

June W. Black	Proposed West Annex Resident
Vera S. Hilton	Proposed West Annex Resident
Helen Warner	Proposed West Annex Resident
Bill Aildredge	Proposed West Annex Businessman
Willard R. Fullmer	Proposed West Annex Resident
Norma R. Fullmer	Proposed West Annex Resident
David W. Crofton	Proposed West Annex Resident
Ralph M. Ross	Proposed West Annex Resident
Sherman Jones	Proposed West Annex Resident
Calvin Dutson	Proposed West Annex Businessman
Dennis Johnson	Proposed West Annex Resident
Richard Gardner	City Resident
Willis Morrison	City Resident
Devon Peterson	Proposed West Annex Businessman
Chuck Stewart	County Deputy Sheriff
Jim Fletcher	KNAK Radio
Robert Fletcher	KNAK Radio

and others were present who did not sign the roll.

Council Member Craig Greathouse opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. He stated that Lee Roy Stephenson had asked that a public meeting be held for the purpose of presenting available information regarding the Delta North West Annexation.

The following comments and questions were presented at the public meeting by the persons named:

Lee Roy Stephenson: All land owners of the area would like to have all of the facts about the annexation out in the open so we can be aware what might happen in the near future.

Dave Crofton: Why is this annexation proposed and where do the proposed boundaries lie?

Councilman Craig Greathouse: The City would like to have all water services located within the Delta City limits.

City Manager Jim Allan: There are many important City services being offered to this area.

Reed Skidmore: I understand that in 1944 the City was given a federal grant for water because the Lyman Row residents signed up for the water. No one can get a hook-up if they build, but those who have the city water get charged double. Why should we want to be annexed?

Councilman Craig Greathouse: We want all services under Delta City. No hook-ups will be given outside of the City limits. The Delta City residents will be considered first.

June Black: I've lived on Lyman Row longer than almost everyone there. In 1944 a committee of Lyman Row residents came up with two proposals: (1) Lyman Row residents pay to have the water line installed, or (2) Delta City would pay to have the water line installed and the Lyman Row residents pay double for their water until the line is paid for. The Lyman Row residents agreed to collect the money and put the line in, but Delta City changed their mind and decided to have the water line installed themselves. The Lyman Row residents would then pay doubled water rates until the line was paid for. We never got the reduction in our rates and it has been paid for for a long time. We are spending our money in Delta City. As far as we are concerned the doubled water rates are the same as paying taxes. I have my own water system that I could hook onto, but I wanted to be loyal because the City did put a hydrant in. I have read the papers and I can see no advantage to annexing into Delta City. This is a new group of Council Members than those who made us the promises, but I suggest that records be kept this time.

City Manager Jim Allan: We have grievance of what has gone on in the past. The intent of the City Council at this time is to improve the City and contribute the services to the proposed annexation area.

Dave Crofton: We are already receiving police protection. I tried to call the City Police Department a while back at about 10:00 at night and no one would answer. Mr. Crofton asked Chuck Stewart, Millard County Deputy Sheriff who was present at the meeting, how many of the police officers were patrolling this side of the county.

Deputy Chuck Stewart: There is at least one officer on each side at all times. We check Lyman Row and shine our lights on both sides of the street. We check the doors of the businesses.

DeVon Peterson: I have business in the same area. I have received good police protection from both the City and the County and I appreciate the service being furnished by both departments.

A question was raised regarding fire protection.

City Manager Jim Allan: Sixty-one percent of the fires occurred in the County last year. The County funds less than 50% of the fire department's operation and maintenance.

Lee Roy Stephenson: Will we have to give water rights to the City for our area being annexed?

City Attorney Warren Peterson: The Council can waive the water dedication requirement, which in this case I think they would. The City water is already provided to the majority of the residents in the proposed annexation. In that case, there will be no additional fee for the residents already hooked to the City water. Those making additional hook-ups will be charged the standard connection fee.

Lee Roy Stephenson: Will we have to pay the franchise tax?

Councilman Craig Greathouse: Yes. The tax is 4% of the gross cost of the utilities.

Lee Roy Stephenson: The taxes on our automobiles and property will increase.

Reed Skidmore: From what I understand IPA funded \$120,000 to the fire department, plus what the County funded.

City Manager Jim Allan: Intermountain Power Agency is funding a total of \$200,000 for the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Bryce Ashby: IPA funded a fire pumper truck for \$120,000, which they specified could not be used outside of Delta City. The County was \$5,000 short of their portion of funding the fire department for this year.

Dave Crofton: Our property would be reassessed if we were annexed into the City. I did some comparisons of assessments for homes on Lyman Row opposed to those within the City. The homes of the same type were assessed at a higher value in the City than on Lyman Row.

