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# Minutes of the Bountiful City Council Meeting City Council Chambers September 8, 1999 - 7:00 p.m.

Present:	Mayor	John R. Cushing
	Council Members	Samuel R. Fowler, Barbara Holt, Alan A. Johnson, Stewart Knowlton, and C. Harold Shafter
	City Manager	Tom Hardy
	City Attorney	Russell Mahan
	City Engineer	Paul Rowland
	City Recorder:	Kim Coleman
	Planning/RDA Director:	Blaine Gehring
	Dept. Heads:	Jerry Lemon, Fire Clifford Michaelis, Power Paul Rapp, Police
	Recording Secretary	Nancy T. Lawrence

Official Notice of this meeting had been given by posting a written notice of same and an Agenda at the City Hall and providing copies to the following newspapers of general circulation: Davis County Clipper, Deseret News, and Salt Lake Tribune.

Mayor Cushing called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Councilman Shafter led the pledge of allegiance to the flag, following which the invocation was offered by Councilwoman Holt .

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 25, 1999 were presented and unanimously approved as written on a motion made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilwoman Holt . Councilpersons Fowler, Holt, Johnson, Knowlton and Shafter all voted "Aye".

### **EXPENDITURES, EXPENSES, AND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

#### **APPROVED FOR PERIODS AUGUST 20 - 26, 1999 & AUGUST 27 - SEPT. 2, 1999**

Mayor Cushing presented the reports of Expenditures and Expenses Greater than \$1,000 for the period August 20-26, 1999 in the amount of \$379,674.58 and the period August 27 - September 2, 1999 in the amount of \$931,208.01. Following discussion, Councilman Shafter made a motion to approve these two reports, Councilman Fowler seconded the motion, and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye".

### **COUNCIL APPROVES PURCHASE OF IN-CAR VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Rapp presented a request from the Police Department for six (6) In-Car Video

1 Systems that would be used by police officers whenever their emergency lights are activated.  
2 These cameras would record day-to-day functions of the police officer during traffic stops, DUI  
3 enforcement, and arrests. He said that this technology has received a very positive response  
4 from the court system. These systems are presently in use in other Davis County cities, and it  
5 was noted that Bountiful Police Department pioneered the first in-car video system in the early  
6 1980's. Following discussion, Councilman Shafter made a motion to accept the bid from Skaggs  
7 Telecommunications for a unit cost of \$4,845, including installation (\$29,070 total).  
8 Councilman Johnson seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Councilpersons Shafter,  
9 Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye".

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11 **THREE BIDS APPROVED FOR POWER DEPARTMENT**

12 Mr. Michaelis reported that bids were requested for solid state **residential electricity**  
13 **meters** with radio reads and Lexan covers. He explained that these meters can be read from the  
14 sidewalk or street and will be used in the newly annexed area. This area was selected to use the  
15 remote meters in because meter reading involves *only* power and *not* water meters as is done in  
16 the majority of the City. It is the recommendation of the Power Commission and staff to accept  
17 the bid from Riter Engineering Company for \$62,640.00 (864 meters at \$72.50 per meter). The  
18 bid is good for one year. The budget includes \$58,000 for conversion in the newly annexed area  
19 and \$45,000 for new meters. Councilman Fowler made a motion to approve the bid from Riter  
20 Engineering, as presented. Councilman Shafter seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.  
21 Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye".

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23 Mr. Michaelis explained that in an effort to meet future long-term power system  
24 communication needs and as a first step toward a "local area" City-owned optic network,  
25 Bountiful City Light and Power has obtained **bids for fiber optic static wire and associated**  
26 **hardware**. The fiber optic static wire and associated hardware are to be installed on the 46kV  
27 transmission line that is to be rebuilt under Phase III of the 46kV line rebuild project. Five  
28 vendors submitted bids and it is recommended by staff and the Power Commission that the  
29 lowest responsive bid from Western States for \$31,693.50 be approved. Councilman Fowler  
30 made a motion to award the bid to Western States, as recommended. Councilman Shafter  
31 seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler,  
32 and Knowlton voted "aye".

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34 As part of the 46kV transmission line reconstruction project, bids were requested for the  
35 **construction of four (4) drilled pier concrete foundations (for the steel poles) and for the**  
36 **vertical installation of 46 culverts (4' x 12')** as supports for the wood poles. Three bids were  
37 received and it is the recommendation of staff and the Power Commission that the low bid from  
38 BECHO in the amount of \$93,440.00 be approved. Councilman Fowler made a motion to this  
39 effect, Councilwoman Holt seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons  
40 Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye".

