# CITY OF DELTA, UTAH REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

## **PRESENT**

Gayle Bunker Mayor

Robert BanksCouncil MemberBruce CurtisCouncil MemberJohn NilesCouncil MemberTom StephensonCouncil MemberBetty Jo WesternCouncil Member

**ABSENT** 

Gregory Jay Schafer City Recorder

### ALSO PRESENT

Todd Anderson City Attorney

Alan Riding Public Works Director

Ken Clark Assistant Public Works Director

Barbara Clark City Employee

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 Meeting Notice web site and had been provided to the <u>Millard County Chronicle/Progress</u> and to each member of the City Council at least two days prior to the meeting.

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 August 18, 2011 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review, Council Member Robert Banks MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held August 18, 2011, as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member John Niles. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. Council Member Betty Jo Western had some questions which were answered by Public Works Director Alan Riding. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any other comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles, Tom Stephenson and Betty

Jo Western voting in favor.

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The Council reviewed the accounts payable, a copy of which had been provided to them at least two days prior to the meeting. Following review, Council Member John Niles <u>MOVED</u> to approve the accounts payable, dated September 1, 2011, in the amount of \$141,702.83. The motion was <u>SECONDED</u> by Council Member Betty Jo Western. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles, Tom Stephenson, and Betty Jo Western voting in favor.

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments from the public.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no items of unfinished business on the agenda.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES FOR 2011 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that City Recorder Gregory Schafer had requested that the following be appointed as election judges for the upcoming municipal elections:

Delta Precinct #17:

Lorelei Draper

Deb Houghton

Anne Stoddard

Linda Kersey - Alternate

Delta Precinct #18

Nola Bunker

Roberta Dutson

Selma Lazaro

Dennis Johnson - Alternate

All individuals have agreed to serve in the position of election judges and none are closely related to any candidate running for City Council positions.

Council Member Betty Jo Western <u>MOVED</u> to appoint elections judges for the 2011 municipal elections as requested by City Recorder Gregory Schafer. 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 with Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles, Tom Stephenson and Betty Jo Western voting in favor.

# MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: PROPOSED TOPAZ MUSEUM / COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT

Mayor Bunker noted that he had provided drawings of the proposed facility for Council Member review. We are preparing a request for funding from the Permanent Community Impact Fund Board which must be submitted by the end of September. Council Members reviewed the current drawings for the proposed structures and how they will be placed on the property. Council Members discussed the proposed facility. Both entities will be applying for their own funding and neither will be dependent upon funding being obtained for the other entity.

Council Member Betty Jo Western stated that she had heard some people feel that the location is not the best location for the museums and community center. Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that the family that owned the land did not want to sell it but they finally agreed to sell it for use as a museum and community center. The property had been owned by their family since Delta was settled and they were not anxious to let it leave family ownership.

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

Public Works Director Alan Riding reported that public works employees have been working on the storm drain project along Center Street. The project will improve drainage problems that have existing for many years, as well as remove the need for the deep cross gutters along Center Street. All property owners will share the expense of replacing curb along Center Street so that drainage problems will be improved. The project should be completed next week.

Several members of the Public Works Department have been in Layton this week attending a Utah Rural Water Association convention Scott Ross was doing testing for sewer lagoon operation certification and Travis Stanworth, Ken Clark and Alan Riding were all obtaining continuing education credits in order to maintain their water and sewer certifications. They learned that there are new regulations coming out with regard to sewer systems. More information on those regulations will be received in the near future.

Council Member Robert Banks asked if there were any problems with regard to airport funding. Public Works Director Riding advised Council Members that the funding on the last piece of equipment purchased was reduced from \$150,000 to \$127,500 and last week they agreed to fund \$135,000. Fortunately, airport funding comes in a three year cycle and we are currently in the second year of that cycle. Although funding is questionable, it is essentially pre-approved for the three year cycle, so there is a slim chance that would not come through for next year. Council Member Banks asked how much funding is needed to keep the airport operating each year. Public Works Director Riding noted that grant project money cannot be used for operating expenses. The grant funds must be used for airport improvements and the City must pay for the day-to-day operational costs.

Public Works Director Riding noted that, while attending the Utah Rural Water Association

convention, the drinking water board was going to hear a request from Scott Johnson, of Sherwood Water, for funding to upgrade their water system to comply with arsenic standards for drinking water. Public Works Director Riding and Assistant Public Works Director Ken Clark were invited to attend the discussion because Sunrise Engineering had done a study and prepared a proposal to the drinking water board that Sherwood Water hook on to the Delta City water system for drinking water. The board requested that Mr. Riding and Mr. Clark be in attendance to verify that Sherwood Water had discussed the proposal with Delta City and to verify whether the Delta City system had the capacity to serve Sherwood Water and that Delta City would be in agreement with providing water. The drinking water board did grant a \$1,075,000 loan to upgrade the Sherwood Water system and, when the project is completed, \$875,000 of the loan will be forgiven. Mr. Johnson will be meeting with the City Council at some time in the future to discuss what needs to done to connect to the city water system.

Council Member Betty Jo Western noted that weeds are bad in some areas. Public Works Director Riding indicated that weeds are being regularly sprayed.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Bunker asked if any of the Council Members were willing to handle picking the winner of the Mayor's Trophy at the car show this year. The show will be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> this year. Mayor Bunker invited any interested Council Member to pick the winner for him.

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Mayor Bunker told Council Members that they have frequently discussed the strip of land owned by Intermountain Health Care, located between the hospital and the Neighborhood Park. About two weeks ago, Jeff Christensen, administrator of Millard Care Center, approached Delta City about removing a section of grass on the west side of their existing parking lot in order to add about twelve additional parking spaces to their parking lot. Mr. Christensen asked what assistance Delta City could provide for the project. Mayor Bunker advised Mr. Christensen that we could move the fire hydrant for them and bring in fill dirt to bring the area up to the same height as the existing parking area. Mayor Bunker told them that we would not provide any funds but we would provide labor to assist them in the project. Mayor Bunker asked if Council Members had any objection to providing that assistance to the care center. Millard County will assist by providing asphalt and curb, gutter and sidewalk. Council Members felt that it was a good idea.

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Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments, questions, or other items to be discussed. There being none, Council Member John Niles <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 with

Council Members Robert Banks, Bruce Curtis, John Niles, Tom Stephenson and Betty Jo Western voting in favor.

Mayor Bunker declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

GAYLE BUNKER, Mayor

GREGORY JAY SCHAFER, MMC, City Recorder

MINUTES APPROVED: RCCM 10-06-11