



CITY OF WEST WENDOVER

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WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 20, 2008

The West Wendover City Council met for a regular meeting on May 20, 2008. The meeting was held at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Mayor Thaut presided.

Council Members Present: Roy Briggs, Emily Carter, Jamey Christie, Johnny Gorum and Alan Rowley II

Others Present: Arieh Copelan, Ron Supp, Bryce Kimber, Jeff Knudtson, Brenda Flinders, Leon Flinders, Claude Fratto, Cassie Fratto, Toni Fratto, Tia Rowley, Aleta Kimber, Kerry Robinson, Roseanna Robinson, Michelle Blake, Bryant Blake, Justin Pillmore, Barbra Rowley, Reese Melville, 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 Christie had some changes to the minutes of May 6, 2008.

Under New Business the changes are as follows:

Item a: *“General discussion was had regarding whether there are behavioral issues at the schools, what it may take to get teachers for the hard to hire positions and an incentive package for all teachers.”*

“Discussion was had regarding starting income for teachers, signing bonus for Nevada and isolation pay. It was proposed to give a signing bonus of \$1,500.00 for hard to hire teachers, which include Math, Science, English, ESL and Special Education, for a total of nine positions.”

Item b: *“Chris Melville explained that approximately five years ago the City had been approached to change the age restriction to ten years but was only granted five.”*

Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 2008 with the changes as noted above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION

Mayor Thaut presented Lupe Prieto with Employee of the Year.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. First Reading and Filing of Ordinance #2008-02; An Ordinance Entitled “Fingerprint Submission Code Amendment”, Which Amends the City Fingerprint Code to Make Changes for Additional Specificity to Comply with New Requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigations Concerning Fingerprint Submissions Wherever Such are Required by City Code or Resolution of the Council for Background Investigations in Various Employment, Licensing, Permitting and Other Permissible Categories for Such Investigation

Mayor Thaut read the above entitled ordinance and filed it with the City Clerk.

***b. Discussion and Decision Regarding Adoption of Resolution #2008-08; A Resolution Repealing Resolution #2000-07 and Establishing Public Property Areas within the City for the Placement of Political Signs**

General discussion was had regarding various areas to allow for the placement of political signs, which included the south side of Wendover Boulevard between Wells Avenue and Red Garter Street, the north side of Wendover Boulevard excluding the interior of North Gene L. Jones Way between Pueblo Boulevard and Red Garter Street, and the south side of Florence Way between the area of the skate park and the curve by the Police Department. Council Member Christie made the motion to adopt Resolution #2008-08; a resolution repealing resolution #2000-07 and establishing public property areas within the City for the placement of political signs at the locations discussed above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

7. NEW BUSINESS

***a. Discussion and Decision Concerning the Filling of a Vacancy on the City Council by Selection of a Person with the Requisite Qualifications by a Majority Vote of the City Council and Mayor, Who has the Same Voting Power Thereon as a Council Member. The Person so Selected Shall Hold the Office Until the Election and Qualification of His or Her Successor at the Next General Election**

Mayor Thaut stated that two letters had been received one from Alan Rowley II and one from Bryant Blake. Mayor Thaut asked each of them to stand and explain why they should be appointed to the Council. Alan Rowley II explained that he had lived in West Wendover for three years and prior to moving here he had been a sergeant in the Police Department and had worked with the Council. Alan Rowley II stated that he would like the opportunity to work on the other side and to serve the community. Bryant Blake explained that he had been a resident for eight years and has been teaching school since he has been here. Bryant Blake stated that he has seen the community change and would like to be a part of the future growth. General discussion was had regarding the responsibility of the Council, that it is more time consuming than they may think, and that there are committee assignments in addition to the monthly meetings. It was stated that whoever is appointed would serve until November 2010. Council Member Christie made the motion to appoint Alan Rowley II as Council Member of the City of West Wendover. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gorum and passed with the following vote. Voting aye: Mayor Thaut, Council Member Carter, Council Member Christie and Council Member Gorum. Voting nay: Council Member Briggs.

