

**TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 19, 2011**

Members Present:

Diana Doutre

Lyle Holmgren

Jeff Reese

Byron Wood

Roger Fridal, Mayor

Shawn Warnke, City Manager/Deputy Recorder

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

Mayor Fridal called the April 19, 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 Doutre, Holmgren, Reese, and Wood, City Manager/Deputy Recorder Shawn Warnke, Public Works Director Paul Fulgham, and Police Chief David Nance. Payroll Clerk Linsey Nessen was present for the purpose of recording the minutes. Councilmember Deakin and Recorder Darlene S. Hess were excused.

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

The Council reviewed the April 19, 2011 Agenda with the following items being discussed in more detail:

Arbor Day Proclamation – Councilmember Doutre asked if the City is planning anything for Arbor Day this year. City Manager/Deputy Recorder Warnke responded that at least one tree will be planted at North Park to honor Rhoda Haramoto. Jonathan Brier, a friend of the family, is sponsoring the planting. The Women’s Civic League may also be planting a tree. Tremonton has received the Tree City USA designation. Recreation Director Marc Christensen picked up the award today.

Mayor Fridal asked the Council to consider ways to improve the appearance of Main Street. Councilmember Holmgren stated that trees are not able to mature along Main Street because of the sidewalks. Planters can look nice but they require someone to water them, and the plants tend to freeze in the winter.

Financial Statement – Manger Warnke stated that the General Fund is looking positive for March. Revenue is about \$8,000 ahead of expenditures. Revenues usually slow down the last three months of the fiscal year. A lot of the property tax has been received.

The Fire Department Fund is still sluggish. Fire Department revenues are about \$32,000 behind expenditures.

Resolution 11-22 – Public Works Director Fulgham explained that the well which was purchased from Dave Thompson actually sits on property belonging to Troy and Jennifer Arbon. The Arbon's offered to sell the 0.14 acres of property to Tremonton City for \$5,000. The price was based upon what lots in Cedar Ridge are currently selling for. The County has not been contacted about subdividing the piece of property, but, according to the City Engineer, it should be a simple process.

Water tank sizing needs and costs – Director Fulgham provided two spread sheets: “Tremonton City Storage Needs” and “Preliminary Cost Estimate.” A 2 million gallon water storage tank is the largest tank that can be constructed on the piece of property the City purchased for this purpose. The estimated differences in construction cost were outlined: 1 million gallon reservoir - \$596,620; 1.5 million gallon reservoir - \$802,470; and 2 million gallon reservoir - \$1,033,620.

The City currently has 3.1 million gallons of water storage. The Capital Facility Plan projection for 2010 stated that the City is required to have 3.1 million gallons for one-half day of emergency storage and 4.6 million gallons for one day of emergency storage. This means that, if the water source were lost, the City could survive for one-half day with 3.1 million gallons or one day with 4.8 million gallons of storage. For normal usage, the City is pumping water as water is used, so water is coming in and water is going out. These calculations are based upon peak day demands and having 840,000 gallons in reserve for fire protection for the City.

Today, the City would need 3.4 million gallons of water storage for one-half day without a water source, and 6.0 million gallons of storage for one day without a water source. A 2 million gallon tank would give the city 5.1 million gallons of storage which is closer to the 6.0 million gallon figure. A 2 million gallon tank would probably allow the City to go to an off-peak pumping cycle which could save about two-thirds in power cost.

Director Fulgham stated that he will be meeting with Finance Director Roberts on Friday to determine how much the City has in Reserves that could be used toward this project. If the Council decides to build the 2 million gallon tank, it would save money if the dirt were stored on the Thompson property while the tank is being constructed instead of being trucked to another site. This shouldn't be a problem with the Thompsons.

Resolution 11-23 entering into a Service Agreement with Rupp Waste Containers – Director Fulgham explained that Public Works is using two of Rupp's waste containers. They are being used for garbage as well as for the screens which are taken off the Salsnes Filter and from the first part of the sewer treatment process. This waste was being taken to the County Landfill, but the County wanted to increase the rate from \$30 per ton, the rate for regular garbage, to \$75 per ton. It was decided to use the waste for composting instead of taking it to the Landfill. Director Fulgham said that he is looking into buying a dump bed trailer to see how much weight they can handle. It may be more cost effective to buy a trailer that will dump rather than paying the fees to Rupp.

Tax rates – Manager Warnke commented that the City has to declare annually whether or not it is the Council’s intent to raise property taxes. It is anticipated in the Tentative Budget that there will be about \$286,000 of new property growth coming out of the RDA. If for some reason that doesn’t materialize, the City will be in a bind because this is the first full year the City will be paying on the UTOPIA obligation. Right now we are about \$90,000 short of balancing the budget. Manager Warnke’s budget strategy is to underestimate revenue and over estimate expenses. The Staff will be proposing at the next meeting that rates be increased in the Sewer Collection System (currently at \$3.75 per month) and in the Storm Water Utility (currently at \$1.30 per month).

If the Council decides that the property tax rate should be raised, the County Auditor will be notified and then the Council will need to go through the Truth in Taxation process.

Consider bid on a 1991 Ford Pick-up – Councilmember Wood said that he didn’t think the Council should accept the bid of \$76 received for this vehicle. The scrap price on the metal within the vehicle should be \$300 to \$400.

