Minutes of the meeting of the City Council of West Bountiful City held on Tuesday,
April 20, 2010 at West Bountiful City Hall, Davis County, Utah

Those in Attendance

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth Romney, George Biada, John Baza, James Bruhn, Mark Preece. Valerie Shaw was excused.

STAFF PRESENT: Craig Howe (City Administrator), Heidi Voordeekers (City Recorder), Randy Lloyd (Chief of Police), Nathalie Ellingson (secretary).


Called to Order:

Mayor Kenneth Romney of West Bountiful City called this meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Invocation/Thought: Thought given by John Baza.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Bruhn.

1. Accept Agenda

Mayor Romney suggested skipping the Engineering Report since they had gotten information in the work session and Ben White was not present.

MOTION: James Bruhn moved to accept the agenda, striking Item 9, Engineering Report.

SECOND: George Biada seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
Mark Preece – Aye
James Bruhn – Aye
John Baza – Aye
George Biada – Aye

2. Public Comment

Kelly Enquist thanked Chief Lloyd and the West Bountiful Police Department for an incident Friday night which could have gotten out of hand. A party with 100 people started at 10:00 pm, and it was wrapped up by 12:30 am, thanks to the police.

Presentation by Daneen Adams
Of Family Connection Center
Daneen is the Director of Development and Marketing of the Family Connection Center, which is the largest community action program serving Davis County. Their purpose is to empower families to overcome poverty and abuse. They provide a food bank, transitional housing, and support for families in difficult situations. They provide case workers when needed and help parents improve their education. Their success rate is very good; in one year, only 3% of clients returned to the program once they had left. Daneen is asking city councils to support them; $1,000 from each city in Davis County would cover their costs. Individuals can donate on the website (familyconnection4u.org), at Bountiful High School, or at the Davis County Fair. Mark asked that information be sent to him and he will include it in the next newsletter.

4.
Youth Council Report

Lauren Biada, Youth Council Mayor, gave the report. They held an Easter egg drop on April 11th, which was very successful. The first week of May has been declared Youth Week by the Order of Elks. The Youth Council is going to put up a board in the front of City Hall, highlighting what they do.

5.
Police Report.

Chief Randy Lloyd presented the report. They will be changing the report, making it easier to review. The bicycle patrol will be up and running soon. Last Sunday they had a class regarding police biking. The department has been invited to apply for COPS grants. Although they were not awarded any last year, they will go ahead and apply in June. They are looking forward to having the POP unit in place soon. Two other cities have shown interest in having POP units.

6.
Planning Commission Report

The meeting was cancelled and Valerie Shaw, who is the member of council involved with the Planning Commission, was not present. Mayor Romney stated that he has heard resident complaints regarding noise, and suggested they readdress the beautification ordinance or work on a nuisance ordinance.

7.
Presentation by the Freedom’s Light Foundation.

Members of Freedom’s Light Foundation Dalane England, Becky Paulson, Silvia Perkins, and Phill Wright, presented their plans for a Celebration of the Constitution to be held September 17 and 18, 2010, and they reported on the celebration that was held last
September. There is a federal law that all schools receiving federal money must observe Constitution Day with lessons on the Constitution, and this celebration is a good way to teach it. Last year many school classes attended, as well as families. They have an Ellis Island event where visitors can learn about the experience of immigrants. They have a Jamestown exhibit where volunteers dress in period costumes. They also have people in costume representing famous historical figures and the founding fathers wander among the visitors and talk with them. They have a Constitution Bowl that all the schools, including home schools, participate in. They had 150 volunteers last year, 100 of whom were youth, and they invited the West Bountiful Youth Council to participate in this year’s celebration. Their requests to the council were that they would like council members to help with the “swearing in” ceremony at the Ellis Island exhibit, they want cities to advertise the event in their newsletters, and they are asking each city to donate $500.


