. For clarification on some things he called Councilmember Rodeback. They met at the Library and she gave him the opportunity to go over a bunch of things. He could not be more grateful for her teaching him things that he did not know in a friendly manner. She would be sorely missed but he would keep her on speed dial. He was so grateful that they had a democratic process. He said that without a doubt this Council had no agenda and that they just wanted to do what was best for the City. He looked forward to working with the new Councilmembers to continue that process.

Councilman Taylor regretted to believe the brushing your teeth portion was for him. He likewise was very pleased to be here and to be a part of this. As a member of the Council it was a wonderful

responsibility but it was likewise equally a great opportunity. That was what the five of them had with the Mayor leading them. It was a gift and an opportunity to do what they thought was best and to act in behest of our citizens and businesses. It was wonderful to be able to do so. For all of them to be able to come together and to work together with the City staff was a great opportunity. As they practiced open minds and as they understood one another's stances, they won't always agree, but hopefully they would always have respect and be able to work with one another and to do what was in the best interest of the citizens of American Fork. He appreciated all the hard work and effort that has gone into making American Fork what it is.

Councilman Taylor continued that he thought that Councilmember Rodeback and Councilman Nielsen were wonderful individuals and selfless individuals. Never at any time did he doubt their integrity or their motives behind what was happening. Although he did not always agree he knew they were acting the way they thought best. He looked forward to that same kind of relationship with Councilman Shorter and Councilman Bowen and an ongoing relationship with the Mayor in that way.

Councilman Shelton expressed that he was grateful for Councilmember Rodeback's wisdom and her willingness to serve. It was a pleasure to learn from her example and what she stood for. There was a lot the City had to be grateful for because of the issues she championed. The information she provided always led to a healthy discussion. She was always will to receive a phone call regarding an issue. He was looking forward to what the next two years held for this Council so they could strive to continue to make those decisions that were appropriate for the City and to build upon what they already had.

Councilman Shelton added that he would be remiss without thanking City staff. He knew that coming in it was hard to learn to trust individuals. As he had a chance to work with them and talk with them about issues he has come to learn that they were experts in their industry.

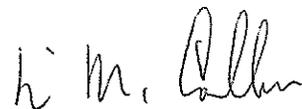
Councilman Shorter had nothing further.

Mayor Hadfield commented on the quality of staff in American Fork City. They get many things done in the community. It was always a pleasure for him to represent the staff before the community because he knew they had given the best they could. It has been said many times by one of our First Responders that when you are having the worse day of your life and you place that 911 call, you can rest assured that somebody would respond that was dedicated and knowledgeable and caring to your situation. That was rewarding to him. He complimented all of the staff and wished them well in working together.

Mayor Hadfield thanked all for coming.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by common consent at 12:38 p.m.



Richard M. Colborn, City Recorder