



**DELTA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, November 07, 2013
Delta City Building Council Chambers
76 North 200 West
Delta, Utah

PRESENT

Mayor Gayle Bunker
Council Member John Niles
Council Member Steven Pratt

Council Member Tom Stephenson
Council Member Robert Banks

ABSENT

Council Member Betty Jo Western
City Attorney Todd Anderson

ALSO PRESENT

City Recorder Greg Schafer
Asst. Public Works Director Ken Clark
Chamber of Commerce Representative Lorie Skeem
Area Resident Von Allred

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

Opening remarks were provided by Council Member Tom Stephenson, following which Mayor Bunker led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The proposed minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held October 17, 2013 were presented for approval. Following discussion, Council Member Steven Pratt MOTIONED to adopt the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held October 17, 2013 as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Tom Stephenson. The motion passed with Council Member Robert Banks, Council Member John Niles, Council Member Steven Pratt and Council Member Tom Stephenson voting in favor, and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Council reviewed the accounts payables of November 07, 2013 in the amount of \$153,810.84; copies of which had been provided to them at least two days prior to the meeting. Following a discussion, Council Member John Niles MOVED to approve the accounts payables for November 07, 2013 in the amount of \$153,810.84. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Tom Stephenson. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Member Robert Banks, Council Member John Niles, Council Member Steven Pratt and Council Member 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

ULCT Fall Conference Lodging

City Recorder Greg Schafer recognizing the fact that security at the lodging of the fall Utah League of City and Town's Conference had been an issue contacted the Crystal Inn where the problem resided for the 2013 year. Mr. Schafer had stated the problems concerning the City Council at the Crystal Inn to the management, those being; the insecure parking, the solicitation of Council Members for money, theft, and observing and handling of vehicles in the parking lot. The management of the Crystal Inn concurred that security could be upped, and that with a homeless shelter nearby, the problems were indisputable. The management of the Crystal Inn assured Mr. Schafer that security would be stepped up if the City Council were to choose to lodge there again in the future, and also apologized for the episodes that caused the City Council concern. Mr. Schafer also contacted the Sheraton Hotel for room prices. For ten dollars more per night, Mr. Schafer stated, the Council could possibly book rooms, but they could only guarantee one king bed room and the rest would be double bed rooms. The Council questioned if they were double bed rooms, or queen bed rooms and Mr. Schafer said that he would acquire additional information regarding if the beds were double or queen. The Little America, stated Mr. Schafer, was \$95.00 a night. The Courtyard by Marriott was \$169.00 a night. There was a brief discussion regarding the room options, and it was decided by the Council that Mr. Schafer would follow-up with the Sheraton to see if Queen or King rooms could be reserved. If, so, then Mr. Schafer would reserve them in order to secure them for the following fall conference.

Bret Peterson Licensing Provisions Ratification

City Recorder Greg Schafer reported that ratification is required for the provisions necessary for licensing Mr. Bret Peterson, who is interested in opening a pawn shop and pay day loan center in Delta. Not being an agenda item at last month's meeting, he proposes that a motion to ratify

licensing requirement provisions be made. Council Member John Niles MOTIONED to ratify the licensing requirements stipulated for Mr. Peterson's proposed business, while disregarding the antiquated sections of our own municipal code, specifically sections Title 9-334 and 9-335 requesting ten letters attesting to the licensee's character, as long as all state statutes and remaining City requirements be followed. Council Member Steven Pratt SECONDED the motion. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Member Robert Banks, Council Member John Niles, Council Member Steven Pratt and Council Member Tom Stephenson voting in favor, and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

BUSINESS

New Year's Eve Celebration

Mayor Gayle Bunker reported that the Charlie Jenkins Band is reserved for the Delta City New Year's Celebration and that the City has made a deposit for their reservation. Mayor Bunker stated that Betty Jo Western is interested in getting a juggling act from California that involves juggling, uni-cycling and ladders and costing \$2,000.00. Council Member Steven Pratt made a MOTION to approve the juggling act for New Year's Eve for \$2,000.00. Council Member Robert Banks SECONDED the motion. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Member Robert Banks, Council Member John Niles, Council Member Steven Pratt and Council Member Tom Stephenson voting in favor, and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent. Mayor Bunker also mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce will be helping to push participation in the upcoming Light Parade held Saturday November 30th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Bunker also reminded that the City would award three cash prizes of \$50.00 for the event.

