# CITY OF DELTA, UTAH REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2010

### **PRESENT**

Gayle Bunker Mayor

Robert Banks

Bruce Curtis

Council Member

**ABSENT** 

Betty Jo Western Council Member

Alan Riding Public Works Director

**ALSO PRESENT** 

Kaela JacksonCity AttorneyGregory Jay SchaferCity RecorderHoward WesternCity Resident

Rick Tolley City Business Owner Captain Jason Seegmiller Utah National Guard Sergeant Hyrum Durfee Utah National Guard

Eldon Rowley W. Millard Mosquito Abatement District Lieutenant Morris Burton Millard County Sheriff's Department

Mayor Bunker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He stated that notice of the meeting time, place and agenda had been posted at the City Building and on the Utah Public Notice website, mailed to the Millard County Chronicle/Progress, and provided to each member of the City Council at least two days prior to the meeting. City Recorder Gregory Schafer acted as secretary.

Council Member Robert Banks provided opening remarks, following which Mayor Bunker led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **MINUTES**

The proposed minutes of a Regular City Council Meeting held October 7, 2010 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review, Council Member Robert Banks <u>MOVED</u> to approve

the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held October 7, 2010, as presented. The motion was <u>SECONDED</u> by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously, with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles and Tom Stephenson voting in favor and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The Council reviewed the accounts payable, a copy of which had been given to them two days prior to the meeting. Following review, Council Member Bruce Curtis MOVED to approve the accounts payable dated November 4, 2010, in the amount of \$207,265.99. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member John Niles. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously, with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles and Tom Stephenson voting in favor and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments from the public.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no items of unfinished business on the agenda.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# CAPTAIN JASON SEEGMILLER, UTAH NATIONAL GUARD: UTAH COMMUNITY COVENANT PROGRAM

Captain Seegmiller stated that he was here to share a program that Utah National Guard has adopted and is attempting to implement state-wide. The name of the program is the Community Covenant Program. Capt. Seegmiller presented a video clip to introduce the program. The program involves relieving some of the burdens placed on military families while family members are deployed and when the service member returns home after deployment. The Community Covenant Program is designed to be integrated into every city and town in Utah and, if desired, across the country. The needs of military families in various cities and towns will differ so the program is tailored to the local community and city government is given the responsibility of making the program fit their own area. The program finds resources available at the local area which are available to military families so they can be combined with resources available at state and federal levels.

Implementation requires organizing a small committee or collaborative group which would assess needs of military families in the community and decide, with city government, what can be offered

to support those families. A Community Covenant ceremony would also be held as an outward display of the commitment to assist military families, as well as veterans of previous wars, who live in the community. This ceremony is the most visible indication that the city is in support of military families. Capt. Seegmiller provided a list of possible services that cities could provide to military families. Mayor Bunker expressed appreciation for those in our area who have served and felt that we should look into the Community Covenant Program to see if there is more we can do for our service members and their families. Mayor Bunker thanked Capt. Seegmiller for the information provided.

# ELDON ROWLEY, WEST MILLARD MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT: REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF DELTA CITY REPRESENTATIVE TO MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT BOARD

Mr. Rowley advised Council Members that, for years, the West Millard Mosquito Abatement District Board has been made up of an at-large group appointed by Millard County Commissioners. Utah State Law has changed to make municipalities responsible for choosing board members rather than counties. Each incorporated municipality within the mosquito abatement district is responsible to provide representatives for the board and the county is responsible to provide one at-large member on the board. The new board will consist of a representative from Delta, Lynndyl and Hinckley, with one representative from the county. Brandon Smith, of Delta, is currently on the board. State requirements are that the city must advertise the position, by posting and publication, after which the city council can choose their representative. If Delta City chooses a Council Member to fill the position on the mosquito abatement board, advertising is not required. Mr. Rowley advised Council Members that they would like to have a city representative on the board for the January meeting.

# $\underline{MORRIS\,BURTON, MILLARD\,COUNTY\,SHERIFF'S\,DEPARTMENT: LAW\,ENFORCEMENT}\\\underline{UPDATE}$

Lt. Morris Burton provided a report on Sheriff's Department activity in Delta City from April 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010. Lt. Burton advised Council Members that there had been 64 arrests made in Delta City during that period of time, 20 of those being juveniles and 44 being adults. There were 21 traffic accidents and 168 citations issued for 225 violations. There were 606 incidents in Delta City during that time period on which deputies filed reports. There were 845 calls originating in Delta City, some of which would be animal control calls, or calls that originated in Delta City but the incident was actually in the county. These calls would not have reports filed, which accounts for the difference between the number of calls and number of incidents.

Mayor Bunker asked Lt. Burton where the Delta City speed trailer is. Mayor Bunker has not seen it recently. Lt. Burton reported that the last place he saw it was on 500 West south of Main Street. After it has been on the street for several days, it is taken to be charged for two days. Lt. Burton will find out where the speed trailer is currently located.

Mayor Bunker asked where the decibel meter was that Delta City provided to the sheriff's department. Lt. Burton advised Council Members that the meter is in the sheriff's department and he has posted a large sign advertising the location of the meter.

Mayor Bunker thanked Lt. Burton for his report and the service provided to the community by the sheriff's department.

# MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: PROPOSED STREET VACATION OF 50 EAST STREET BETWEEN 400 SOUTH AND 450 SOUTH

Mayor Bunker provided Council Members with a copy of a request for street vacation at 50 East Street between 400 South and 450 South. The street is thirty-three feet wide and dead ends at the Delta South Elementary School playground. Vacation of a street requires a public hearing so Mayor Bunker requested that Council Members set a date for a public hearing.

Council Member Robert Banks <u>MOVED</u> to set a public hearing on December 2, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment regarding the proposed vacation of 50 East Street between 400 South and 450 South. The motion was <u>SECONDED</u> by Council Member John Niles. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously, with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles and Tom Stephenson voting in favor and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

## MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: BUILDING PERMITS

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that he was aware of an individual building a home in Delta City for which the building inspector told the individual he could connect the gas or electricity, but he could not connect both until the final inspection. Mayor Bunker has discussed this matter with the building inspector in the past because builders need both gas and electricity while building, especially during the cold months. The inspector's concern is that, if he allows both connections, the people may move in without first obtaining an occupancy permit. Mayor Bunker has informed the building inspector that Delta City has ordinances in place so we can file charges against a homeowner who moves into a house without first obtaining an occupancy permit.

Mayor Bunker asked whether Council Members want to consider charging a fee on the building permit which can be refunded when the final inspection has been made and an occupancy permit received. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

## MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: MUSEUM / COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

Mayor Bunker reported that when the Memorandum of Understanding between the entities involved in the museum / community center project was signed, it was agreed that if construction was not

started within three years, Great Basin Museum would have the right to be released from the Memorandum of Understanding and build their own facility. Great Basin Museum wants to exercise that right and begin construction of their own building. This means that Topaz Museum will be doing fund raising for their own project and, if Delta City wants to provide a community center, we will be doing that without cooperation of the other entities. There will be very little happening on the project for several months inasmuch as Great Basin Museum will be waiting until March to begin their project. There is some discussion of Great Basin Museum and Topaz Museum trading properties so that Great Basin Museum would be constructing their building eighty-two feet further east.

# MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: LIGHT PARADE CELEBRATION AND NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION PLANS

Mayor Bunker stated that Rebecca Peterson will be working with Santa Claus and city workers will put the candy bags together. Santa will be at the City Building from 11:00 to 12:30 on Friday, and at the Fair Building following the parade. Mayor Bunker asked Council Members to come ride in the parade and bring children and/or grandchildren to ride with them.

Mayor Bunker requested approval from City Council Members to allow city workers to close the office at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, the day prior to Thanksgiving. He also requested approval to close the City Office at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, and at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Bunker indicated that, because Christmas and New Years Day are both on Saturday this year, and employees would normally have Friday off for the two holidays, we will allow employees to take two days off, in January or February, in exchange for the Christmas and New Years Day holidays they would normally have. This would allow us to have all employees available to help with set up and take down for the New Years Eve celebration. Council Members were in agreement with the schedule as outlined by Mayor Bunker.

Mayor Bunker talked with Council Member Western prior to the meeting and she indicated the Charley Jenkins Band will be coming to entertain at the New Year's Eve celebration. We have received a contribution from Rocky Mountain Power to help with the cost of the band at the celebration. Council Member Western has not yet obtained additional entertainment for the celebration but continues to work on it. We have also purchased some childrens games in place of renting the games and having to pay someone to go pick up and return the games.

Mayor Bunker provided copies of a proposed letter to be mailed to Intermountain Power Service Corporation, Brushwellman, Graymont, Questar Gas, Ash Grove Cement, and Delta Egg Farm. The letter requests donations toward paying for the celebration inasmuch as it benefits everyone in the community, provides fun and entertainment for all ages, and is free and open to all area residents. Mayor Bunker asked Council Members for their suggestions regarding requesting donations from these major employers in our area. Council Members were in agreement with sending out the letters.

## PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ALAN RIDING: UPDATE ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Public Works Director Riding was unable to attend the meeting tonight and requested that he be excused. Public Works employees have been working on replacing the roof over the Council Chambers and it is almost complete. They are also working on putting up Christmas. The electrical wiring has been placed in the park and they will begin putting up lighting next week. There will be some new music and programming for the light show at the City Building but they do not have any new lighted items this year.

We have had new doors installed in the City Building. The doors will have automatic openers when electricity is connected to them.

Fall clean up is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th.

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### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Bunker asked Council Member John Niles to provide him with the name of the Delta Car Show Mayors Trophy winner. Council Member Niles will contact Council Member Betty Jo Western to get the name of the winner.

Mayor Bunker noted that the county-wide siren system has been installed and will be tested in January. Millard County Sheriff's Department will be doing public education on what the different tones mean.

The Delta High School Class of 1960 wants to erect a monument of some type in the City Park commemorating the location of the old high school and junior high school which were previously located in the current City Park on Main Street. Mayor Bunker told them it would probably be fine to locate something in the park as long as it was near a street rather than in the middle of the park. Council Members did not have any objection to the request.

Millard County Commissioners are holding up some permits for Magnum Energy until they are certain wells being drilled will not affect private water wells in the area of the drilling.

Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments, questions, or other items to be discussed. There

being none, Council Member Tom Stephenson <u>MOVED</u> to adjourn the meeting. The motion was <u>SECONDED</u> by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously, with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles and Tom Stephenson voting in favor and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

Mayor Bunker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

GAYLE BUNKER, Mayor

Gregory J Schafer, MMC, City Recorder

MINUTES APPROVED: RCCM 11-18-10