



CITY OF WEST WENDOVER

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WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 6, 2008

The West Wendover City Council met for a regular meeting on May 6, 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: Corinne Copelan, Tom Carpenter, Dawn Hagness, Bryce Kimber, Kerrie Supanich, Jeff Knudtson, Ron Supp, Karen Hedden, Randall Soderquist, Julie Sandoval, Claude Fratto, Cassie Fratto, Linda Brown, Brenda Flinders, Leon Flinders, Raul Naranjo, Louise Carter, Scott Bangerter, Keith Walz, John Hanson, Kerry Robinson, Rosanna Robinson, Mel Duke, 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:

Chris Melville explained that the Cinco de Mayo celebration had taken place on Sunday, May 4th and there had been a very good turnout with people enjoying themselves. The event had been great for the community as it has been in the past. Chris read the article from the High Desert Advocate that stated there would not be a Cinco de Mayo celebration. Chris stated that it was a disservice to the community to print something like that that is not factual. Chris explained that the celebration for Cinco de Mayo had begun in the early 1990's before the City took over the celebration in 2002. Chris explained that money is budgeted every year, the event does not rival 4th of July but it is a major event. This year's event included food booths, 3 dance groups, a band and carnival games. Chris explained that there is not a good relationship between the High Desert Advocate and the City of West Wendover but this article is detrimental to the community. Chris stated that he is not sure what impact this article had because the event was still very well attended. Corinne Copelan stated that they would be printing a retraction in the next paper, and they were not aware that the event was going to take place because they had not heard anything.

4. *APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Council Member E. Carter made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 15, 2008 and the special meeting of April 29, 2008. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION

1) Mayor Thaut explained that the first presentation was to the 6th grade class who had written a letter to her asking what they could do to get a water slide at the swimming pool. Mayor Thaut explained that due to a settlement with Scott Bangerter funds had become

available for this. Discussion was had regarding a water slide being in the Recreation District Capital Projects Plan, and that the students would vote to either use the funds for water slide or playground equipment at the elementary school. Scott Bangerter presented the 6th grade class with a check for \$10,000.00. Scott Bangerter explained that he was happy to be in a position to contribute and that the children are the future of the City.

2) Mayor Thaut presented Councilman Jimmy Carter with a plaque for his years of service on the Council. Mayor Thaut explained that this would be Councilman J. Carters last meeting.

6. PROCLAMATION

Proclamation for Police Week May 11th – May 17th

Mayor Thaut read the above entitled Proclamation declaring May 11th through May 17th as Police Week and May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day. (Proclamation attached.)

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

***a. Discussion and Decision to Adopt Resolution No. 2008-07, A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Real Property, Lots 1 & 2 of Village One Phase One as filed with the Office of the Elko County Recorder File No. 444729 and located in Section 17, Township 33N., Range 70 E., M.D.B.&M. Lots 1 through 13 of Village One Phase Two as filed with the Office of the Elko County Recorder File No. 593098 and located in Section 17, Township 33 N., Range 70 E., M.D.B.&M.**

Chris Melville explained that he was presenting two resolutions with the difference being on resolution "B" there was a provision that would allow the City to waive the building permit fee. The waiving of the fee would be for people who buy a lot and then develop within one year. Chris went through the cost of the lots with Lots 1 & 2 of Village One Phase One are \$40,000.00, Lots 1-8 of Village One Phase Two are \$45,000.00 and Lots 9-13 of Village One Phase Two are \$40,000.00. The first sale would be June 17, 2008 with successful bidders having thirty days to close. For the lots that did not sell under the first sale the date would be July 15, 2008. General discussion was had regarding option B due to giving some incentive for people purchasing a lot. Council Member Christie made the motion to adopt Resolution #2008-07 version B, with the incentive for the discount on the building permits, a resolution authorizing the sale of real property, Lots 1 & 2 of Village One Phase One as filed with the Office of the Elko County Recorder File No. 444729 and located in Section 17, Township 33N., Range 70 E., M.D.B.&M. and Lots 1 through 13 of Village One Phase Two as filed with the Office of the Elko County Recorder File NO. 593098 and located in Section 17, Township 33 N., 70 E., M.D.B.&M. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

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

***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 on possible locations for political signs on public property, including on the south side of Wendover Boulevard between Wells Avenue and Red Garter Street, possibly on the north side of Wendover Boulevard also between Wells Avenue and Red Garter Street, and along a portion of Florence Way. This item will be forwarded until the next meeting so that an aerial map can be provided to mark locations. 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.