City Attorney Warren Peterson: The assessment would increase by the amount of the City mill levy. The property is assessed by the Millard County Assessor based on the cash value of the property. The assessed value would not increase unless the cash value of the property increased.

Lee Roy Stephenson: We would also have to pay a dog license fee.

Councilman Craig Greathouse: That is \$10 a year.

Lee Roy Stephenson: I feel that we have adequate police protection now. I know that the City does come out and we do appreciate it. The County also patrols the area.

Sheriff Deputy Chuck Stewart: We patrol the area and check the businesses every single night, and so does the City.

Carol Cave: During the summer, when the baseball games are going, the parked cars block the road along the baseball field. I have called the sheriff's office and could never get an officer to come and clear the road.

Sheriff Deputy Chuck Stewart: We have cleared the road and have assisted with this problem many times.

Lee Roy Stephenson: Will we be forced to hook-up to and install sewer lines?

City Attorney Peterson: An amendment has been proposed to the present sewer ordinance to allow the Council to waive connections to the City sewer if a sewer line is within 300 feet. This would be used in many cases where it is not feasible to hook onto the City sewer.

City Manager Jim Allan: The City does need to increase the sewer lagoon systems to accommodate 8,000 people. He described the proposed enlargement of the sewer lagoons.

June Black: When the sewer line was run to the railroad tracks, I understood that the City got the grant because they included Lyman Row. The Lyman Row residents decided not to go ahead with the project, but the City still got their money.

City Manager Jim Allan: The grant money the City received to upgrade the sewer system was used for the sewer line. If the total amount of the sewer line was reduced the funds would therefore be reduced also. The City would have only received funds that were used in the project; they couldn't have received additional funds for Lyman Row if the project did not include Lyman Row.

Reed Skidmore: It was on KNAK Radio that Delta City may increase the mill levy for drainage and street improvement.

City Manager Jim Allan: This was one of the many options to organize a City wide project for the drainage and street improvements. IPA gave the City \$500,000 for this project, which will only cover a fraction of the costs.

Lee Roy Stephenson: There will have to be an increase in fire hydrants.

Public Works Superintendent Neil Forster: Some lines are already adequate. If we can link the lines together, it would be more cost effective, and that looks like a very good possibility.

June Black: I would like to know the attitude of the proposed annexed area residents. How many wish to be annexed into Delta City?

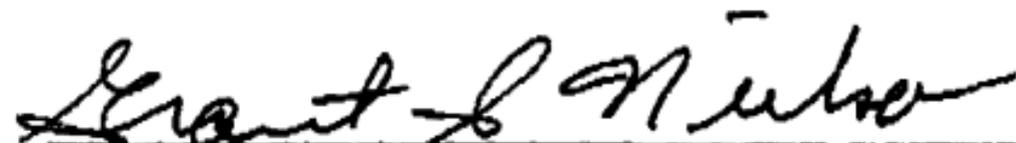
A majority of those present indicated by raise of hands that they presently opposed the annexation.

Dave Crofton: I think we would all be willing to change if we could be shown just reason and cause.

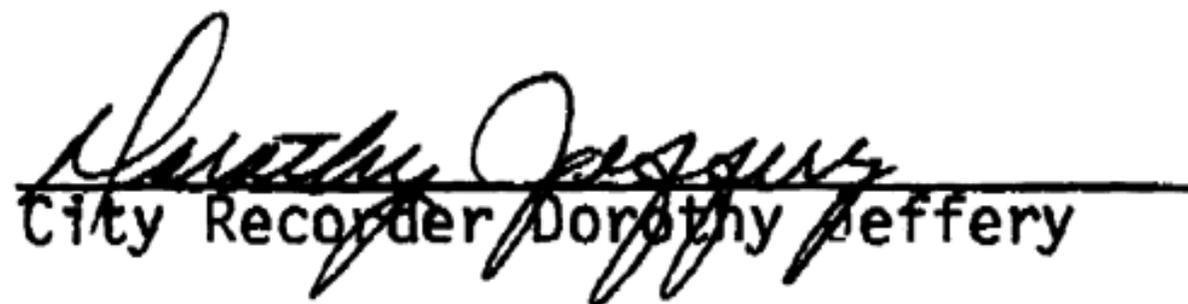
Councilman Craig Greathouse: In order for the proposed area to be annexed (1) there has to be 51% of the property owners positive vote towards the annexation and (2) we need 33% of assessed valuation in favor of the annexation.

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Council Member Greathouse declared the meeting to be concluded at 8:47 p.m.



Mayor Grant S. Nielson



City Recorder Dorothy Jeffery