

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL
August 16, 2012**

PRESENT:	Dennis Fife Scott Ericson Ruth Jensen Brian Rex Tyler Vincent	Mayor Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember (<i>excused until 7:54 PM</i>)
ALSO PRESENT:	Ryan Abraham Rick Bosworth Jim Buchanan Mary Kate Christensen Nancy Green Jared Johnson Paul Larsen Bruce Leonard Robert NeVille Tyler Pugsley Jason Roberts Paul Tittensor	Cemetery Sexton Human Resource Coordinator Emergency Services Director City Recorder Senior Center Director Community Development Manager Director of Community & Economic Development City Administrator Street Superintendent Public Works Director Finance Director Police Chief
EXCUSED:	Mark Thompson	Councilmember

Mayor Fife called the meeting to order and excused Councilmember Thompson, who was out of town, and excused Councilmember Vincent for the beginning of the meeting. The Reverence Period was given by Tom Thorpe of the Fifth LDS Ward. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2012 Council meeting was made by Councilmember Jensen, seconded by Councilmember Rex and unanimously approved as distributed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

New Hires, Community Development

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OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

New Hires, Community Development

The Mayor introduced Bryce McConkie, the new Building Inspector, Grade 58. Mr. McConkie started on August 1, 2012.

The Mayor also introduced three new Building Custodians: Jean Causey, Tyler Yates and James Furniss, Grade 23.

CONSENT

Request to Write-off Accounts Due to Bankruptcy or Being Sent to Collections

A list of accounts totaling \$4,253.25 was presented to be removed from the City's billing system due to customer taking out bankruptcy or being sent to collections.

MOTION: A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Rex, seconded by Councilmember Jensen and unanimously carried.

SCHEDULED DELEGATION

Request for Donation of 1972 Fire Pumper

Rob Leifson, Woodruff Fire Chief, stated that Woodruff is a small town, approximately 250 residents, but their Fire Department covers 435 square miles. They do not have a full sized engine. A few years ago a shop started burning and all they had was a mini pumper to fight it. A few years ago a house burned down. The only engine that responded was from Garden City which is 45 minutes away. They would really be able to put the 1972 pumper to use if the Council would agree.

MOTION: A motion to authorize the donation of the 1972 fire pumper truck to Woodruff Fire Department was made by Councilmember Ericson, seconded by Councilmember Jensen and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Restructuring Columbarium Fees

Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Abraham came forward. Mr. Pugsley explained that a new columbarium with 48 niches was recently installed. It cost just over \$20,000. As they reviewed the prices for niches, they realized that the City would not recoup their cost if the pricing was not restructured.

Mr. Abraham stated that with the first columbarium, the top row sold quickly. Patrons are hesitant to purchase the bottom row, or even the third row. The new columbarium is raised six inches to make it more appealing and also to make it easier for snow removal.

The current cost for a niche is \$300. The proposed resolution increases the cost for the top two rows to \$500; row three to \$400; row four would remain at \$300. In order to encourage patrons to purchase the remaining niches in the older columbarium, they would like to sell these for \$200 instead of \$300.

MOTION: Councilmember Rex made a motion to approve the resolution restructuring columbarium fees, seconded by Councilmember Jensen and unanimously carried.

Update on Airport Capital Projects

Mr. Roberts approached the Council and stated that the airport received a grant which was not budgeted. In addition, there was \$311,347 approved in the prior year budget that was not spent. These funds will be used on several capital projects at the airport.

MOTION: Councilmember Ericson made a motion to approve the grant and authorize unused money from last year's budget into Fund Balance in the current budget, seconded by Councilmember Jensen and unanimously carried.

Discussion on the Youth Empowerment Coordinator Position

Mayor Fife stated that there has been concern from some councilmembers about filling this position. The fulltime position was included in the 2012-13 budget with a 3-2 vote, so the position has been posted. There were 39 applicants. In order to change this, one of the councilmembers that voted for it would have

to rescind the vote and every member that was in attendance at the original vote would have to be present.

Councilmember Ericson said everyone agrees the City should play some role in assisting with youth services. This is a good time to look at what opportunities are available to put more money into programs in the community. He has been on The United Way of Northern Utah Board for the past few years. They do not provide many programs; they provide money to other non-profits and groups that do direct services to youth, food banks, etc. The Mayor and Councilmember Ericson met with representatives from The United Way and talked about some options. They want to put together a youth summit where they would bring in any groups dealing with youth and talk about what the needs are, who is providing the services, and what services are needed that are not being provided. He felt that now is the time to look at all these options.

Mayor Fife invited Dr. Lloyd, Chair of the Youth Empowerment Team (YET) Executive Committee, and Gary Dixon, Vice-Chair, to the table. He has been a volunteer for ten years with the Communities That Care (CTC) Program.