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44 **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL**  
45 **GRANTED FOR PARKING LOT BEHIND MANDARIN RESTAURANT,**

1 **900 NORTH AND 400 EAST**

2 Mr. Rowland explained that as a result of the success of the Mandarin Restaurant and the  
3 Excel Fitness facility at 900 North 400 East, there has become a parking problem along 900  
4 North street each evening as patrons converge on the two businesses. As a remedy for the  
5 parking problems, the City and the owners of the building and the two businesses have worked  
6 together and the construction of a new parking lot is proposed. The City has agreed to provide  
7 City-owned property (south and west of said businesses) and build the parking lot, in exchange  
8 for the building/business owners entering into a lease agreement to reimburse the City the up-  
9 front costs. Following a lengthy study process, the Planning Commission recommends  
10 preliminary and final site plan approval, subject to the following conditions:

- 11 1. Vinyl fencing around the lot as shown on the plan.
- 12 2. Reduced landscaping between the parking lot and the fence to 5 ft. as shown on  
13 the drawing (as required by ordinance).
- 14 3. All employees of both facilities be required to use the parking lot in the rear.
- 15 4. Require that all screen trees and landscaping be done according to the ordinance.
- 16 5. Provide adequate security lighting in the rear parking lot with timers and/or some  
17 type of dimming system. Place motion detector lights on building and/or fence.

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19 Mr. Rowland indicated that he has concerns with the last three items. He said that he  
20 feels No. 3 is not enforceable. Because of the steep grade between the level of the proposed  
21 parking lot and the existing ground where the fence will be placed, trees along the west and  
22 south sides would be difficult to plant and maintain. Inasmuch as there are no homes behind  
23 these areas, the trees would serve little purpose and he recommended to the Planning  
24 Commission that this requirement not be included. He said he supports the requirement for  
25 security lighting, but not the use of dimmer switches or motion sensors.

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27 Councilwoman Holt suggested that No. 3 could be included as a recommendation, not a  
28 requirement. Following discussion regarding the trees, it was noted that the trees would further  
29 complicate security and the Council considered making an exception to the screen tree  
30 requirement as outlined in the ordinance. Following further discussion, Councilwoman Holt  
31 made a motion to grant preliminary and final site plan approval for the new parking lot, subject  
32 to conditions 1 and 2 above, that items 3 and 4 be presented as recommendations, and item 5  
33 above being modified to require security lighting *activated by darkness, without motion*  
34 *detectors*. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.  
35 Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted “aye”.

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37 Councilwoman Holt publicly thanked the owner of the business property (Mr. Winegar,  
38 not present at the meeting) for “stepping up to the plate” and working with the City in attempting  
39 to remedy this parking problem. She said that he “deserves the commendation of this  
40 community.”

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42 **COOPERATIVE PARKING LOT AT VIEWMONT HIGH SCHOOL**

43 Mr. Rowland explained that there is a terrible parking problem around all of the high  
44 schools in Bountiful, and in particular along 200 West street near Viewmont High School. He  
45 noted that the Traffic Safety Committee has been approached a number of times by residents  
46 concerned with students parking in front of their homes and the danger of parking on such a busy  
47 street. He went on to explain that as a part of the Viewmont Well pump house, the Water  
48 Department included funds in this year’s budget to construct a paved access and small parking  
49 lot adjacent to the new pump house. Mr. Rowland and the Viewmont High School principal  
50 have discussed the parking situation, and it is recommended that a cooperative project be done

1 that would widen the access road to full parking lot width which could be used by students. It  
2 would accommodate approximately fifty parking spaces in the area north of the existing tennis  
3 courts. Viewmont's principal has indicated that the high school is willing to participate in the  
4 project and contribute the additional \$17,000 to complete the \$27,000 project. (The Water  
5 Department has \$10,000 in the budget for the original access road). Staff recommends that the  
6 Council approve the expenditure of the Water Department funds and participate in the  
7 cooperative parking lot/access way project. Following discussion, Councilman Shafter made a  
8 motion to approve the \$27,000 project, with the City paying \$10,000 and Viewmont High School  
9 paying \$17,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson and carried unanimously.  
10 Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye". It is planned that  
11 the Street Department will do this work this fall.

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13 **COUNCIL APPROVES PROPOSAL FOR REPLACEMENT**  
14 **OF DEFECTIVE COMPRESSOR FOR PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

15 Mr. Rowland explained that one of the two compressors that operate the police/courts  
16 building cooling system has failed and needs to be replaced. Representatives from the  
17 manufacturer and local suppliers have been out to inspect the compressor and are unanimous in  
18 their official declaration that options such as rebuilding the existing compressor would be more  
19 expensive than replacing it. Three proposals have been received for this work and it is the staff  
20 recommendation to accept the proposal from Mechanical Service and Systems, Inc. in the  
21 amount of \$23,950.00.

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23 Discussion followed regarding the failure of this relatively new equipment, which should  
24 have a normal life of 10-15 years. Mr. Rowland explained that there is a lot of "finger pointing"  
25 between the manufacturer, contractor, and maintenance crew. He also noted that the second  
26 compressor is also showing signs of failure. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the  
27 recommendation of staff to accept the MSS, Inc. proposal in the amount of \$24,950.00.  
28 Councilman Shafter seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Shafter,  
29 Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted "aye".

