

**TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 5, 2011**

Members Present:

David Deakin  
Diana Doutre  
Lyle Holmgren  
Jeff Reese  
Byron Wood  
Roger Fridal, Mayor  
Shawn Warnke, City Manager  
Darlene S. Hess, Recorder

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

Mayor Fridal called the April 5, 2011 City Council Workshop to order at 6:03 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Fridal, Councilmembers Deakin, Doutre, Holmgren, Reese, and Wood, City Manager Shawn Warnke, Recorder Darlene S. Hess, Zoning Administrator Steve Bench, Police Chief David Nance, and Treasurer Sharri Oyler. Public Works Director Paul Fulgham was excused.

1. Review of agenda items on the 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting:

The Council reviewed the April 5, 2011 Agenda with the following items being discussed in more detail:

Public Hearing regarding amending the current year budget – Manager Warnke told the Council that there are two amendments to the Budget which do not appear on the write-up for this Agenda Item. The Library received a grant in the amount of \$2,300 so both the revenue and expense needs to be amended to recognize this amount. This does not appear in the budget document.

The other item is consideration of the City joining and being a member of EDC Utah (Economic Development Corporation of Utah). They are the clearing house for Economic Development within the State of Utah. Tremonton is currently participating with them to some extent, but being a member provides additional opportunities and information that the City wouldn't otherwise have. There are opportunities to network and opportunities to get exposure at an annual retail show in Las Vegas. The cost for membership is about \$1,500 per year.

There was some discussion as to whether or not the City is already getting those benefits from Box Elder County's membership. Councilmember Holmgren felt that there are additional benefits by the City having its own membership and dealing directly with EDCU Utah. Manager Warnke said that one of the big benefits to being a member is that

the City will have access to information that is not currently available. Both Malt-O-Meal and West Liberty Foods were recruited through the Sure Site process. Tremonton gets invitations to respond, but after responding, it goes into a vacuum where, with membership, the stages of the project could be followed. EDC Utah has a booth at the retail show in Las Vegas. As members of EDC Utah, Tremonton could share the booth and participate in that show. Another networking opportunity membership provides would be to attend and participate in the EDC Utah meetings and luncheons. EDC Utah is the premier organization for economic development. If Tremonton wants to be proactive in economic development, this is the best opportunity available.

Councilmember Wood expressed concern that there would be a lot of added expense in addition to the membership with lunches, attendance at the show in Las Vegas, etc. Manager Warnke pointed out that Brigham City has one person dedicated to economic development. In Tremonton there would need to be a committee effort.

Councilmember Holmgren added that it is harder to get these opportunities now. The competition is more fierce than it was a few years ago. He questioned whether it wouldn't be to the City's advantage to be more aggressive in seeking these opportunities and that membership might give the City more contacts and leads. The Council needs to look at all of the options.

Mayor Fridal commented to the Council that he attended the meeting along with Manager Warnke and Councilmember Holmgren, and that he was completely sold on the benefits of membership. Right now, there is no economic development going on in Tremonton City. If membership could provide some opportunities it would be worth it. If it was later decided that it isn't worth it, Tremonton could drop their membership. The City needs to work every angle. In his opinion, if the City can find the \$1,500, it would be money well spent.

Manager Warnke said that EDCU Utah will be glad to come and explain to the Council what they have to offer. It was agreed that it would be good to have them come.

Councilmember Deakin pointed out that it would be good to put and keep the La-Z-Boy building on a list as a location for a potential new business. Councilmember Holmgren said that they were told at the EDCU Utah meeting that there are fewer and fewer of those old buildings available. A lot of them have been snatched up because it is less expensive than building a new structure.

Manager Warnke said that another benefit, which does not require membership, is the EDC Utah Sure Site which is a searchable database where available properties can be listed and made available for prospective businesses. Tremonton can put as many sites as are available onto that database. EDC Utah will come and do training for the real estate agents.

Manager Warnke mentioned additional amendments to the FY 2010-2011 Budget:

- Moving the discretionary expenses into specific line items within the same budget.
- Budget funds for iPads
- Increase City Manager Budget for travel and education as there is an opportunity to get some additional information on Impact Fees, and the staff is in the midst of doing a study to consider implementation of Storm Drain Impact Fees. The law is for Storm Drain Impact Fees was recently re-written.
- Increase the Street Light Budget due to an audit which identified streetlights that the City has not been paying for.
- Storm Drain Fund – increase to pay for the Impact Fee Study and for mowing associated with storm drain ponds. This is a Fund which is struggling because the fees are not high enough. In working with Public Works Director Fulgham and Finance Director Roberts, a recommendation is being prepared which will be presented to the Council in the near future about increasing that fee to adequately fund the Fund’s short and long term operations.
- Water and Treatment Plant Funds – recognizing revenue which has already occurred in the Water Fund and estimating the receipt of additional revenue in the Treatment Plant Funds.