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

8. NEW BUSINESS

***a. Discussion and Decision Regarding Contribution to the Community Incentives Program for the West Wendover Schools Teacher Hiring Program and Longevity Program and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Chris Melville explained that he received a copy of a memo stating that under their contracts they cannot give a bonus but it could be given by a private source. 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. Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve \$1,500.00 for the contribution to the community incentives program for the West Wendover School Teachers program for the nine positions, priority being English, Math, Science, Special Education and ESL, and direction for Chris Melville to work on the incentive community package. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

Discussion was had regarding the new policy in Tooele County School District for the Wendover Schools concerning drug testing for all sports program and random testing for the rest of the schools.

It was stated that the bonus would be given out at the second meeting in August.

***b. Discussion and Decision with Regard to Unit Age Restriction for Sun Communities, Desert View Mobile Home Park and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

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. Chris stated that when the park had been built the owners stated that only new units would be allowed in the park but have been unable to completely fill the park. General discussion was had regarding the pros and cons for allowing older units in the park but certain requirements would have to be met in order to be allowed, and what type of enforcement would take place. Council Member Christie made the motion to allowing home that are up to ten years old, with ten years the new age restriction for Sun Communities, Desert View Mobile Home Park. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

***c. Discussion and Decision Regarding Options for Blending Culinary Water into Effluent Water for Use at Toana Vista Golf Course and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Bryce Kimber explained that after the joint meeting with the Recreation District he had been directed to look at options for blending the culinary and effluent water for use at Toana Vista Golf Course. There were three options (see attached), which included blending at the reclaim tank, blending at the culinary flume or installing a pump at the manhole down from the culinary flume. Of the three options the third would be the lowest cost. General discussion was had regarding the options that had been presented, if the golf course has had the opportunity to look at the options, and which option would be the best at this time. Council Member E. Carter made the motion to approve option 3 the culinary flume pumping for the blending of culinary water into effluent water for use at Toana Vista Golf Course. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

***d. Discussion and Decision Regarding the Adoption of the Elko County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Jeff Knudtson explained that the plan must be accepted by every agency in Nevada in order to be able to mitigate any future problems in the State, County or City that may occur. Council Member Gorum made the motion to adopt the Elko County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion was seconded by Council Member Christie and passed unanimously.

***e. Discussion and Decision Regarding Approval of a Change in the Testing and Promotion Policy for Sergeants and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Ron Supp explained that the current policy is good if there is a large department but does not work for a smaller department. Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the change in the testing and promotion policy for Sergeants and other matters appropriately related thereto. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

***f. Discussion and Decision Regarding Approval of a Change in the Electronic Control Weapons Policy and Other Matters Appropriately Related Thereto**

Ron Supp explained that these changes have occurred due to the new instruction. Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the change in the electronic control weapons policy. The motion was seconded by Council Member Briggs and passed unanimously.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

1) **NOTICE**, is hereby given that the City Council of the City of West Wendover, State of Nevada, will hold a public hearing at a regular meeting to be held on **May 6, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.** in the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room, located at 590 Camper Drive. The purpose of this hearing is to consider a variance.

DESCRIPTION:

Variance: Abel Cerna; property located in a Residential (R-1) Zone.

- 1) **To adjust the minimum rear yard setback on the Southern property line from ten (10) feet to three (3) feet, for the construction of a carport:**

The property description is: Lot # 6, Block K, as shown on the Official Plat of West Wendover Highlands Unit No. 3, as filed in the Office of the Elko County Recorder, and situated in Section 17, Township 33 North, Range 70 East, M.D.B.&M. , Elko County, Nevada. Located at 1831 Canyon Street, West Wendover, Nevada 89883.

All comments regarding this matter will be considered at the public hearing. Please contact the Community Development Department at (775) 664-3081 if there are any questions.

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

It was stated that this was for the construction of a shed. Discussion was had regarding a shed next to the area for the proposed shed. It was stated that that shed had been there before the home had been bought but this would add another shed.

Due to no further 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 or Denial of Variance Located at 1831 Canyon Street**

Council Member Christie made the motion to approve the variance located at 1831 Canyon Street. The motion was seconded by Council Member J. Carter and passed unanimously.

Consent Calendar item b heard next, see above.

2) **NOTICE**, is hereby given that the City Council of the City of West Wendover, State of Nevada, will hold a public hearing at a regular meeting to be held on **May 6, 2008 at 7:45**

p.m. in the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room, located at 590 Camper Drive. The purpose of this hearing is to consider a variance.

DESCRIPTION:

Variance: Julie & Teodulo Sandoval; property located in a Residential (R-1) Zone.

- 1) **To adjust the minimum side yard setback on the Northern property line from seven and one half (7 ½) feet to three (3) feet, for the construction of a two-level deck:**

The property description is: Lot #41, as shown on the Official Plat of the West Wendover Highlands Unit No. 8, as filed in the Office of the Elko County Recorder, and situated in Section 17, Township 33 North, Range 70 East, M.D.B. & M., Elko County, Nevada. Located at 2022 Canyon Street, West Wendover, Nevada 89883.