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31 **COUNCIL APPROVES ADOPTION OF POLICY ON**  
32 **WINTER STREET EXCAVATIONS**

33 Mr. Rowland explained that each fall the Engineering Department sends a letter to all  
34 utility companies that have facilities in Bountiful City streets informing them that excavation  
35 permits will not be issued during the late fall to early summer months except under certain  
36 circumstances. The moratorium includes all new construction and reconstruction except to  
37 connect services that must be connected during that time or in streets that are scheduled for  
38 major work the following summer. The rationale for this policy is that after October 15<sup>th</sup> hot  
39 mix asphalt becomes harder to get, and with colder weather, trench patching is much less  
40 effective. Also, after the irrigation companies have drained their lines, if an uncharged line is  
41 damaged, it is not discovered until the water is put back in the lines in the spring and additional  
42 work/street damage is required to fix it. In an effort to strengthen the practice as explained  
43 above, Mr. Rowland requested that the Council adopt the winter street excavation policy.  
44 Councilman Shafter made a motion to accept the policy as presented, commencing October 15,  
45 1999 and going through April 1, 2000. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and voting

1 was unanimous. Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted “aye”.

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3 **COUNCIL APPROVES RE-ROOF OF FIRE STATION #92**

4 Chief Lemon reported that bids were requested to re-roof Fire Station #92, including  
5 soffit and fascia, siding and trim, and rain gutter where necessary. Five contractors submitted  
6 bids and it is recommended that the bid from Bird Enterprises in the amount of \$20,196.00 be  
7 approved. This bid is within budget. Councilman Johnson made a motion to accept the bid as  
8 requested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shafter and voting was unanimous.  
9 Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton voted “aye”.

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11 **COUNCIL APPROVES PURCHASE OF AIR PACKS**  
12 **AND CARBON CYLINDERS - FIRE DEPARTMENT**

13 Chief Lemon reported that last year the Fire Department budgeted for and purchased 26  
14 Survivair Sigma air packs with carbon fiber cylinders. This model has a six-year warranty and  
15 minimal maintenance. L. N. Curtis and Sons is offering to sell the Fire Department additional air  
16 packs and bottles at last year’s price. He explained that if all the air packs are the same, the  
17 maintenance is easier. The staff recommends purchasing 8 complete air packs and 12 carbon  
18 cylinder bottles, at a total cost of \$35,804.00. This cost is within budget. Councilman Shafter  
19 motioned to approve the purchase as requested. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion  
20 which carried unanimously. Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and Knowlton  
21 voted “aye”.

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23 **OPERATIONAL REVIEW OF FIRE DEPARTMENT**

24 Chief Lemon introduced Mike Barfuss (Assistant Chief/Fire Marshall), Bob Stell  
25 (Captain) and Blaine Porter (Lieutenant) and noted that each individual would give a portion of  
26 the operational review of the Fire Department. Mr. Barfuss reviewed the Department’s Mission  
27 Statement, as follows: *“To provide the best possible services to the community in protecting and*  
28 *preserving life, property and the environment through proper planning, prevention, education,*  
29 *training and response. We are committed to excellence in the efficient and professional*  
30 *performance of these services.”* The major functions of the Fire Department are (1) fire  
31 operations, (2) emergency medical services and (3) public education in fire prevention.

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33 Mr. Porter reviewed the training requirements to become certified as a firefighter, which  
34 is mandated by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). After basic training is  
35 completed, additional certifications are available which are not required, but many personnel  
36 have taken advantage of to improve their knowledge and skills. These additional certifications  
37 include: Apparatus Driver Operator, Inspector, Instructor, Hazardous Materials Technician,  
38 Investigator, Officer, Wildland Fire. All certifications must be renewed every 3 years.

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42 The Fire Department is composed of 16 full-time employees and 34 volunteer firemen. It  
43 is housed in two stations, each equipped with various capacity fire engines and an ambulance.  
44 Both stations are manned 24-hours per day.  
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1 Mr. Stell reviewed the history of the EMT program in Bountiful and the training  
2 requirements. He noted that to become an intermediate level EMT is similar to paramedic  
3 training and requires 300 hours of training. It is the goal of the fire department to increase the  
4 number of full-time personnel to accomplish 4-person manning 24-hours/day; and to  
5 accommodate the increase in population, and senior citizen housing and medical services in  
6 Bountiful. Future issues include the possibility of relocating Station No. 92 to be more central to  
7 the area that it services and placing paramedics in the fire department. A separation of EMS and  
8 fire services has also been considered, which would make it easier to hire part-time firefighters.  
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10 Mr. Barfuss concluded the presentation by thanking Chief Lemon for his professionalism  
11 and expertise in leading the Fire Department, and also expressing appreciation to the Mayor and  
12 Council for their support. He announced that the Fire Department will hold its annual Open  
13 House on October 4-5, 1999.  
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15 **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

16 Councilman Johnson reported that the Youth City Council held their service activity and  
17 cleaned up the North Canyon Park area.  
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19 The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Johnson and  
20 seconded by Councilman Knowlton. Councilpersons Shafter, Johnson, Holt, Fowler, and  
21 Knowlton voted "aye".  
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25 JOHN R. CUSHING, Mayor  
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29 KIM J. COLEMAN, City Recorder  
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