



## CITY OF WEST WENDOVER

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### **WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 4, 2008**

The West Wendover City Council met for a regular meeting on March 4, 2008. The meeting was held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Mayor Thaut presided.

Council Members Present: Roy Briggs, Emily Carter, Jimmy Carter, Jamey Christie and Johnny Gorum

Others Present: Brett Shelton, Dixie Melville, Ron Supp, Corinne Copelan, Steve Weinsten, Jeff Knudtson, Brenda Flinders, Leon Flinders, Kerry Robinson, Bryce Kimber, Deeanna Croasmun, Chris Melville and Anna Bartlome

The following proceedings were had.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**  
Mayor Thaut called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present and excused are noted above.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
Mayor Thaut 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 Briggs had some changes to the minutes of the special meeting of February 19, 2008.

Under Items of Discussion the changes are as follows:

Item a: *“Craig Neeley made a presentation discussing what the current fees are, how much of an increase we are asking for, the status of each of the departments budgets and why the increases are needed.”*

*“Discussion was also had regarding how West Wendover’s rates compare to other cities in the area of similar size.”*

Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 19, 2008 and the regular meeting of February 19, 2008 with the changes as noted above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**  
**\*a. Discussion and Decision to Forward the Compost Operations, Garbage/Landfill Fees, Water Fees, Sewer Fees, Associated Fiscal Budgets, Authorization for Staff to Prepare any Appropriate Resolutions for Adoption to the March 18, 2008 Meeting and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville asked for more time and to move this item to the meeting of March 18, 2008. Council Member Christie made the motion to forward this item to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

**\*b. Discussion and Possible Decision for Relief of Potential Tipping Charges for Garbage for the City of Wendover Utah Concerning the Rippetoe Property and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Mayor Brett Shelton explained that they were asking for a discounted rate or total waiver of fees for the garbage associated with the Rippetoe property. Mayor Shelton further stated that they had tried to obtain CDBG funding but did not receive it. General discussion was had concerning the amount of garbage, fees for garbage and construction debris, how close would put West Wendover to a new cell at the landfill and cost of a new cell. Council Member Gorum made the motion to deny relief of potential tipping charges for garbage for the City of Wendover Utah concerning the Rippetoe property. The motion died due to a lack of a second. General discussion was had regarding what type of materials which would be dumped, possible waiver of a portion of the fees, and how the clean up of this property was good for the whole community. Council Member Christie made the motion to give City of West Wendover a 50% discount on tipping fees for the cleanup of the middle of town Rippetoe property and the rock and construction debris would be sorted out. Council Member Christie rephrased her motion to reduce the tipping charges for the cleanup of the Rippetoe property in the center of Wendover Utah to \$25.00 per ton excluding rock and block that will be sorted out and left at its current rate. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

**\*c. Discussion and Decision Regarding Donating to the 2008 Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Anna Bartlome explained that this was an annual event and the city donated \$250.00 to the event last year. Council Member Gorum made the motion to donate \$250.00 to the 2008 annual Easter Egg Hunt. Council Member Christie declared that she is a member of the Easter Egg Hunt Committee but would not benefit personally from this item. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**\*a. Discussion and Decision to Approve Parcel Map for Wendover Partners, LLC and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that this was the final parcel map and had been reviewed by the City Engineer and staff and they approved it. It was explained that this would combine two parcels into one large parcel; then would be separated into two more equal parcels. Council Member E. Carter made the motion to approve the parcel map for Wendover Partners, LLC. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

**7. DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Department Updates taken in the following order.

**Fire Chief** – Jeff Knudtson had nothing to add to memo. Council Member Gorum stated that he had a question about the flag flying at half staff but Gary Corona had answered him. The flag had been flying at half staff due to a State Patrolman that had been killed. The memo stated that the burn trailer had been taken to the Southern Idaho Firefighters Association Conference and over 200 firefighters had used it for training. The department is still training for IFSAC along with the Tooele County Airport Fire Department. Two vehicles had been dispatched to Wells after the earthquake.