All comments regarding this matter will be considered at the public hearing. Please contact the Community Development Department at (775) 664-3081 if there are any questions.

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

It was stated that this was for the construction of a carport. Discussion was had regarding whether a four foot easement was needed instead of a three foot. It was explained that there could be a hangover and the three foot easement would be required.

Due to no further 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 or Denial of Variance Located at 2022 Canyon Street**

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve to adjust the minimum side yard setback on the Northern property line from seven and one half feet to three feet for the construction of a carport at 2022 Canyon Street. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

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

10. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Fire Chief – Jeff Knudtson had nothing to add to memo, which stated that we are currently working with State Emergency Management on rewriting the EOP for the City. The State is trying to make all the plans the same. A grant has been submitted with Homeland Security for a portion of the Chiefs wages. The memo further stated that Jeremy Loncar is back to work and will be advertising for a new hire to begin July 1st.

Police Chief – Ron Supp had nothing to add to memo, which stated that the new patrol vehicles would be online by May 12, 2008. There is one vacancy for a patrol officer but an offer had been extended to a potential candidate. The installation of the new computer system is scheduled for the week of May 26, 2008 with training occurring during part of that week and possibly some of the next.

The department responded to the following for the months of March and April.

Calls for Service	442 (March)	419 (April)
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Adult Arrests	21 (March)	25 (April)
Warrants Served	16 (March)	8 (April)
Juvenile Arrests	0 (March)	3 (April)
Citations Issued	105 (March)	105 (April)
Field Interviews	43 (March)	64 (April)
Transports	18 (March)	17 (April)
Civil Papers Served	75 (March)	50 (April)

City Clerk/Records Officer – Nothing.

Chief Financial Officer – Leon Flinders stated that currently working on the budget augmentations to have ready for the June 3rd meeting.

Public Works Director – Bryce Kimber had nothing to add to memo, which stated that even though the department had been shorthanded did manage to get Leppy Hills ready for the grand opening. There have been some water pressure issues on the West end of the City that have had to be addressed. There has been some cleanup on the bike path along Florence Way. The contractor has installed the hand rail on the Wendover Boulevard by Red Garter Casino. Some work had been done in the well fields to prepare for the scheduled power outage.. Various street signs have been replaced throughout the City.

City Manager – Chris Melville explained that the prize giveaway for the Tread Lightly would be on May 19th at 6 p.m. at Leppy Hills. On May 16th and 17th there would be a trash-a-thon where non-profit or school groups could earn \$2.00 for a full bag. The Breast Brigade would be having a 5k walk on May 24th at 10 a.m. at Leppy Hills. On May 31st from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Welcome Center parking lot would be a business showcase with proceeds going toward school playground equipment. Chris thanked everyone for participating in the FAM Tour. Chris explained that at the meeting on May 20th would be the final approval for Sycamore. Chris explained that hopefully by the end of the week should have a response from USDA regarding the City Hall project. One of the budget augmentations would be to allow for the striping of the streets before the weather gets to warm. Spring cleanup would be from May 12th through May 23rd.

11. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Christie stated that it is currently the signup period for the election. There are two City Council seats, Mayor and three Recreation District Members up for election. Discussion was had regarding adding the location to sign up for office and to add the Recreation District seats to the flyer put out by the City.

Council Member Briggs asked about the ECEDA flyer that discusses the Industrial Park.

Council Member J. Carter explained that he had attended a restructuring meeting at the elementary school earlier today but there would be two more on Wednesday and Thursday at 4 p.m. The meeting had to do with what steps to take on resizing classes to meet AYP and how to have more parent involvement. Council Member J. Carter thanked the Council for making the last few years very worthy and he is going to miss it.

Council Member E. Carter stated that the first 4th of July meeting would be May 8th at 3:30 p.m. at the City Offices. Mayor Thaut stated that she would be going before the Recreation District to ask for a donation for the 4th of July.

Council Member Gorum stated that he would be going to the Elko County Recreation District meeting to sign the budget. Council Member Gorum stated that Wendover Nugget is now on the flight program with Peppermill Properties.

Mayor Thaut stated that there was a good turnout for Cinco de Mayo, and there was a booth there for the PA to check blood pressure and guess how many beans in the jar to win a physical. Mayor Thaut stated that there would probably do something similar at the 4th of July. Mayor Thaut stated that Chris Melville did a great job with Cinco de Mayo.

12. ***APPROVAL OF THE CLAIMS:**

Council Member Gorum made the motion to approve the claims for May 6, 2008 and the April hand checks. The motion was seconded by Council Member E. Carter and passed unanimously.

13. *NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting date is a regular meeting on May 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the West Wendover Library, Pilot Peak Room. Council Member E. Carter made the motion to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Christie and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome
City Clerk/Records Officer