

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012

Presiding: Mayor Glenn W. Dalling
Meeting Convened at 6:30 p.m.
Prayer: Vaun Waddell
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Dalling; Sharon L. Bell, Clerk; Marcie A. Smith, Treasurer; Councilmembers Bruce King, Lamont Merrill, Vaun Waddell and Burch Drake; Steve Hawkes, Russell Thurston, Janet Harris, Tom Fleming and David Ogden, Planning & Zoning Commission; Jim Mullen and Jason Adams of Keller Associates; Ted Hendricks, The Development Company; and Harold L. Harris. Councilmember Waddell was excused for the last part of the meeting.

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2012. Each councilmember had a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. It was moved by Councilmember King and seconded by Councilmember Drake to accept said minutes; motion carried.

EAST PARKWAY CORRIDOR: The mayor introduced Jim Mullen and Jason Adams of Keller Associates. Mr. Mullen presented some background information on the East Parkway Corridor, which Keller identified in the Madison County transportation plan in 2004. The major priority was to reduce future traffic on 2nd East in Rexburg. They have had multiple meetings with the county to hammer out the location. He presented a map with three alternatives on it and a discussion was had on the pros and cons of each. His recommendation is alternative C. The last recommendation from the county was alternative A.

The purpose of the East Parkway Corridor is to set aside land so that when the population growth indicates that a new road is needed, the land for it will already be set aside. This is long-range planning. It probably will not be built for 20-30 years. Funding was discussed. Mr. Mullen said about 93% would be paid for by federal funding and then Rexburg, Madison County and Sugar City would pay 7% to assist with portions within their jurisdiction.

The mayor asked the Planning and Zoning Commission to make a decision at their next meeting and the council will do the same.

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: P&Z Chairman Steve Hawkes addressed the council.

P&Z recommendation on East Parkway Corridor: Steve said initially P&Z recommended Plan B with an adjustment along the west side of the canal. They will look at the alternatives again and report to the council.

Sign ordinance: A draft of the 20 April 2012 version of the sign ordinance was presented to the council in their packets. P&Z will discuss it next week and will report back to the council. The next step is to send it to the attorney for approval.

Public hearings set:

May 3 at 7 p.m. for Brad's Sinclair expansion; and
May 3 at 7:15 p.m. regarding private cemeteries in city and impact area.

The mayor entertained a motion to go into executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7:30 p.m. It was moved by Councilmember King and seconded by Councilmember Waddell pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(c) to move into executive session for deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property. The mayor called for a roll call vote:

Those voting aye: Councilmembers King, Merrill, Waddell and Drake

Those voting nay: None

Thereupon, the mayor declared the motion passed.

8:20 p.m. The executive session ended. No decisions were made and there was no deliberation.

Councilmember Waddell was excused.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

Discussion on chickens: Bruce reported receiving an e-mail inquiring about the city's ruling on roosters, to which he replied that the city doesn't have an ordinance for chickens. Bruce accepted the assignment to work on an animal ordinance.

COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL:

International Fire Code, 2009 Edition: On March 22, 2012, a motion was made to move forward as a city to adopt a Sugar City fire code as presented by Dale Pickering from Madison County Fire District. Since then, Lamont has further studied the draft ordinance that was presented to the city on February 9, 2012, by Inspector Dale Pickering. The ordinance as it was drafted obligates the city to issue permits, tags, inspections, etc., even though Mr. Pickering said the fire department would do them. The city feels we do not have the means to do all the record keeping involved. Lamont said a great number of items in the draft are chapters directly out of the International Building Code, which the city has adopted.

Ranking of the health of Madison County: The mayor reported that he had received word that the State Health Department had ranked Madison County as the number one county in the state for good health conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER WADDELL: No report.

COUNCILMEMBER DRAKE:

Arbor Day celebration: Burch said the Arbor Day celebration is tomorrow.

Digger Drive project: This project is ready to go out for bid.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS:

Proposed sign in front of city building: The mayor asked Burch to design a sign in front of city hall. It would be patterned after the signs in the parks.

Lot by Mayors' Park: There are still problems with the title on the city lot by Mayors' Park.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Signed: _____
Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

Attested: _____
Sharon L. Bell, Clerk