

WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON MARCH 7, 2006

The West Wendover City Council met for a regular meeting on March 7, 2006. The meeting was held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Mayor Thaut presided.

Council Members Present: Emily Carter, Jimmy Carter, Johnny Gorum, Mike Miera and Jamey Reilly

Others Present: Sandy Kelsey, Judy Ledo, Dixie Melville, Devan Croasmun, David Wiskerchen, Ron Supp, Jared Carter, Brady Pehrson, Corinne Copelan, Gary Lewis, Laura Grant, Joan Rainey, Kelly Stratton, Toni Corona, Denise Lisk, Brett Shelton, Shirley Shelton, Michelle Blake, Cassie Fratto, Claude Fratto, Brenda Flinders, Leon Flinders, Nancy Green, Beverly Goheen, Roy Briggs, Jeff Knudtson, Bryce Kimber, Aleta Kimber, Gary Corona, Adella Harding, Chris Melville and Anna Bartlome

The following proceedings were had.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
Mayor Thaut called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present and excused are noted above.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Mayor Thaut led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:**
None offered or received.
4. ***APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**
Council Member Reilly explained the change under New Business item a, which was filling the vacancy of City Council Member it should state that the Mayor voted nay. Council Member Reilly made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 7, 2006 with the change as noted above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Miera and passed unanimously.
5. **APPOINTMENT OF OFFICE**
***Appointment by Mayor to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of the Building Official Under City Code 1-22-3 and Decision of the City Council to Consent and Ratify Such Appointment**
Mayor Thaut appointed Jeff Knudtson in the position of Building Official. Council Member Miera made the motion to consent and ratify the appointment of Jeff Knudtson in the position of Building Official. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly and passed unanimously.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
***a. Discussion and Decision Whether to Proceed with the West Wendover Government Complex**
Mayor Thaut stated that public office is not easy and cannot always make everyone happy. She apologized to the Council if they felt blindsided by the project but it was time to move on.

Leon Flinders explained that after the last meeting he was asked to look deeper at the financial impact of this project as well as how the purchase of the 81 acres would affect the City. Council Member Reilly stated that she was pleased with the information that was provided and it gave her a better rounded picture of the project. Council Member Miera would like to thank Leon Flinders for his work and it was nice to see the whole picture. Council Member J. Carter stated that one of his major concerns was the factor of unity and would like to know if the Department Heads would stand with them. All the Department Heads explained that as long as services were not cut they would work together to get the project accomplished. Council Member E. Carter stated that she has been very impressed with the numbers that have been provided and all of the avenues that have been looked at in order to determine if this is the right course of action to take. Council Member Gorum explained that he is thankful for the numbers that have been provided and in doing a survey of the citizens the majority are in favor of the project.

General discussion was had regarding showing pride in the community that if adults show pride in their community the children will also, how the new complex would improve the image of the community, and the new complex will show new businesses that the City is moving forward. Mayor Thaut explained that this would be a legacy that will be left behind for generations and the public must stay involved with the process.

Council Member Miera made the motion to proceed with the West Wendover Government complex. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members E. Carter, J. Carter, Gorum, Miera and Reilly all voting aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Council Member J. Carter wanted to thank everyone here, and that if the public had not been involved probably would not have happened. Council Member Gorum stated that he did a lot of listening at the last meeting and then decided what the citizens wanted. Chris Melville thanked everyone. Mayor Thaut stated that it was not an easy process.

***b. Discussion and Decision Regarding Waving of the Uncollected Franchise Fee by Wendover Gas Company dba Propane of Wendover and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that Nancy Green is still responding to the letter and would ask that this be forwarded to the next meeting. Council Member Miera made the motion to forward this item to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

***c. Discussion and Possible Decision of the Council to Contribute Funds from the 1% Fund to the West Wendover Recreation District for the Purchase of Necessary Equipment**

Gary Lewis explained that that he had spoken to Reid Goodliffe and asked if there was any equipment that the golf course could use or that was needed to improve the playability of the course. Gary explained that there were two pieces of equipment with the approximate cost of \$25,000.00, asked Peppermill owners for ½ the funds and the 1% fund donated the other half. The equipment had not been asked for before and could get by without it but would make the course better and have more repeat business. Council Member Miera made the motion to approve the decision of the 1% committee to contribute the \$12,500.00 to the golf Course. Council Member Reilly disclosed that she works for the Recreation District but this would not personally financially benefit her. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gorum and passed unanimously.

***d. Discussion and Decision Regarding Change of Location of Wendover Clinic Annex (Former I.H.C. Women's Clinic) and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Bryce Kimber explained that there were some issues with easements if the building was located where first proposed. General discussion was had regarding locating the building southwest corner of the property, and how parking would be affected. Council Member Miera made the motion to change the location of the Wendover Clinic Annex (Former I.H.C.

Women's Clinic) to the southwest corner of the property. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

***e. Discussion and Decision Regarding a Resort Hotel Non-Restricted Gaming License Ordinance and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that letters of support from all the casinos, and would like some guidance on whether to proceed with an ordinance or not. General discussion was had regarding whether to proceed with the ordinance and some of the requirements that may be required, whether a resort could be phased in, and have a workshop with the Council and Casinos to discuss some requirements. Council Member Miera made the motion to set up a workshop and move forward with the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly and passed unanimously.