Councilmember Deakin asked if these adjustments mean that more funds are being taken out of the Fund Balance. Manager Warnke replied that funds are being taken from the Fund Balance for the Storm Drain, but not in the General Fund. He is estimating that the revenue for the Treatment Plant Fund will be adequate to cover expenses.

Councilmember Deakin asked what is causing the Storm Drain Fund to be an issue now. Manager Warnke replied that the Water Fund has always been very strong. Before the Storm Drain Fund was separated from the Water Fund there wasn’t the visibility of how much the Storm Drain Fund was being carried by the Water Fund. Finance Director Roberts feels that the Sewer Fund will be struggling in the near future and will be recommending an increase in those fees, as well.

Councilmember Wood asked Manager Warnke if had had the opportunity to speak with Director Fulgham about increasing the size of the new water tank to be built on the hill. It would cost less to build a larger tank now, while a tank is being built, than to wait and build another tank later on. Manager Warnke said that he had, and they obtained an engineer’s estimate. The estimate for a 1M gallon tank was around \$500,000 or \$600,000. For a 1.5M gallon tank it was in the \$800,000 range, and for a 2M gallon tank the cost was close to \$1M. When looking at the cost per gallon, the 1.5M and the 2M gallon tanks were within \$0.01 per gallon of each other, which was surprising. Another issue to consider is that it might be more difficult to acquire additional property for another tank in the future. There is room to put a 2M gallon tank on the current piece of property.

Mayor Fridal pointed out that, with the recent earthquakes in Japan, the Council may want to ponder the advisability of putting that kind of an investment on the fault line.

Ordinance 11-05 Transient Room Tax (TRT) – Manager Warnke commented that Councilmember Wood had suggested that the definition section be changed, taking out resort homes and condos. This can be changed, however, it is pretty common language for most of the TRT Ordinances, and, this could become an issue at some point in the future. Councilmember Wood said he was fine with leaving the language in.

Councilmember Deakin said that he had noticed that the Municipal Impact Fees portion had been crossed out and moved to the “900” section. He asked if there were any changes to the Impact Fee section. Manager Warnke said there were no changes. The Impact Fee Ordinance cannot be changed without going through a drawn-out public notice process. Manager Warnke stated that he just wanted to renumber it because he is anticipating some future changes.

Manager Warnke stated that Mayor Fridal had mentioned in a prior meeting that Plymouth had approached the County about having the County help subsidize some of the bad debt they were realizing with their ambulance service. The County looked at that and felt that the Ordinance they have on indigents would not allow the County to subsidizing Plymouth’s bad debt.

Councilmember Reese asked if the Hampton Inn people would be at tonight’s meeting and was told they were invited. If the Council adopts the Ordinance which enacts the Transient Room Tax, the revenue will be receipted into the General Fund. However, in looking at the Fire Department Budget, it isn’t looking too good, so it might be advisable to pass the revenue on to that Fund until they are able to perform a little better with their revenue.

Moderate Income Housing – Zoning Administrator Bench said that this is the biennial review of the plan as required by State Statute. Tremonton has done quite well the past couple of years.

Billboard in Elwood Town – Manager Warnke and Zoning Administrator Bench explained that there is an agreement, dating back to the 1980’s, where Tremonton will provide fire protection to Elwood in exchange for the placement of a billboard on what was then property owned by Earl Petersen. As of July of last year, that property was acquired by Elwood Town. The Mayor of Elwood recently brought the agreement to the City’s attention. He also offered Tremonton the option to lease the property. Mayor Fridal, Director Fulgham and Zoning Administrator Bench looked at the billboard and looked at possible opportunities to relocate the billboard. The most viable option would be to move it within the un-zoned area of the County. County ordinances would allow for this.