Ron Supp gave a brief update of what he had seen on the earthquake in Wells. Ron explained that a major portion of the old downtown collapsed, most of the homes received some damage (especially homes with a chimney), and the high school, golf course and the LDS Church also were damaged. The earthquake displaced forty families. Discussion was had regarding the Type 2 Incident Commander being in Elko for training when the earthquake hit and how quickly he was able to then get to Wells.

**Public Works Director** – Bryce Kimber explained that Wells has asked for help installing some waterline that was damaged during the earthquake. Bryce explained that the expenses may run around \$10,000.00 for wages and fuel. Discussion was had regarding keeping track of the expenditures in case of a possible reimbursement.

The memo stated that there had been a water leak in Wendover Mobile Home Park. Tentatively at the end of March the leak detection company from Tennessee should be here to help with the Clearview Mobile Home issue. There had been a sewer plug in the main line in Wendover Boulevard but was handled in good time. Some of the Public Works crew is helping to clean up the Compost plant. A company is coming in and taking the white goods from the City, which include old washers, dryers, etc. A 30 yard construction container was taken to Wells to help with the clean up.

**Police Chief** – Ron Supp had nothing to add to the memo, which stated that the patrol vehicles were supposed to be here at the end of March. Dispatch has filled its vacancy and currently is fully staffed. A background check is being completed on another applicant for dispatch who would then take the place of Ryan Tangaro who would then go to patrol. The department responded to 411 calls for service, made 11 adult arrests, served 6 warrants, made 1 juvenile arrest, issued 155 citations, conducted 90 field interviews, and served 80 civil papers.

**Chief Financial Officer** – Discussion was had regarding the budget meetings on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup> would be at 6:30 p.m. with the other two days would be at 6:00 p.m.

Bryce Kimber stated that two staff members and he would be attending Nevada Rural Water the week of March 10<sup>th</sup>.

**City Manager** – Chris Melville explained his memo, which included that on the City Hall project the specs had been shipped to USDA to review, and looking to go out to bid the middle of March. The Gene L. Jones Way project is wrapping up on the infrastructure side with the lights currently going up. The Red Garter sidewalk project is wrapped up except for the railing in front of Super 8. The contractor has wrapped up the work on the Leppy Hills Trails. Chris explained that he and Bryce Kimber would be meeting with BLM to discuss a dump site that had been found during the Leppy Hills project to see if it could be cleaned up. The official opening of the Leppy Hills Trails would be the middle of April. Advertising would be done to form the Tread Lightly group. Chris stated that the Mayor and the REC District have executed the paperwork for the 3.91 acres. The move of the fire station and court is proceeding. Chris explained that he would be going to the CDBG meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>, and Elko County Commissioners did issue a letter of support of the project. The Logistics/Industrial Park would be starting work; a change order would be done to add the sewer in that had been taken out and also the section of Airport Way that would be added. Chris explained that he hoped to have something at the next meeting for the Sycamore right of way.

## 8. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Gorum stated that the lights on Gene L. Jones looked good.

Council Member J. Carter stated that he would be attending some doctor's appointments but should be able to make all of the meetings.

Council Member Briggs asked if there has been anymore talk with ECEDA. Chris Melville explained that he is in contact with them but had been unable to attend the last few meetings.

Council Member Christie asked if the natural gas line going through Elko was going to go around us. Chris Melville stated that if they are not going through West Wendover they should be going close to here. Council Member Christie asked if there were more signs that stated no motorized vehicles that could be posted along the walkway next to Florence Way.

Mayor Thaut explained that Smiths Food and Drug has come up with the burlap shopping bags. Mayor Thaut explained that they are coming up with a program and would like to purchase some bags to start giving to the citizens.

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

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve the claims of March 4, 2008 and the January insurance. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

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

The next meeting date is a joint meeting with the REC District on March 18, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. and the regular meeting on March 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. both meetings will be held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Council Member E. Carter made the motion to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome  
City Clerk/Records Officer