

**Minutes of the  
Bountiful City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers  
February 26, 2002 -7:00 p.m.**

Present: Mayor: Joe L. Johnson  
Council Members: Barbara Holt, R. Fred Moss, John S. Pitt, J.  
Gordon Thomas, and Thomas Tolman  
City Manager: Tom Hardy  
City Attorney: Russell Mahan  
City Engineer: Paul Rowland  
Admin. Services Dir.: Galen Rasmussen  
Department Representatives: Neal Jenkins, Parks/Recreation  
George Sumner, Fire  
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 Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. following which Alex Densley, visiting Boy Scout, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The invocation was offered by Lynn Arbuckle.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held February 12, 2002 will be presented for approval at the next regular meeting.

**EXPENDITURES, EXPENSES, AND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

There were no expenditure reports presented for approval.

**UPDATE ON PROPOSED PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

Phill Wright, representing the Bountiful Performing Arts Council, reviewed that the cultural arts groups in the County have organized and received a grant from the National Endowment of Arts. This grant will be used to study the needs of the County regarding patronage of a performing arts center(s). The results of this study will give direction to the Rogers Memorial Theater, Layton Arts Council and the Bountiful Arts Council regarding physical facilities.

In the meantime, the Bountiful Arts Council is proposing that the conversion of the Indoor Pool to a performing arts center be done in phases and that the public be involved in fund raising. In the meantime, it is suggested that the risers and stage which have been used in the Bountiful Davis Art Center be moved to the basement of the City Hall for a temporary home for the Performing Arts group, noting that proceeds from their productions could assist with generating support for a permanent facility. He stated that there are 150 fairly new theater seats and three sets of curtains in the Art Center which could also be moved. He requested the support of the Council for this proposal. He said that the renovation would be kept simple, necessary

permits would be obtained (electrical, heating, etc.) and labor would be donated. The matter of access for the handicapped was discussed, as well as fire codes. He said that the group was hopeful of completing this project by April, in time for their next production.

Mr. Hardy indicated a willingness on the part of the City to work with the group. However, he noted that architectural plans would need to be provided before a rationale decision could be made regarding proposed renovation. Following discussion by the Council, Mr. Mahan suggested that a written document explaining what they want to do be presented to the City for the staff to review. Councilman Pitt suggested that the BDAC provide this information as soon as possible to expedite the proposed project.

**ORD. NO. 2002-04 ADOPTED RE: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
EMERGENCY COST RECOVERY**

Chief Sumner reviewed that the Bountiful City Fire Department provides a baseline level of service funded by the general fund. However, the costs for handling hazardous materials is an extraordinary service which should be funded through user fees or other cost recovery methods. In the past the Fire Department has attached a user fee for this service, but the City has not had an ordinance which backs up this policy. In conjunction with other municipalities in the County, it is recommended that an ordinance be adopted which gives authority for the user fees.

Council discussion followed regarding payment of the user fee as it relates to insurance, how the fees are charged, etc. Ordinance No. 2002-04 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOUNTIFUL CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECOVERY OF EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE CITY IN RESPONDING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCIES** was presented and Councilman Thomas motioned to adopt it. Councilwoman Holt seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Holt, Moss, Pitt, Thomas and Tolman voted “aye”.

**GOLF COURSE RE-CARPET BID AWARDED TO  
KAY RILEY AND SONS CARPET, INC.**

Mr. Jenkins explained that bids were requested to re-carpet and replace the vinyl floor areas of the Club House at the Golf Course. Four vendors responded (with six bid variations) and it is recommended that the low bid from Kay Riley & Sons Carpet, Inc. in the amount of \$16,838.00, be approved. The staff at the golf course decided to reuse the best parts of the current carpet to recover the driving range and hall area, which led to a substantial savings over the initial budgeted amount of \$24,965.00. Mr. Jenkins responded to questions from the Council, following which Councilman Pitt made a motion to approve the bid from Kay Riley and Sons as recommended. Councilman Moss expressed appreciation for the frugality of the staff and then seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous with Councilpersons Holt, Moss, Pitt, Thomas and Tolman voting “aye”. Councilwoman Holt took opportunity to thank Mr. Jenkins for the terrific job which his staff did in support of the Olympic torch run and the fireworks display.

**TWIN D, INC. AWARDED CONTRACT FOR  
STORM DRAIN CLEANING AND VIDEO INSPECTION**

Mr. Rowland reported that bids were opened last week for the annual video inspection of the storm drain system. He noted that the sanitary sewer account has had a revenue stream in the past and video taping has been done on that system. This will be the first time the storm drain

has been filmed, with funds coming from the recently implemented Storm Drain Utility account. Proposals were received from two companies and it is recommended that the low proposal from Twin D, Inc. (submitted in unit prices) be accepted, with a total contract value of \$30,000.00. Following discussion, Councilman Thomas motioned to approve the proposal from Twin D as proposed. Councilman Tolman seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Holt, Moss, Pitt, Thomas and Tolman voted "aye".