Heidi Voerdecker’s – sales tax is still down 9%, but the entire state of Utah was down 12.3%. West Bountiful has good anchor stores that provide a cushion. A report was included from The League of Cities and Towns that addresses sales tax in detail. The city’s net revenue exceeded expenditures for the first time this year. The court receipts for April were $17,000 due in part to the additional work done by the police department. James Bruhn asked if the garbage fee to Wasatch Integrated is per household or per call. Heidi says it is per can lift, and the cost is $5.25 per can per month. Accounting checks the bills each month to make sure they are consistent.

9. Engineering Report

Tabled.

10. Administrative Report

Craig Howe – Council is invited to visit with Davis County School District at a luncheon to discuss common issues in general, which will be at the school administrative building in Farmington on May 5th at noon.

The city got surplus from a police vehicle that they removed the markings from and sold “as is.”

They are finalizing the education to be provided to residents regarding curbside recycling, along with informing them of the opting out option.

Craig and Chief Lloyd participated in a D.A.R.E. graduation last Friday. He recognized the work of the children involved and of the D.A.R.E. officer, Officer Wall.
Recap on committees – Craig stated he appreciates the council’s work on the committees. He attended a public works committee meeting, the finance committee is working on the budget, the communications committee is getting the newsletter ready for June 1st, the public safety committee is working on the POP program and the bicycle program.

Craig said he drove through the city and noticed the beautiful homes and yards, and said they sometimes focus too much on the few problems.

11. Mayor/City Council Reports

George Biada attended a public works meeting where they were working on a schedule of fees for the city, and discussed a penalty fee for people who misappropriate water. The golf course committee was scheduled to meet Wednesday. Mike Bicker had asked about security cameras and George had tested a camera which worked well. They are putting a proposal together. He was encouraged about the information they had received regarding the well.

John Baza had not attended any transportation meetings since the last council meeting, but he had attended an economic development meeting where he received information about economic development on the state level. He expressed appreciation to the citizens who attend council meetings on a regular basis, since misinformation goes out when citizens do not attend meetings or read the minutes posted on the website.

James Bruhn attended a midyear conference in St. George with George Biada and he will put notes together to hand out at the next council meeting.

Mark Preece did not attend any meetings since the last council meeting.

Mayor Romney – John has scheduled Roger Barrus to come to the council’s first meeting in May to give a legislative update.

The Mayor needs contact information from the council members so they can get it on the website.

Mayor Romney attended a recreation board meeting and a fire board meeting. Centerville is asking for a 30% tax break from the recreation district for their CDA. Woods Cross and West Bountiful might consider doing the same thing. At the Fire Board meeting they got information about a capital improvement plan. Approval had been given for a new ladder truck to replace one that is 13 years old. They were denied a new ambulance. Heidi stated that 10% of the city’s General Fund goes to the fire budget, so they watch it closely. The Mayor said that more of the public should attend the fire board meetings.

The Mayor also thanked the public who attend the council meetings regularly.

The Gateway theaters are now Cinemark and due to reopen with new digital equipment and new sound systems, thicker walls and nicer seats. An introductory evening will be announced.
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12. Approval of Minutes from April 6, 2010 Budget Work Session and Council Meeting

John had a change on the Council Meeting Minutes, page 7 of 9 where it should state that 30% of what we process here comes from Canada.

MOTION: George Biada moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2010 Work Meeting

SECOND: John Baza seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
  Mark Preece – Aye
  James Bruhn – Aye
  John Baza – Aye
  George Biada – Aye

MOTION: Mark Preece moved to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes with change.

SECOND: James Bruhn seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
  Mark Preece – Aye
  James Bruhn – Aye
  John Baza – Aye
  George Biada – Aye

13. Adjourn to RDA Meeting 8:55 pm

MOTION: George Biada moved to adjourn to the RDA meeting

SECOND: James Bruhn seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
  Mark Preece – Aye
  James Bruhn – Aye
  John Baza – Aye
  George Biada – Aye

14. Adjournment

MOTION: James Bruhn moved to adjourn to the RDA meeting

SECOND: John Baza seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
  Mark Preece – Aye
  James Bruhn – Aye
  John Baza – Aye
  George Biada – Aye
MAYOR KENNETH ROMNEY

HEIDI VOORDECKERS (CITY RECORDER)

NATHALIE ELLINGSO (SECRETARY)