Approval of Scissor Lift

Assistant Public Works Director Ken Clark stated that the Delta City Public Works Department is seeking approval for a used Scissor Lift. The cost of a used unit, according to Mr. Ken Clark, is from \$4,500.00 to \$7,300.00. There was a brief discussion on prices and models, as well as uses for the equipment by the Council. It was suggested that someone certified to train on proper use of the equipment be brought in to train the employees that would be operating the lift. Assistant Director Ken Clark agreed that this would be a good idea. Council Member Tom Stephenson agreed to get the contact information a certified equipment specialist able to perform the employee training. Council Member Robert Banks made a MOTION to approve the purchase of a Scissor Lift for the Public Works department. Council Member John Niles SECONDED the motion. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council

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Public Works Update

Assistant Public Works Director Ken Clark stated that the Sewer Jet should be complete on Friday. The cost for the repair for the machine is \$15,000.00. Mr. Ken Clark reported that Twin D had been contracted out of Salt Lake City to clean sewer lines, and that they had taken care of some potential problems. Mr. Clark reported that he had found an old Sewer Jet on Public Surplus, and auction online that he had been interested in for \$16,000.00. After speaking to the Public Works Director from the community that owned the truck, Assistant Public Works Director Mr. Ken Clark determined that the truck was not quite what Delta City Public Works wanted. Mr. Ken Clark stated that they were going to purchase some new high-pressure hose for the Sewer Jet so that they are able to clean some problem areas that they could not do before. The Rancher Café, according to Mr. Ken Clark, is having sewer problems that the City is trying to assist with. Christmas decorating is under way, reported Mr. Ken Clark. Mr. Clark stated that Randy Morris is at a tree class and after taking the test, he will be a certified arborist. Mr. Ken Clark stated that the Public Works employees were kept very busy for the semiannual Clean-up. The contractor that is demolishing the old high school asked permission to dump brick and debris concrete on the hill at the dump, informed Mr. Ken Clark. There was a discussion by the council on allowing the dumping by the contractor, and if there should be a charge for this service. The council was asked to consider allowing the contractor to dump said debris and bring back their recommendation for the next meeting. Mayor Bunker read a note from Rick Nielson, Chairman of the Municipal Shooting Range Board, complimenting the Public Works employees on their work at the pistol range. They were very pleased with the project.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Recorder Greg Schafer made a request to consider raising the fee for a Solicitor's license. Currently, Mr. Greg Schafer reported, the city charges \$15.00, which does not even cover the expense of the badge and lanyard. After Deputy Recorder Barbara Clark researched many other cities' license fees online, Mr. Greg Schafer determined that the cost to the solicitor for a Delta license was unusually low. Mr. Greg Schafer also suggested that a background check from the state of origin be requested along with the Utah state background check currently required. It was proposed to the council by Mr. Greg Schafer to raise the price of the solicitor's license, not enough to burden the sales person, but to create a more equal environment for the local businesses that pay a higher license fee and are here for the community year round. The council will consider these proposed changes and Mr. Schafer is to return this matter to a future meeting.

Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comment, questions, or other items to be discussed. There being none, Council Member Tom Stephenson MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Robert Banks. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passes with Council Members Tom Stephenson, John Niles, Steven Pratt, and Robert Banks voting in favor, and Council Member Betty Jo Western being absent.

Mayor Bunker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

GAYLE K. BUNKER, Mayor

GREGORY JAY SCHAFFER, MMC City Recorder

Minutes Approved: 12-05-2013