



## CITY OF WEST WENDOVER

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### WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2009

The West Wendover City Council met for a regular meeting on April 21, 2009. The meeting was held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Mayor Andersen presided.

Council Members Present: Bryant Blake, Roy Briggs, Emily Carter, Johnny Gorum and Alan Rowley II

Others Present: Corinne Copelan, Bryce Kimber, Ron Supp, Jeff Knudtson, Dixie Melville, Scott Weyland, Sondra Schmidt, Aleta Kimber, Heidi Lewis, Michelle Blake, Chris Melville and Anna Bartlome

The following proceedings were had.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present and excused are noted above.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Andersen 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 Rowley II had some changes to the minutes of April 7, 2009.

Under New Business the changes are as follows:

Item a: *“Frank Sharp explained that he runs the local thrift store, where some items are resold and some are donated.”*

Under Public Hearing the changes are as follows:

*“Chris explained that there are currently three projects, which include sidewalk from the Library to the Red Garter, a generator for reuse, and an x-ray machine for the clinic.”*

*“Chris explained that the next public hearing would be on April 21, 2009 and the decision would be on May 5, 2009.”*

Under Department Updates the changes are as follows:

Public Works Director: *“The memo further stated that Bryce attended an RTC meeting where they approved the monies for the Gene L. Jones Way Phase II Project.”*

City Manager: *“The Cinco de Mayo celebration is on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, with activities at Scobie Park.”*

Council Member Carter made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 7, 2009 with the changes as noted above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gorum and passed unanimously.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**\*a. Discussion and Decision to Authorize the City Manager to Research and Prepare for Possible Code Amendments to the West Wendover City Code Concerning Renewable Energy Uses In Certain Commercial Zones Under Appropriate Conditional Use Parameters and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that he would like to look at making changes to the existing code to make adjustments for wind turbine and solar uses. Chris stated that this change would apply to some residential areas but mostly commercial districts (C-2 and C-3 zones). Chris explained that under the existing code these types of uses could be done on manufactured zones only. Chris stated that the change would allow this type of development on other commercial zones with a conditional use parameter in place to get input from surrounding property owners. Chris explained that he is currently working with a property owner on a 1.5 to a 3 mega watt solar farm. Council Member Carter made the motion to authorize the City Manager to research and prepare for possible code amendments to the West Wendover City Code concerning renewable energy uses in certain commercial zones under appropriate conditional use parameters. The motion was seconded by Council Member Blake and passed unanimously.

**\*b. Discussion and Decision Regarding Possible Donation to City of Wendover Utah for Welcome Sign and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

General discussion was had regarding what the signs says and has on it, and recommending a special fund be set up to accept donations for the sign. Council Member Briggs made the motion to contribute \$500.00 to the City of Wendover Utah for the Welcome Sign and suggest possible putting money into fund to allow others to participate. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gorum and passed unanimously.

**\*c. Discussion and Decision Regarding Donation to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Michelle Blake explained that this is the last year of the grant, which was a five year grant. Michelle explained that the school is reapplying for the grant and need to show community partners. Michelle stated that they have approached the REC District for a donation and some of the casinos have donated. It was explained that any funds donated would not need to be expended before July 1<sup>st</sup> or if the grant was not received. Council Member Gorum made the motion to donate to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program the amount of \$690.00 to be paid out after July 1<sup>st</sup>. Council Member Blake disclosed that he would abstain on the vote due to Michelle Blake being his wife. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carter and passed with Council Member Blake abstaining.

**\*d. Discussion and Decision to Accept or Reject the Bids for the Gene L. Jones Way Project Phase II and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Bryce Kimber recommended awarding the bid to Staker Parson Companies with a bid amount of \$356,533.00. Discussion was had regarding the potential of going to the engineer's estimate of \$450,000.00 to add the remaining curb on the inside of Gene L. Jones Way. Council Member Gorum made the motion to award as the low bidder to Staker Parson Companies in the amount of \$356,533.00 for the Gene L. Jones Way Project Phase II and to authorize staff to negotiate any additional change orders up to a total of \$450,000.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carter and passed unanimously.

**\*e. Discussion and Decision for Authorization to Submit C.O.P.S. Grant and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Ron Supp explained that the grant had already been submitted and if the Council chooses to not authorize the grant would then contact them and withdraw it. Ron explained that the grant would be for three positions and lasts for three years. It was further explained that the grant covers base wages with the City covering anything over and above that. Council Member Gorum made the motion to authorize the submittal of the C.O.P.S. Grant. The motion was seconded by Council Member Blake and passed unanimously.

**\*f. Discussion and Decision for Authorization to Accept Grant from Elko Combined Narcotics Unit for the Purchase of a Narcotics Dog and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Ron Supp explained that the City would have to absorb the cost of the care of the dog. Council Member Carter made the motion to accept the grant from the Elko Combined Narcotics Unit for the purchase of a narcotics dog. The motion was seconded by Council Member Blake and passed unanimously.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING**

1) **NOTICE**, The City of West Wendover will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering the loan/grant application filed with the USDA Rural Development utilities/communities programs. **The hearing will be set for Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the West Wendover Library.** All persons may attend and be heard. Prior to the meeting, written comments may be filed with the West Wendover City Clerk and will be considered at the hearing.

