Minutes of the meeting of the City Council of West Bountiful City held on Tuesday,  
February 15, 2011 at West Bountiful City Hall, Davis County, Utah  

Those in Attendance  
MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth Romney, Dave Tovey,  
John Baza, James Bruhn, Mark Preece. Valerie Shaw was excused.  

STAFF PRESENT: Craig Howe (City Manager), Heidi  
Voordeckers (City Recorder), Ben White (City Engineer), Chief  
Randy Lloyd, Nathalie Ellingson (secretary).  

VISITORS: Alan Malan, Sandi Smith, Danny Koford, Wendy  
Hughes, Laura Charchenko, Kelly Enquist, Terry Olsen, Brandee  
Nadauld.  

Mayor Kenneth Romney called this meeting to order at 7:30 pm.  

Invocation/Thought: Mayor Romney gave an invocation and a thought.  
Pledge of Allegiance led by John Baza.  

1.  
Accept Agenda  

MOTION: John Baza moved to accept the Agenda as written.  
SECOND: James Bruhn seconded the Motion.  

PASSED: Voting was as follows:  
Mark Preece – Aye  
James Bruhn – Aye  
John Baza – Aye  
Dave Tovey – Aye  

2.  
Public Comment  

No comments  

3.  
Parks and Trails  
Committee Report  

Kelly Enquist – The Parks and Trails Committee held a meeting  
Thursday, February 10, which James Bruhn, Craig Howe and  
Mayor Romney attended.  

- In regards to the baseball diamonds, they resolved an issue  
  with the Little League; eliminating one diamond affected  
  their schedule, but the league is going to do some  
  rescheduling. They talked about movable mounds and the  
  type of fill. Work officially started today on the baseball  
  diamonds.  
- The committee is talking about additional uses for the other  
  seven acres besides baseball.
4. Planning Commission Report

Ben White – the Planning Commission is working on two ordinances; one regarding accessory dwelling units and the other is the home occupation ordinance. They are working on the final language on the accessory dwelling unit ordinance and should have it ready for the next council meeting. A change to the home occupation permit ordinance is that home occupations involving just a home office just for computer use for billing, etc. can get a home business license approved by staff, without the need for a home occupation permit. Other businesses that might require additional conditions, such as daycares and preschools, must get approval and possibly a conditional use permit from the Planning Commission.

5. Engineers Report

Ben White –

- Provided a copy of fee schedules with his proposed changes in red. Among the changes that he proposes are:
  - charging developers for using the city’s water rights if they do not already have water rights;
  - charging a subdivision inspection fee of 3% of the improvement bond;
  - requiring 10% of an improvement bond be held in cash by the city;
  - charging a fee for annexation and rezoning requests, since advertising public meetings is expensive;
  - imposing fees for excavation permits based on the estimated shortened life of the road and curb and gutter;
  - changing fees for hydrant meters so cost of meter and use of water are covered.

6. Police Report

Mayor Romney – a citizen told him how appreciative they were of the Police Department because of the manner in which they handled a family situation. Because they had taken the time to know the family, they were able to deal with the situation more effectively. He recommends citizens get to know the officers personally.

Chief Lloyd – Officer Wass is leaving the department to go to Ogden, and his last day will be Wednesday, February 16. The reserve officer, Cory Boyle, will take his place on Sunday, February 20, and the department is working on getting a new reserve officer. A couple of notable cases – a thief stole a purse and made purchases. He was caught in Wendover because of a security camera and the purse was returned to the owner. They caught someone with marijuana in his car at one of the trailheads.
7. Finance Report

Heidi Voordeckers – the city is losing $200,000 in sales tax because of the loss of revenue on indirect sales. Also there are increases in fire protection and animal control fees. Property taxes, which have not increased since 1972, will be addressed in the upcoming budget year. Some analysis has been done on property taxes, and it was found that the city receives $173 per household. Police protection costs $165 per resident per year. Fire protection is an additional $66 per year for each resident. Out of a total $3 million annual budget, the city received $250,000 from residential property tax. It has been estimated that 95% of sales tax income comes from people who live outside the city. The budget will be discussed at an upcoming town hall meeting scheduled for March 17, 2011.

8. Administrative Report

Craig Howe –

- He has been approached by an agent interested in leasing West Bountiful property at the north water tank for a cell tower. They are in the process of negotiating terms.
- They sold an old police car for salvage for $3,000.
- The League of Cities and Towns have taken an interest in several of the bills being introduced in the Utah Legislature.
  - They oppose HB 135 which will change the sales tax distribution formulas to include children ages 4 to 18 in the population formula.
  - HB 268 attempts to eliminate the ability for cities to put code enforcement (weed abatement) liens on property tax, and cities would have to impose fees instead. In a case of bankruptcy, a city would get compensated up front from liens but not on fees.
  - HB 173 – Immigration has been modified so that the requirement to enforce it on traffic stops has been removed (anything below a Class C misdemeanor). However, there is still a potential liability from citizens who may feel the law has not been enforced adequately, which could cost the city $500 to $5,000.
- The school district is preparing the celebrate 100 years and is looking for someone to act as a liaison for the city.

9. Discussion on the FY 2012 Budget

Mayor Romney – Citizens are encouraged to get involved. The schedule of the public budget work sessions is available and will be published in the newsletter. John Baza and Valerie Shaw are on the finance committee. The council has asked staff for a 20 year projection on the budget. Emphasis will be on property tax issues and a maintenance and replacement plan for roads. Mayor Romney commended the staff for working with a reduced budget the past two years, and also commended the help and input from the council members who were not elected.
10. Approval of Minutes for the February 1, 2011 City Council Meeting

MOTION: Mark Preece moved to approve the Minutes of the February 1, 2011 City Council Meeting.

SECOND: James Bruhn seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
Mark Preece - Aye
James Bruhn - Aye
John Baza - Aye
Dave Tovey - Aye

11. Mayor/Council Reports

Dave Tovey – The Youth City Council is planning to attend youth council conference in Logan March 10-12. They are planning an event for a city block each month. For example, the block for February did a “heart attack” on the Police Department (hearts taped all over). Dave is scheduling a Neighborhood Watch meeting for April 14. He plans to give more advance notice and hopes to get a better response from citizens.

John Baza – attended a finance meeting, and another is planned for next week. He will be attending a League of Cities and Towns seminar on Thursday.

James Bruhn – the Arts Council presented a concert last Friday for which they had a packed house. James asked Ben if there was a warranty for the slurry seal. He thought is saw some peeling around 900 West and Pages Lane. Ben said there was no warranty, but the seal is supposed to last 5 to 7 years, so he will look at it.

Mark Preece – attended a Communications Committee meeting, and newsletter articles are due tomorrow. He went to a DUED luncheon but nothing came up of concern to West Bountiful. A Parade Committee meeting was held just before the council meeting. Terry Olsen will chair the committee again.

Mayor Romney – thanked Terry Olsen for chairing the Parade Committee. The Mayor attended the opening of the performing arts center, Center Point Theater. Their first event was “Hairspray.” He attended Rec Board and Fire Board meetings. The city is still low in impact fees for the Fire Board, but there has been a little construction lately which will add to the impact fees.

12. Closed Meeting, if necessary, for reasons allowed by State Law

Not necessary.

13. Possible Action Following
Closed Meeting
Not necessary.

14. Adjournment
9:30 pm.

MOTION: James Bruhn moved to adjourn the meeting.
SECOND: John Baza seconded the Motion.

PASSED: Voting was as follows:
Mark Preece – Aye
James Bruhn – Aye
John Baza – Aye
Dave Tovey – Aye