Dr. Lloyd said YET is the vehicle that employs the CTC system for social change. The CTC is a cutting edge program based on decades of scientific research to prevent risk behaviors in youth and adolescences. It uses a coalition of agencies which run evidence based programs that have been proven to prevent risk behaviors and save money in the end. Additionally, it promotes pro-social behavior. The CTC model and its positive preventative effects on communities have been well documented in respective medical journals. The community is fortunate to have a cutting edge program of this caliber for the youth. It is the very nature of the program being evidence based, with accountability and continual monitoring, that lured many to volunteer and be a part of this effort.

Now the program is in jeopardy, being labeled as too expensive and not accomplishing anything. Decades of monitoring communities running the CTC programs have clearly shown that if there is not a coordinator, the whole program will fail and collapse.

Dr. Lloyd agreed that funds are an issue and have been since the beginning. Having agencies such as The United Way and grants is welcomed. However, this already happened when the program first started ten years ago. The agencies came together and determined where the funds should be used, and they were not always programs that directly affected risk behaviors in adolescents. The CTC Programs are tested and effective programs and have been proven to work.

Another concern of Dr. Lloyd's is that the City may turn it over to The United Way, rather than the City helping to distribute the funds.

Councilmember Ericson explained that The United Way goes through an RFP process, so they could specify that they are looking for a program that has a scientific based program, has to address certain risk factors, etc.

Councilmember Ericson added that as a councilmember, his concern is that 70-75% of the YET budget goes to salaries and benefits and only 25-30% for programming that has gone directly to the youth. He agreed that having a director is important, but it is a concern that so much of the funds go to an employee rather than directly to a youth program. Dr. Lloyd explained that the CTC does not run programs, the agencies do. It is their expectations that they will implement and fund the programs. The Coordinator's job is to assist with that – to coordinate the training, facilitation, the monitoring as well as continue the studies to make sure the needs are being met. If the City chooses to put money into agencies rather than hire a coordinator, the City will lose money. The Coordinator works with all the agencies to bring in more funds through grants and foundations. The Coordinator can bring in millions of dollars into the community. It is well worth the salary to do so.

Councilmember Ericson said he does not feel it is doing what it is fully supposed to be doing – bringing in additional grants and coordinating so there is a collaborative effort. That has been the hope for several years, but it has not been as successful as hoped.

Councilmember Rex said the opinion of his five children that have gone to Box Elder is that the We Do It Right Program is not positive. Dr. Lloyd stated that the data proves that alcoholism and alcohol use has dropped in the high school in the period of time this program has been in effect. Councilmember Rex felt that the certainty put on these Sharp surveys is unfounded. Mayor Fife stated that Councilmember Thompson's children have a completely different opinion about this program.

Councilmember Ericson said all councilmembers want the youth to have better opportunities and stay out of dangerous situations, there are just different opinions on how to accomplish that goal.

There was further discussion on how to best utilize The United Way and whether to hire another Coordinator. It was determined that the City will ask The United Way to meet with the various organizations involved with the youth. The Mayor felt that the best option is to have The United Way run the Volunteer Center and then the Coordinator can concentrate on what the program is intended for.

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Update on Public Works Projects

Mr. Pugsley and Mr. NeVille came forward and described the following Public Works Projects:

- ◆ They tried three different chip seal products: Type A chip; Type C chip; U-light, a synthetic rock, to see which product works the best. They were able to complete these projects at half the cost of an overlay project. This was done on a portion of 500 West, 700 South, portions of 300 West, a portion of 400 West, Forest Street, the south side of the Cemetery and 1000 South up to the Golf Course.
- ◆ The new 450 West road off of SR-13 is almost complete.
- ◆ Sidewalk will soon be installed along SR-13.
- ◆ Sports complex
 - Grading on all the soccer fields has been completed.
 - Irrigation lines have been installed.
 - A contractor has been hauling in the subgrade for the future parking lot and a section of the roadway between the two big fields.
 - Sod will be laid by the end of September.
 - Cost estimates are being done for the sewer line for restrooms.
 - Conduit for power has been installed.
- ◆ The Fishburn extension bid has been awarded and will start soon.
- ◆ The new compost facility project has been awarded.
- ◆ The Cherie Circle waterline replacement project has also been awarded.
- ◆ Roads throughout the cemetery will be seal coated.
- ◆ The Flat Bottom well house will go out to bid next week.

Mr. Pugsley announced that Brady Theurer recently took on the added responsibility of supervising the Parks Department.

A motion to adjourn to a closed session was made by Councilmember Jensen, seconded by Councilmember Rex and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 8:22 PM. The Council returned to an open session at 9:32 PM and adjourned.