There aren’t a lot of good locations within the close proximity of the existing location of the billboard. Manager Warnke said that there is a small area between incorporated Elwood and incorporated Honeyville. Zoning Administrator Bench stated that it would be a good one-half mile further south from the existing location, south of the Bear River but north of the Honeyville exit, within the river bottoms. The billboard copy directs

travelers to exit at one of the next two exits. The next exit actually is exiting into Elwood, and might have limited value as to what is trying to be accomplished by the billboard. Another consideration is that there are a lot of billboards and signs within the City that may not reflect well upon Tremonton in their current condition. Another thought would be to use the money to improve the other billboards and signs rather than trying to preserve this site. About \$8,000 has been budgeted this year for billboards.

Once a billboard is eliminated, it is a lot harder to get another billboard. Right now, Elwood recognizes Tremonton's billboard as a non-conforming use billboard. There are some good provisions in the State Statutes about billboards that don't allow City's to eliminate billboards once they are there. One element that is unknown is UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation). UDOT has some control over the billboards along the freeway. UDOT has not been contacted, so it is uncertain what their thoughts would be about Tremonton trying to relocate the billboard.

If the Council were to decide to lease the property from Elwood, they would want \$400 per month. Tremonton owns property where YESCO has two billboards. Tremonton is receiving \$3,000 per year for the two YESCO billboards under a contract which was entered into about ten years ago and is about to expire. The staff will try to negotiate with YESCO for a higher lease amount.

Councilmember Reese stated that he didn't see any advantage in keeping that billboard. The Council and Mayor Fridal agreed. The billboard directs people to the Texaco gas station in Elwood. There are several billboards on the freeway, at no cost to the City and coming from both directions, which direct people to Tremonton.

Councilmember Deakin asked if Tremonton owns or leases the two big billboards on either side of the interchange. Manager Warnke said he believes that the billboard on I-15, seen when traveling south from Pocatello, ID, is on property owned by the City. It is uncertain whether the City is paying YESCO rent for these billboards as they identify their billboards by number and not location. Manager Warnke is trying to obtain that information.

The other billboard, seen when heading north to Pocatello, before the split, is on UDOT property. Zoning Administrator Bench stated that that billboard is the old Olympic billboard. It is very attractive, but the copy is getting old and could be improved. The billboard could also be raised a few feet for better view.

Manager Warnke stated that the billboard in Elwood is the same billboard that was damaged during the construction of the power line and the City received a \$3,000 settlement from Rocky Mountain Power. That money was going to be used to add new billboard copy. Obviously, if the Council decides to eliminate that billboard, the money won't be used for that purpose.

2. Discussion of legislation on H.B. 54 (Electronic Communications in Public Meetings) and S.B. 142 (Public Official contact Information)

Manager Warnke informed the Council that there are two changes the Council needs to be aware of as a result of the referenced legislation. The State Code now clarifies that Councils can communicate by electronic means, but they can't do that during a public meeting. The other requirement is that the Council must make public a phone and e-mail address, if available, to the public. This information will be posted to the City's web page.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m. by consensus of the Council.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Fridal called the April 5, 2011 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Tremonton City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Fridal, Councilmembers Deakin, Doutre, Holmgren, Reese, and Wood, City Manager Shawn Warnke, Recorder Darlene S. Hess, Zoning Administrator Steve Bench, Police Chief David Nance, and Treasurer Sharri Oyler.

### 1. Opening Ceremony.

Mayor Fridal informed the audience that he had received no written or oral request to participate in the Opening Ceremony. He asked anyone who may be offended by listening to a prayer to step out into the lobby for this portion of the meeting. The prayer was offered by Police Chief Nance and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Zoning Administrator Bench.

### 2. Discussion and approval of agenda.

Mayor Fridal asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were no comments.

**Motion by Councilmember Holmgren to approve the April 5, 2011 agenda.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Deakin. Vote: Councilmember Deakin, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

### 3. Approval of minutes – March 15, 2011 and March 22, 2011.

Mayor Fridal asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes. Councilmember Deakin requested a change to his comment at the bottom of page 14 of the March 15<sup>th</sup> minutes. It should read “. . . switch from a tax base system to a fee base system.”

**Motion by Councilmember Reese to approve the minutes of March 15, 2011 with corrections and March 22, 2011 as written.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Wood. Vote: Councilmember Deakin – aye, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

4. Introduction of guests.

Mayor Fridal welcomed members of the Realtors Board, Youth City Councilmembers, and all others present.

5. Public Hearing(s)

A Public Hearing was called to order at 7:05 p.m. to consider amending the 2010-2011 Budget. There were twelve people in attendance.

