

**Minutes of the
Bountiful City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
June 10, 2003 - 7:00 p.m.**

Present:	Mayor:	Joe L. Johnson
	Council Members:	Barbara Holt, John S. Pitt, and Thomas Tolman
	City Manager:	Tom Hardy
	City Engineer:	Paul Rowland
	Admin. Services Director:	Galen Rasmussen
	Dept. Representatives:	Neal Jenkins, Parks/Recreation Clifford Michaelis, Power George Sumner, Fire Department
	Recording Secretary:	Nancy T. Lawrence
Excused:	Councilmembers:	R. Fred Moss, Gordon Thomas

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. and Mr. Rasmussen offered the opening prayer. Jeff Barnes, visiting Boy Scout from Troop 608, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 27, 2003 will be presented for approval at the next regular meeting.

APPROVE WEEKLY EXPENDITURES AND/OR MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORTS

Mayor Johnson presented the Report of Expenditures and Expenses Greater than \$1,000 for the period May 22 - 28, 2003 in the amount of \$900,567.80, and asked for questions. The Report was then approved as presented on a motion made by Councilman Tolman and seconded by Councilman Pitt. Councilpersons Holt, Pitt and Tolman voted "aye".

RETIREMENT OF LT. STAN BECKSTROM (FIRE DEPARTMENT) RECOGNIZED

Chief Sumner reviewed that Stan Beckstrom has worked as a Bountiful City fire fighter since August, 1976. He worked part-time initially and worked his way up to the rank of Captain (part-time). He said that Lt. Beckstrom has always taken advantage of opportunities to learn and has provided knowledge and insight in firefighting that have been critical to the success of the department. He became a lieutenant in the full-time force in 2002 and throughout his career has contributed greatly in commitment, knowledge, experience and a willingness to perform challenging work.

Lt. Beckstrom responded that it has been a privilege to be of service to the community and

to work with fellow firefighters on behalf of the citizens. Mayor Johnson expressed gratitude for the 27 years of service and recognized visiting family members. Mr. Hardy also acknowledged Lt. Beckstrom's contractor skills and the assistance he has given over the years in maintaining the fire stations. The Mayor and Mr. Hardy then presented Lt. Beckstrom with a watch and a gift certificate.

**APPROVAL GIVEN TO PURCHASE
STEEL DEAD-END STRUCTURE - POWER DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Michaelis reviewed that the Council approved the purchase of 3 dead-end structures in April for use on the Phase IV-A 46 kV line rebuild. It has become apparent that there is a need for a fourth steel dead-end structure for this project and the staff and Power Commission recommend approval. Valmont Industries (vendor previously approved, via bidding process) has indicated a willingness to extend the bid to a fourth unit. The total cost of the project, including the additional steel dead-end structure, would be \$56,291. This is not a budgeted item for this year (2002-03), but must be ordered in advance to be ready for work in the fall of 2003, when it is budgeted.

Mayor Johnson stated that Councilman Moss had spoken to him about this request and is supportive of it. Councilman Pitt motioned to approve the purchase of a fourth dead-end structure, as requested. Councilwoman Holt seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. Councilpersons Holt, Pitt and Tolman voted "aye".

**PUBLIC HEARING TO RE-OPEN THE 2002-03
FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**

At 7:20 p.m. Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing to consider re-opening the 2002-03 fiscal year budget. Mr. Hardy stated that several departments exceeded their original 2002-03 budgets due to circumstances that occurred during the fiscal year and it is necessary to amend the budget. He reviewed the proposed changes to revenue and expenditures, which totaled \$1,043,000 in the General Fund and \$1,392,000 in the Capital Projects Fund. The majority of changes were the result of the newly enacted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Rule #34 and basically a reclassification. The Enterprise Funds had revenue changes of \$451,000 and expense changes of \$246,000. The Internal Service Funds included a change in Liability Insurance Fund of \$75,000 and the worker's Compensation Fund of \$50,000. Official action regarding these changes will be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Sherman Fuller, citizen, commended the City Council, Mayor and employees for doing the best they can, without increasing taxes. He also asked about the City's "Rainy Day" funds and Mr. Hardy reviewed the status of the reserve funds.

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE 2003-04
FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**

Mr. Hardy presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2003-04 in the amount of \$54,453,000 (before Interfund Transfers) which is up about \$2,000,000 over last year's budget. The Net Budget after transfers is \$42,016,789.00. By taking out the impact of GASB 34 on the upcoming budget, the increase is about \$1,000,000, or two percent. He noted that there is no increase in personnel, no tax increase, no increase in utility rates, and appropriate attention has been given to maintaining the integrity of the infrastructure. Mr. Hardy noted that Bountiful's utility rates are among the lowest in the State for cities comparable in size and Bountiful has the

lowest property tax rate of the largest 25 cities in the State. The new facility for the Fire Department Headquarters station is the largest capital expenditure for 2003-04. Although plans are underway for a new Recreational Complex, there is no allocation for this in the budget. However, plans are moving ahead to put together a financial plan that will include other government entities.

The proposed budget includes a modest fee increase for the golf course (effective January 2004) and a slight increase in cemetery lot costs.

At 7:45 p.m. Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing regarding the proposed 2003-04 budget. Donald King asked if reserve funds had been used by the Power Department. Mr. Hardy and Mr. Michaelis explained how those funds were used to offset the unanticipated increase in the cost of purchased power since May of 2000. A short discussion followed regarding fuel costs and the outlook for the Power Department.

Theresa Call thanked the City employees for their quick response when a water line broke at her home. She then asked about the new GASB Rule (No. 34) and its impact on the budget. Mayor Johnson commended Mr. Hardy for his expertise in managing the budget process and to the departments for their cooperation and assistance.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Johnson asked if any consideration has been given to restrictions on fireworks. It was noted that this matter will be addressed and advertised to citizens.

Mr. Hardy also noted that staff has prepared a draft of proposed hillside development issues which will be presented to the Planning Commission next week. Following review by the Council and a public hearing, it is hoped that this amendment can be in place by the end of August.

Councilman Pitt reported that the Bountiful Merchants organization will be meeting tomorrow night at 7 p.m. in the Planning Conference room and he invited the Council and Mr. Hardy to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Tolman and Seconded by Councilwoman Holt. Voting was unanimous with Councilpersons Holt, Pitt and Tolman voting "aye".

JOE L. JOHNSON, Mayor

KIM J. COLEMAN, City Recorder

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