The **City of West Wendover, Nevada** has filed a loan/grant application with the USDA-Rural Development utilities/communities programs, for the purpose of financing the following potential projects:

Waste Water Reclamation Facility Upgrade	\$11,826,700
Animal Shelter	\$ 350,000
City Center Outdoor Amphitheater/Community Center	\$ 5,439,975
Fire Station Facility	\$ 2,860,000
Aerial Platform Class 1 Fire Engine	\$ 750,000
Medical Facility	\$ 5,103,900
Landfill Cells	\$ 2,000,000

These projects are to meet the present and future needs of the **City of West Wendover** and related demands of the (service area). The service area is described as the legal boundary of the City of West Wendover located in and including Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 and 18 of Township 33N., Range 70E., M.D.B.&M.

The total estimated cost of each project is shown above which includes estimates of the projected total loan/grant amounts. This matter will be scheduled for public discussion and comments at the City Council meeting on April 21, 2009 at the Pilot Peak Room, West Wendover Library, located at 590 Camper Drive, West Wendover, Nevada.

Questions concerning these projects can be directed to Chris Melville, City Manager at (775) 664-3081.

Mayor Andersen closed the regular portion of the meeting and opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Chris Melville explained that these are potential projects based upon the stimulus, current and next omnibus budget. Chris explained that the projects listed have been identified as potential projects by USDA. The only one submitted at this time is the Waste Water Reclamation Facility Upgrade. Corinne Copelan asked about the landfill cells. Chris explained that the landfill cells are for solid waste and that covers the cost of construction of those cells.

There being no further public comment Mayor Andersen closed the public hearing portion of the meeting and opened the regular portion of the meeting.

**\*Discussion and Decision to Authorize the City Manager to Prepare and the Mayor to Execute Applications to USDA-RD for Appropriate Projects Listed as Part of the Public**

**Hearing Process Herein and as Part of the City's Adopted Five Year Capital Improvement Program and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Council Member Gorum made the motion to authorize the City Manager to prepare and the Mayor to execute applications to USDA-RD for appropriate projects listed as part of the public hearing process herein and as part of the City's adopted Five Year Capital Improvement Program. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

Agenda taken out of order, Communications heard next, see below.

**2) NOTICE**, The City of West Wendover will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering which projects to pursue funding through the Nevada Community Development Block Grant Program Special Funding Cycle 2009. **The hearing will be set for Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 7:45 p.m. at the West Wendover Library.** All persons may attend and be heard. Prior to the meeting, written comments may be filed with the West Wendover City Clerk and will be considered at the hearing.

The Community Development Block Grant Program, (CDBG) is a Federally Funded Program that is administered by the State of Nevada. The national objectives of this program are:

1. To benefit the low and moderate-income persons.
2. To aid in the prevention of and elimination of slums or blight.
3. To meet the Community Developments needs of having a particular urgency when other sources of funding are not available.

In addition, it is the State's goal to give extra consideration to projects addressing documented public health or safety needs or needs identified through a Community Planning Process.

It is anticipated that no displacement of persons will occur as a direct result of these projects: Project Descriptions, Housing Needs Statement, CDBG Requirements, and Past CDBG Project Grant Performance is on file at the City offices and is available for public inspection during normal business hours, from March 26, 2009 to April 21, 2009.

The City of West Wendover does not discriminate on the handicapped status in the admission of access to, treatment, employment or activities in it's federally assisted programs.

Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting should notify the City Clerks Office at 775-664-3081 or at 801 Alpine Street, West Wendover, Nevada, 89883.

Mayor Andersen closed the regular meeting and opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Chris Melville explained that this is the second hearing and a decision would be on May 5, 2009. Chris stated that there are several projects that are being looked at, which include a digital x-ray machine for clinic, emergency generator for waste water plant and lab, and sidewalk and street improvements on Camper Drive. Chris explained that when the digital x-ray machine was first discussed with the management of the clinic they had been in support of it. Chris stated that he had been notified by a staff member at Nevada Rural Health Center in Carson City that they do not want the digital x-ray machine because they want to purchase the machines at the same time for all of the clinics. Chris explained that he had a meeting with the local clinic to see if they would use the x-ray machine if it was selected as the project. Heidi Lewis stated that at the last Resource Council meeting Nevada Rural Health Centers

had stated that they were interested in the machine but then a few days later they were not interested. Corinne Copelan stated that the person that who explained that Nevada Rural Health Centers did not want the machine may not be aware of the need for this machine and how far away this clinic is from other places that could do x-rays.

There being no further public comment Mayor Andersen closed the public hearing portion of the meeting and opened the regular portion of the meeting.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Gorum explained that the REC District is moving forward on their new center. Council Member Gorum had made a suggestion to the REC District about putting up a sign saying future site of new REC Center.

Council Member Carter explained that she would be attending the POOL/PACT conference.

Chris Melville explained that the diabetes walk would be April 25<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 a.m. and the Cinco de Mayo celebration would be on May 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at noon. Chris further explained that the contractors would be wrapped up with the City Hall Complex on June 19<sup>th</sup> with a temporary occupancy and then they will do their final punch list items. The dedication and open house would be on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Agenda taken back in order, second Public Hearing heard next, see above.

**8. \*APPROVAL OF THE CLAIMS:**

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve the claims for April 21, 2009. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carter and passed unanimously.

**9. \*NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting date is a regular meeting on May 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Council Member Carter made the motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome  
City Clerk/Records Officer