- a. Consider amending the proposed budget entitled “The Tremonton City Annual Implementation Budget FY 2010-2011 (General Fund, Enterprise Fund(s), Capital Funds, Special Funds, Special Improvement District #1)” for the period commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011

Manager Warnke said that through the course of a year it is necessary to make changes to reflect current conditions. Most of the changes are for grants the City has received, so the revenue and the related expense needs to be budgeted. There are also some unexpected expenses. Money is being moved from a discretionary line item to cover those added costs. There are also some proposed amendments in the Enterprise Funds, or Utility Funds, recognizing revenue that has already been received or is expected to be received. These are to be budgeted to cover unexpected operational costs.

The Staff is currently working on an Impact Fee Study for the Storm Drain Fund, so budget amendments are needed to fund the completion of that Study. Also needed are amendments to take care of costs related to the mowing of the City’s storm drain ponds. The Council recently approved a contract and the cost of the lawn service is being allocated to the Storm Drain Fund. The Storm Drain Fund doesn’t receive enough revenue so it is borrowing from other Funds to pay those expenses. In the near future, the Council will be considering increasing the revenue associated with this Fund through user fees.

There were no public comments. The Public Meeting closed at 7:08 p.m.

A Public Meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. to consider imposing a transient room tax. There were twelve people in attendance.

- b. Consider approving an Ordinance imposing a transient room tax (1% tax on rooms occupied for less than 30 days), modifying Title 6 Finance and Taxation by relocating municipal impact fees from Chapter 6-600 in the Revised Ordinances of Tremonton City Corporation to Chapter 6-900 and modifying Chapter 6-600 for Imposing a Transient Room Tax

Manager Warnke explained that the Council is considering imposing a transient room tax (TRT) on hotels and motels. There is already a transient room tax which the County imposes. Sales tax (roughly 6%) is imposed upon hotel/motel rooms. In addition, counties typically impose a transient room tax (4.25%), and municipalities can impose a transient room tax (1%). The total taxes would amount to approximately one dollar on a hundred dollar room rate.

The reason the City is considering a transient room tax is because there is an impact that transient individuals have on our City. The City does provide service and this is one way those passing through the City can pay. The most pressing and direct service transient individuals receive is ambulance service. Last year the City wrote off \$72,000 in bad debt for ambulance services. Of that \$72,000, 10% was associated with individuals who either lived out of state, or in state but out of the Bear River Valley. The 10% that was written off was attributed to these transient people and contributed close to 50% of the over-all debt. About \$32,000 in bad debt was attributed to individuals who were passing through the City, needed ambulance service, and the City couldn't collect from them. The transient room tax would help off-set that.

There is also a lot of law enforcement service which the City provides. Law enforcement represents about \$1M of the City's \$3M annual General Fund Budget. About 50% of the contacts which the Police Department has are with individuals who live outside the City. Of that 50%, about 20% lives either out of state or out of the Bear River Valley. The transient room tax is a way that the City can re-coup some of the costs for services these individuals are receiving.

There were no public comments. The Public Meeting closed at 7:13 p.m.

Councilmember Deakin commented that all of the hotel/motel owners in the valley were invited, but none were present for the Public Hearing. Councilmember Doutre noted that a Public Notice of the Public Hearing was placed in the newspaper.

6. Proclamation

a. Fair Housing Proclamation - Brent Potter

Tanya Donaldson, this year's Chair of the Brigham/Tremonton Board of Realtors for Fair Housing, thanked the Mayor and Council for partnering with the Board in declaring, for Tremonton, that April 2011 begins a year long celebration of the Fair Housing Laws nationwide.

Mayor Fridal read the Proclamation to those present.

**Motion by Councilmember Reese to authorize Mayor Fridal to billboard the Fair Housing Proclamation.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Doutre, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved

7. Request(s) to be on the agenda:

a. Report on the Youth City Council Leadership Institute – Youth City Council

Brady Stuart reported that he really liked Leadership Conference and learned a lot. One of the workshops he really liked was about dreams. The presenter said that "a dream is a long time want that can be obtained through accomplishing goals." He talked about the seven "D's" of Dreams. 1. You have to have a

dream. 2. Accomplish something daily to accomplish your dream. 3. Discuss it with others so they know what your dream is and they will encourage you, rather than inhibiting you, from accomplishing it. 4. Determination – you have the control over your life to decide each morning whether it will be a good day or a bad day. “Life will beat you to your knees and it will keep you there as long as you let it.” 5. Distractions – Find the peace in a world full of contention. 6. Discipline – A reporter asked a man who runs one hundred mile marathons how he keeps running those marathons. The man replied that he doesn’t run one hundred miles, he runs one mile one hundred times. This kind of discipline is necessary to make our dreams and accomplish our short term goals. 7. Drive – We need to have that kind of motivation and use it to pulse our dreams.