**SLURRY SEAL CONTRACT WITH MORGAN  
PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE EXTENDED FOR 2002 SEASON**

Mr. Rowland explained that when the slurry seal bid was awarded for the 2000 season, Morgan Pavement Maintenance was low bidder and performed the work for that year and did a very good job. Last year (2001) Morgan proposed to extend their bid for the 2001 contract year at a two percent increase. (With that increase, they were still six percent below the second low bidder in 2000). The City extended the contract for the 2001 year. Morgan Pavement has again approached the City with the request to extend their contract for the coming year, with NO increase from the 2001 price (\$0.068 per sq. ft.). The annual cost for the slurry seal project is about 12% of the total overlay material budget (approximately \$60,000). However, this coming year it is anticipated that a little more road surface will be covered and it is recommended that approval be given for a not to exceed contract of \$80,000.00. Mr. Rowland recommended that the current contract with Morgan Pavement Maintenance be extended for the 2002 construction season at the unit price of \$0.068 per sq. ft., not to exceed \$80,000.00. Councilman Pitt motioned to extend the contract as recommended. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Holt, Moss, Pitt, Thomas and Tolman voted "aye".

**APPROVE 2002-03 BUDGET CALENDAR AND GUIDELINE**

Mr. Hardy presented the proposed timetable for the 2002-03 budget calendar. He noted that during March each department head, in cooperation with staff, will prepare the budget for the department. Mr. Hardy will work with each department to bring the proposed budgets together in a balanced budget. Council Committee reviews are scheduled from April 15 to April 26, following which the tentative budget will be presented for Council adoption on May 14th.

Following adoption of the tentative budget, the Council will continue to refine the budget and go through the public hearing process on June 11, 2002. The final budget will be adopted following public input on June 18, 2002. At the time the budget is adopted, the Council also adopts ordinances setting the property tax rate and amending the 2001-2002 budget. Councilman Moss noted that he will be out of town the week of April 11-25 and the timetable for Council Committee reviews he is involved in was changed to April 22 - May 1.

Discussion followed regarding the anticipated position of City revenues for the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Mr. Hardy noted that compared to last year, sales tax is down about one percent and franchise tax is also down. Most department revenues are about the same, with the exception of a drop at the Recreation Department following 9-11, and a major loss of \$3.6 million at the Power Department due to the extremely high costs of energy.

**STUDY SESSION TO REVIEW AND SHARE VISIONS,**

## **GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE CITY**

Mayor Johnson invited the Council to participate with him in a sharing session to determine what the vision for the City is 10 - 15 years in the future. He suggested that the recreation center facilities are wearing out and replacement could be considered. Mr. Hardy said that the staff is tentatively planning to look at other recreation facilities in the greater Salt Lake area to get a feeling for what new facilities look like. Councilwoman Holt requested that costs be considered as this project is considered, inasmuch as it will most likely require issuance of a bond.

Mayor Johnson also suggested that the area around the "B" receive attention and perhaps be developed with a road connecting Bountiful Boulevard. Other areas of focus that the Mayor mentioned were Five Points, the JC Penney area, the Legacy Highway problem, and the cemetery.

Councilman Pitt pointed out that any considerations will depend on the economic position of the City and his focus would be on increasing sales tax revenue and things which can be done to encourage sales in Bountiful. He mentioned a museum, the theater (as previously discussed this evening) and other cultural improvements and noted that City and merchant support are critical to their success. Councilman Pitt asked if consideration could be given to adding an inline skate park as an additional recreation facility, a walking trail at the Fish Pond, and expansion of interactive e-government.

In addition to items already on the table, Councilman Thomas suggested that bike paths be developed and that more trees be planted at the cemetery. Councilwoman Holt pointed out that the City must not encroach on the role of the private sector and that tax dollars should be used for government services. She also reported that she has had numerous requests from citizens for walking and bicycling paths and she would like to see a Farmers Market organized. The need for an active merchants association was brought up several times, with the notion that the merchants must be committed to strengthening their business community, and then the City should give support.

Councilman Moss asked if a new Fire Department building might be considered. However, he recognized that with the many "pulls" on the budget, it will be difficult to balance wants and needs. He also pointed out that the Water/Sewer building is quite old. Councilman Tolman expressed a desire for an active historical society, featuring a museum. He emphasized that a critical part of leaving a legacy is to inform people about their past. He also suggested support for a Farmer's Market, and putting the Bountiful cemetery on line so that visitors can find the sites they are looking for.

Councilmen Pitt and Tolman commented that although the Council is thinking in terms of a "wish list", the City staff deserves to be complimented for the integrity of the infrastructure and how well the City is (has been) managed. Councilwoman Holt again pointed out that a distinction must be made between "wants" and "needs". Councilman Moss asked "What if" the slurry seal project planned for this year could be delayed for one year, as an example of delaying maintenance activities in an effort to accomplish additional goals. He also asked if the video

taping of the storm sewer could be delayed for a year. Councilman Pitt commented that the Council has a good consensus of things that could be done and that these projects must be approached as partnerships with private enterprise.

A short discussion followed regarding the petition submitted by a group of North Salt Lake residents for the road north and east of Eaglewood Drive to be closed. Mr. Hardy stated that a letter has been sent to the Mayor and City Manager of North Salt Lake explaining Bountiful's desire for the road to be kept open, both for convenience and emergency access. Councilman Thomas referred to the report on the Community of Promise which will be sent to National headquarters and Councilman Pitt noted that he and Mr. Gehring will be attending a conference regarding Main Street developments.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Thomas and seconded the Councilman Tolman.

JOE L. JOHNSON, Mayor

KIM J. COLEMAN, City Recorder

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