***f. Discussion and Decision to Approve and Authorize the Mayor to Execute All Documents for the Electronic Point of Sale and Online Bill Pay with Electronic Clearing House Inc.**

Chris Melville explained that the agreement has been reviewed by legal counsel. Council Member Reilly made the motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute all documents for the electronic point of sale and online bill pay with Electronic Clearing House Inc. The motion was seconded by Council Member Miera and passed unanimously.

***g. Discussion and Decision to Provide Support to West Wendover High School with Regard to Safe Schools Program**

Chris Melville stated that the City has been asked to help with some of the current issues going on at the school. Chris read a letter from Dr. Craig Hill, which stated that everyone has the right to a safe school, those students who act in an aggressive manner need to understand the consequences of their actions. Aggressive or violent behavior will not be tolerated, school is a place to learn and grow. There is a zero tolerance for aggressive or violent tendencies at the school and the police will be notified when behaviors occur that would be considered violations of the law anywhere else.

General discussion was had regarding what the City's potential contribution could be, including an anonymous phone line, cards and marketing campaign to discuss who to contact for help. The cost of the cards would be \$784.00 for 2,000 cards. General discussion was had regarding how to make the students feel comfortable and safe at school, and if the school district would get involved. Council Member Miera made the motion to authorize \$1,000.00 to the West Wendover High School with regard to safe school program. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly. Council Member Miera amended his motion to include distribution to the 5th and 6th grade classes also. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly and passed unanimously.

***h. Discussion and Decision with Regard to the Proposed Change in the State Boundary (Annexation) Wendover Utah and West Wendover Nevada Process**

Chris Melville asked that this be tabled until Wendover Utah has completed their process and not to take any action until then. Mayor Brett Shelton explained that they will be holding a Public Hearing within 60 days to find funds to incorporate the proposal. Council Member Miera made the motion to table the item. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly and passed unanimously.

7. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Fire Chief – Jeff Knudtson stated he had nothing to add to memo, which stated that there is still a massive amount of inspection going on. The Peppermill Event Center is coming along fast, the roof is almost complete and the project should be completed by early summer. The Montego Bay Hotel third phase is started and moving along, this phase includes a swimming area, showers, sauna, and hair salon. V & M Homes is working on the two new homes on Fairway View Drive. The memo further stated that Jeff had attended a DOE meeting in Las Vegas and is waiting for the grant forms to be sent so they know what this year's scope and priority will be.

Police Chief – Ron Supp stated that has been working a lot with the school, there is a small amount of students causing problems. There are currently two officers at POST and advertising for another officer. Ron stated that would look into forming a swat team to handle

more intense issues. There had been a public forum to discuss child abuse a couple of weeks ago and a domestic violence meeting will be forthcoming. Ron explained that secret witness will be a dual purpose line to be used for the safe schools as well as anyone else who calls to report a crime anonymously, and the possibility of offering a reward should be considered.

City Clerk/Records Officer – Nothing.

Chief Financial Officer – Nothing.

Public Works Director – Bryce Kimber added to his memo that he would be sending 3 individuals to Nevada Rural Water Conference on Monday March 13, 2006. The Florence Way project will begin March 13th through May 20th. The memo stated that curb, gutter and sidewalk along Pueblo Boulevard is about finished and clean up is starting. There had been a water leak on Humboldt Circle. The garbage has slowed down due to a slow down in the construction.

City Manager – Chris Melville added to his memo that the land purchase for the 81 acres the City will have the title in hand by July 15th. The memo stated that for the Airport Right of Way the City has completed the Level 3 Cultural Survey and forwarded that to the Air Force and the BLM. The work along Pueblo Boulevard will be completed by April 10th. Shelton's will begin working on Florence Way as soon as Pueblo Boulevard is completed. The Leppy Hills Trails project is waiting for the BLM to finish the work on the right of way approval. The memo further stated that Chris would be attending the CDBG presentation in Carson City on March 14th for the Wendover Boulevard Pedestrian Enhancement Project. The City will be having a surplus auction; bids will be due by April 11th and opened on April 12th. Kerrie Supanich and Linda Brown will be attending Nevada Rural Roundup on April 5-7 in Carson City. Wells Rural Electric Company is underway with installation of fiber optic from their local office over to Central Utah Telephone facility in Wendover Utah. The paver bricks for Wendover Will have been installed and any interested individuals can still purchase additional bricks and medallions. Anyone interested in leading or participating in the new WWHS Booster Club should contact Gene Ghiggia at the High School.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Gorum thanked the citizens for helping him and the Council out with making the decision on the complex.

Council Member E. Carter also wished to thank everyone.

Council Member J. Carter stated that he had been in discussion with Mesquite and came across their strategic plan, and there are a lot of neat ideas in it.

Council Member Miera also wished to thank the citizens, and is nice to have community support.

Council Member Reilly wished to thank everyone for attending. Council Member Reilly stated that the letters had gone out for the 21st Century Program.

Mayor Thaut also wished to thank everyone for staying interested in the complex. Mayor Thaut also sent well wishes to Mike Gunter who severely broke his leg.

9. *APPROVAL OF THE CLAIMS:

Council Member Miera made the motion to approve the claims for March 7, 2006 and the February Hand Checks. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

10. *NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting date is a special meeting on March 20, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. at the West Wendover City Offices, Conference Room. There will be a joint meeting with the Recreation District on March 21, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. and a regular meeting on March 21, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. with both meetings being held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Council Member E. Carter made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reilly and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome
City Clerk/Records Officer