Dallin Spackman also enjoyed the Conference. He also enjoyed the workshop on dreams. One of the things that impressed him was that people should be told about your dreams. Instead of telling them you want to be a pilot someday, you should tell them that you are going to be a pilot someday. Another thing he liked a lot was being able to see other Youth City Councils and how they function.

Jeff Chadwick told the Council that the person who spoke on dreams is only seventeen years old. Just seeing that he could do what he did and be that far really impressed him. The speaker said that he is still working on his dreams. Jeff liked the way the speaker emphasized to the group to not just say that you want to do something, but, rather, that you are going to do or be that thing. He put the responsibility on everyone to do all they could to achieve their goals.

Another thing Jeff enjoyed was to be able to see all the other Councils and how they function. There are some things the Tremonton City Council would like to change and they have plans to be doing that in this next year.

Abby Payne told the Council that she is the Mayor of the Youth City Council. She thanked Mayor Fridal and the citizen’s of Tremonton for supporting the Youth City Council in all they have done this year. In addition to the Conference, the Youth City Council has done a lot of other things. The Conference not only helped them see what other Councils have done, but also what they can do to improve. There were a lot of team building activities, and a scavenger hunt. They became so much closer from the activities.

The Youth City Council has been able to donate \$400 to the Library this past year. They will continue helping the Library throughout the summer with the summer reading program. As a Council, they will decide if they want to continue helping the Library next year or if they want to select another organization and help them. The Council will be helping with the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt at Stevens Park this year. The Youth City Council will also be helping to clean up around the head stones at the Cemetery so everything looks nice for the Memorial Day presentation the City does at the Cemetery. They will also be participating in the Memorial Day Program. Abby thanked the Council again for all they do for the Youth City Council and said that if the City Council ever needs anything to just ask and they will be happy to help in any way they can.

Councilmember Wood thanked the Youth City Council and the leaders for the good job they have done and told them it has been a pleasure working with them.

Cindy Payne, the Youth City Council Advisor commented that they are such good, high quality youth. It has been a pleasure working with them. She said that the scavenger hunt had tasks that were very difficult and that built camaraderie and taught the Council to work together. Even though they were pushed to their limits, the group came together and had a good time.

8. Common Consent - Consent Agenda.

- a. Consideration of approving the February 2011 Financial Statement.

**Motion by Councilmember Deakin to approve the February 2011 Financial Statement.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

9. New Council Business:

- a. Discussion and consideration of approving Resolution No. 11-21 amending the proposed budget entitled "The Tremonton City Annual Implementation Budget FY 2010-2011 (General Fund, Enterprise Fund(s), Capital Funds, Special Funds, Special Improvement District #1)" for the period commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011

**Motion by Councilmember Wood to adopt Resolution No. 11-21.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Reese. Manager Warnke advised the Council that the one thing that is not included in the Resolution is the Library Grant of up to \$2,300. The motion was modified as follows: **Motion by Councilmember Wood to adopt Resolution No. 11-21, including a \$2,300 Grant for the Library from the State of Utah.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Reese. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- b. Discussion and consideration of approving Ordinance No. 11-05 of Tremonton City Corporation imposing a transient room tax, modifying Title 6 Finance and Taxation by relocating municipal impact fees from Chapter 6-600 in the Revised Ordinances of Tremonton City Corporation to Chapter 6-900 and modifying Chapter 6-600 for Imposing a Transient Room Tax

**Motion by Councilmember Holmgren to adopt Resolution No. 11-05 imposing a Transient Room Tax.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Doutre. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - nay, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- c. Biennial review of Moderate Income Housing element of the General Plan (10-9a-408)

Zoning Administrator Bench explained that, per Utah State Code 10-9a-408, the City Council has to review the Moderate Income Housing Plan every two years and report to the State. In 2009, twenty-two affordable apartment or townhome units received Building Permits. In addition, there were a few single homes which were done and recognized as affordable, but that number wasn't available. In 2010, there were permits for fifty-four affordable apartment and townhouse units. Again, the number is unknown for single family units; however, there were a few spec homes. As far as homes as a whole, in 2009 Building Permits were issued for thirty single units, and in 2010 there were twenty-five. Historically, Tremonton averages about sixty per year, and Tremonton hasn't been close to that since 2007 when there were one hundred and twenty-five permits issued for homes. The housing market has really slowed down. So far, to date, Tremonton has 2,097 single family homes and 518 apartment or townhome units. The ratio between the two is about twenty-four percent. The national average is about twenty-five percent, so Tremonton is within the average.