Council Member Christie thanked both for applying for the position and that one factor in her decision was that Bryant Blake would be on the ballot in November.

Judge Reese Melville swore in Alan Rowley II as Council Member for the City of West Wendover.

Mayor Thaut thanked both Bryant Blake and Alan Rowley II for submitting a letter of interest. Council Member Gorum echoed Council Member Christies comments.

Agenda taken out of order, Public Hearing heard next, see below.

***b. Discussion and Decision for Conceptual Site Plan Approval, Rusty Palm Project/Steve Weinstein**

Steve Weinstein explained that the project is located on the eight acres of property on the north side of I-80 by exit 410. The first phase would be a 12,000 square foot center that could be leased out to different tenants with the second phase would grow it to a resort complex. General discussion was had regarding when building would begin, what the first phase of the building could be used for. Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the conceptual site plan approval for the Rusty Palm Project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

***c. Discussion and Decision Concerning Adoption of Second Amended Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Certain Lots in Village I Subdivision and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that this is to adjust the adopted Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions given that a new plat map and lot numbers changed. Council Member Christie had a question about who would make sure the landscaping was put in when no one owns the majority portion of the lots. It was explained that the City would do it under the City Code. Council Member Carter made the motion to adopt the second amended declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions for certain lots in Village I Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gorum and passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

1) **NOTICE**, is hereby given that the West Wendover City Council will hold a public hearing in conjunction with the Regular City Council meeting of **May 20, 2008**, at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. The meeting will be called to order at 7:00 p.m. and the **public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m.** thereafter. The purpose of the hearing is for the discussion and approval of the 2008 – 2009 Fiscal Year Budget. Copies of the budget are available at the West Wendover City Offices.

Mayor Thaut closed the regular portion of the meeting and opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Leon Flinders explained that there were few changes from the tentative budget that had been submitted. Leon explained that the item concerning schedule C-1 about the outstanding debt not agreeing with the audit report is due to two of the items have been paid off and no longer an issue. The other two points that had been made to schedules S-2 and S-3 were corrected and both reflected that the assessed value was wrong. Other than those changes everything else remanded the same.

Due to there being no public comment Mayor Thaut closed the public hearing portion of the meeting and opened the regular portion of the meeting.

*** Discussion and Decision Regarding Proposed Approval of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve the budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The motion was seconded by Council Member Christie and passed unanimously.

Agenda taken back in order, New Business item b heard next, see above.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Ron Supp explained that currently on the Senate floor was a war bill that has the BYRNE/JAG Grant attached to it. The funding of the majority of grants for law enforcement comes from the BYRNE/JAG Grant. Ron asked the Mayor and Council to call Senator Reid and Ensign and encourage their vote for this bill to get the funding for those grant funds back.

Leon Flinders explained that he is currently working on budget augmentations for the current fiscal year budget and it would be on the June 3rd agenda.

Chris Melville reminded everyone of the Breast Brigade walk on May 24th at 10 a.m. at Leppy Hills. Chris explained that the raffle for the Tread Lightly group was successful with between 50-60 applicants. The bid opening for the City Hall Complex would be June 12, 2008 at 2 p.m. There will be a FAM Tour that the State of Nevada is doing on June 7th and 8th.

Council Member Gorum thanked all of the Department Heads for submitting their employees for Employee of the Year.

Council Member Carter explained that the 8 mile bike ride and 5k run for the 4th of July will be held at Leppy Hills this year. Council Member Carter stated that there would be a spaghetti dinner and cake auction on May 21st for the Bostock family who lost their home to a fire.

10. *APPROVAL OF THE CLAIMS:

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve the claims for May 20, 2008. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carter and passed unanimously.

11. *NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting date is a regular meeting on June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Council Member Carter made the motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Christie and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome
City Clerk/Records Officer