McKinley and North Park request to stencil above storm drain boxes – Director Fulgham explained that the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes learn about the environment. The Bird Refuge approached Director Fulgham asking if the City would allow McKinley and North Park Elementary schools to do stenciling above some of the storm drain boxes in Tremonton. They usually pick storm drains which are in walking distance from the school. The stencil will say something like “Don’t Pollute Drain to Refuge.” Other parts of the County are also doing this stencil project

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

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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#### **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 Public Works Director Fulgham and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Holmgren.

#### **2. Discussion and approval of agenda.**

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

**Motion by Councilmember Wood to approve the April 19, 2011 agenda.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Reese. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

3. Introduction of guests.

No one other than the City Council, Staff, and newspaper representative was present.

4. Proclamation

a. Arbor Day Proclamation

Mayor Fridal read the Arbor Day Proclamation proclaiming April 30, 2011 as Arbor Day.

**Motion by Councilmember Doutre to accept the Arbor Day Proclamation.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye.

5. Request(s) to be on the agenda

a. Report on how the Friends of the Library are doing – Peggy Bradfield

Peggy Bradfield was not present.

6. New Council Business:

a. Approval of the March 2011 Warrant Register.

**Motion by Councilmember Reese to approve the March 2011 Warrant Register.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Wood. Vote: Councilmember Doutre, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

b. Approval of the March 2011 Financial Statement.

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

c. Discussion and consideration of adopting Resolution 11-22 authorizing the Mayor to sign a real estate purchase agreement between Troy Jess and Jennifer W. Arbon and Tremonton City Corporation for 0.14 acres (6,146 square feet) of property on which the Cedar Ridge 1986 Well and Pump House are located

**Motion by Councilmember Wood to adopt Resolution 11-22.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Reese. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- d. Discussion and consideration on water tanks sizing needs and costs now and into the future

Director Fulgham reported that the construction cost per gallon of water would be \$0.41 for a 1 million gallon concrete water storage tank, \$0.39 for a 1.5 million gallon tank, and \$0.38 for a 2 million gallon tank.

It was decided to carry this agenda item forward to the April 26, 2011 City Council Meeting to allow for input from Finance Director Roberts.

- e. Discussion and consideration of adopting Resolution 11-23 entering into a Service Agreement with Rupp Waste Containers, Incorporated increasing fees charged for service due to the rise in landfill fees and rising cost of fuel

**Motion by Councilmember Reese to adopt Resolution 11-23.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- f. Discussion and consideration of the Council's decision to either raise or maintain tax rates (required to notify Box Elder County by May 1st)

**Motion by Councilmember Holmgren to notify Box Elder County that the City does not intend to increase property taxes.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Wood. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- g. Discussion and consideration of approving a bid on a Recreation Vehicle, 1991 Ford Pick-up, (VIN #1FTDF15N3MPA27359 with 110,631mileage)

**Motion by Councilmember Wood that the bid not be accepted and that Director Christensen be given the option to junk the vehicle for the best price.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Doutre. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

- h. Discussion and consideration of allowing the McKinley and North Park Elementary Schools 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes to stencil "DON'T POLLUTE REFUGE DRAINAGE" above storm drain boxes on curbs in the areas around the schools

Director Fulgham said that he thought the stencil should read "Don't Pollute Drain to Refuge."

**Motion by Councilmember Reese to allow McKinley and North Park**

**Elementary Schools to do the lettering above the drain boxes.** Motion seconded by Councilmember Holmgren. Vote: Councilmember Doutre - aye, Councilmember Holmgren - aye, Councilmember Reese - aye, and Councilmember Wood - aye. Motion approved.

7. Comments:

a. Administration/City Manager Advice and Consent.

Manager Warnke reported that there was a kick-off today to the design of the railroad crossing gates on Main Street. UDOT anticipates having the design completed by September, go to bid, and then start the construction in the spring of 2012. With those crossing design improvements, UDOT will be doing some pedestrian and drainage improvements, as well. This will include finishing up the sidewalk. There is also an opportunity for the City, as UDOT works to improve the grades on the curb and gutter, to add some conduit for midblock pedestrian style streetlights to this part of Main Street, between 200 West and 300 West.

Manager Warnke stated that he had the opportunity to speak with Bill Ence, with Union Pacific Railroad, about an idea Councilmember Doutre had of adding a trail in the railroad corridor. Union Pacific is open to exploring that idea. Tremonton has a lot of public spaces which adjoin the railroad corridor: an elementary school, North Park, and Bear River High School. It would be a nice corridor to create a network to other open and green spaces within the City. The railroad corridor may only be used where necessary.

b. Council Reports:

**Councilmember Holmgren** thanked the City for the opportunity to attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns meetings. He felt it was very worthwhile.

**Councilmember Doutre** concurred with Councilmember Holmgren's statement.

**Councilmember Reese** also agreed with Councilmember Holmgren's comment.

**Councilmember Wood** stated that he also felt it was very good. He said he particularly enjoyed Terry Bradshaw's address and wished it could have been videotaped so everyone could enjoy it.

8. Public comments: Comments limited to three minutes.

There were no public comments.

9. Adjournment.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 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