The best estimate of Tremonton City's population, based upon the number of houses, is about 7,500. The official 2010 ten year count from the Census has not been received, but the Census does have Tremonton, right now, at 7002. The State of Utah hasn't updated their figures since 2009, but their figures show 6,832.

A few months ago, Tremonton City Council authorized BRAG (Bear River Area Government) to help Tremonton redo the Moderate Housing Plan in accordance with State Statute, and BRAG is currently in the middle of that process. They are close to having it available for the Planning Commission to work on it. Once that is done, it will come to the City Council.

Councilmember Doutre asked if the City has an idea of how many of the apartments within the City are full. Zoning Administrator Bench said that the City does not have those figures, but historically, especially during these difficult economic times, they are being filled as fast as they are built. The two complexes that were built last year are not full, but people have to qualify for them and be within a specified low income bracket. The rent for those units begins at about \$300 per month and goes up depending upon the amenities, such as a garage.

**Motion by Councilmember Wood that the City Council has reviewed the Moderate Income Housing Report and approves it to be sent to the State of Utah.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Deakin. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- d. Discussion and consideration of Tremonton City billboard located in Elwood Town's limits

Manager Warnke stated that the City has a billboard within the Elwood Town limits. There is an agreement, entered into in the 1980's which states that Tremonton can have that billboard in place so long as Tremonton provides fire protection to Elwood Town free of charge. Now that Tremonton has modified how fire protection is treated, the Council needs to decide how they want to treat

this billboard. There are three options. One would be to lease the space from Elwood. Another would be to try to relocate the billboard to another area. The final one would be to just remove the billboard.

**Motion by Councilmember Holmgren to remove the billboard and look at some other areas where it could be placed, or improve the existing billboards.**

Motion seconded by Councilmember Doutre. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

8. Comments:

a. Administration/City Manager Advice and Consent.

1) Budget Work Session - April 26, 2011

Manager Warnke reported that he has been working with the Budget and will be working with the Department Heads in the near future. None of the funds are balanced at this point. A list of projects will be brought to the Council for their consideration. Inasmuch as the Council will be at the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) Spring Conference next week, the next Budget Work Session will be scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup>. A Public Hearing will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> to consider adopting the Tentative Budget, so the Council will have some work to do on April 26<sup>th</sup> to try to finalize the budget.

Manager Warnke said that one of the things he is trying to identify some of the one-time expenditures or expenditures which occur infrequently. He proposed that the Council use Fund Balance for these types of expenditures rather than trying to overestimate revenues to fund some of these. He would prefer to be conservative on the revenue estimate from the operating budget and then, hopefully, realize a Fund Balance at the end of the year which could be used to fund some of these infrequent expenditures.

The April 26th meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Building.

b. Council Reports:

**Councilmember Holmgren** reported that the museum people were successful in getting a \$50,000 grant from the State of Utah to apply toward the museum. That puts the balance up to a point where they might actually be able to get a museum. Legislators Rhonda Menlove and Pete Knudsen helped them obtain the funds from the State.

**Councilmember Doutre** said that she appreciated the tour of the Public Works facilities. It was very impressive and informative.

**Councilmember Wood** commented on what a good job the Youth City Council

is doing. Cindy Payne is really doing a good job with the youth, and she has some good ideas for next year.

**Councilmember Deakin** reported that he has a commitment on Wednesday evening, so he will join the rest of the Council the next morning.

Councilmember Deakin stated that he received a call from Morgan Tomlinson regarding chickens. Mr. Tomlinson was told that the Planning Commission had tabled the discussion on this issue. He may show up for a City Council meeting.

**Mayor Fridal** thanked the Youth City Council for the great job they do. He also told the Tremonton City Council that they do a terrific job and that he appreciates them. The Tremonton citizens should also appreciate the work they and the City Staff do. It is a great City to be in.

9. Public comments: Comments limited to three minutes. There were no public comments.

10. Adjournment.

**Motion by Councilmember Deakin to adjourn the meeting.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Deakin - aye, Councilmember Dautre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The undersigned duly acting and appointed Recorder for Tremonton City Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes for the City Council Meeting held on the above referenced date. Minutes were prepared by Norene Rawlings.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Darlene S. Hess, Recorder