

1 **Minutes of the West Bountiful City Council meeting held on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at West**
2 **Bountiful City Hall, 550 N 800 West, Davis County, Utah.**

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4 Those in attendance:

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6 **MEMBERS:** Mayor Ken Romney, Council members James Ahlstrom, James Bruhn, Kelly
7 Enquist, Debbie McKean, and Mark Preece

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11 **STAFF:** Duane Huffman (City Administrator), Steve Doxey (City Attorney), Chief Todd
12 Hixson, Ben White (Engineer), Steve Maughan (Public Works Director), Cathy Brightwell
13 (City Recorder/Secretary), Steve Doxey (City Attorney)

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15 **VISITORS:** Alan Malan, Jason Meservy, Mark Larson, Derrick Morton, Zack Larson,
16 Drew Vanderstek, John Page, Andy Williams, Tom Larse, Kaden Gerber, and members of
17 Troop 290

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20 Mayor Romney called the Regular meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

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22 Zack Larson and Drew Vanderstek from Boy Scout Troop 219 recited the Scout oath, led the Pledge
23 of Allegiance and sang happy birthday to Council member Preece.

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25 **1. Accept Agenda**

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27 **MOTION:** *Debbie McKean moved to approve the agenda. James Bruhn seconded the*
28 *Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all members present.*

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30 **2. Public Comment.**

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32 No comment.

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34 **3. Recognition of Tom Larsen, Tom Roseman, and Derrick Morton for their Assistance**
35 **with Building the EmPAC Trailer**

36 Chief Hixson publicly recognized and presented letters of appreciation to Tom Larsen and
37 Derrick Morton for donating their time and skills towards work on the emergency response trailer,
38 specifically electrical work and welding. This hard work is especially noteworthy because they do
39 not live in West Bountiful. Tom Roseman also helped but was unable to make the meeting tonight.
40 Mayor Romney talked about the importance of their contribution, especially noting the impact in
41 relation to the size and financial resources of West Bountiful.

42 **4. Hearing to Receive Input from Employees Regarding Changing from the Contributory**
43 **to the Non-contributory Public Employees' Retirement System for Tier 1 Local**
44 **Government Employees.**

45 Duane Huffman explained that the legislature opened a window for the City to transition
46 from the "contributory system" to the "non-contributory system" for its Tier 1 public employees.
47 All employees in the system before July 1, 2011 fall in this group, which currently consists of 9
48 employees. The difference between the two plans is that under the contributory plan entities are able
49 to require employees to contribute up to 6% of the premium, but West Bountiful has never required
50 this. The two primary benefits of the non-contributory system is that the premiums are about 2%
51 less per year and it offers a few extra options for retirement ages. Mr. Huffman added that even if
52 the City makes the change, affected employees are given the choice individually whether to also
53 convert. He said that if they do not, the City may want to consider requiring them to pay the
54 difference in the rates.

55 An employee meeting was held yesterday with a representative from URS who explained the
56 changes and answered questions. In considering the issue, the City is required to hold a hearing to
57 give employees a chance to be heard on the issue.

58 **MOTION:** *James Bruhn moved to open the employee hearing. Debbie McKean*
59 *seconded the Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all members*
60 *present.*
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62 Steve Maughan, Public Works Director, spoke on behalf of the affected public works
63 employees. They have researched the issue and have decided it has benefits to employees to make
64 the conversion; they are comfortable to make the change.

65 No additional employees presented to speak.

66 **MOTION:** *Mark Preece moved to close the public hearing. James Bruhn seconded the*
67 *Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all members present.*
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69 **5. Consider Resolution 370-15, A Resolution Converting to the Public Employees' Non-**
70 **contributory Retirement System.**

71 **MOTION:** *James Bruhn moved to Approve Resolution 370-15, a Resolution*
72 *Converting to the Public Employees' Non-contributory Retirement System.*
73 *Debbie McKean seconded the Motion which PASSED.*
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75 The vote was recorded as follows:
76 James Ahlstrom – Aye
77 James Bruhn – Aye
78 Kelly Enquist – Aye

79 Debbie McKean– Aye
80 Mark Preece – Aye

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82 **6. Consider Resolution 371-15, A Resolution of West Bountiful City, a Municipal**
83 **Corporation of the State of Utah, Proposing the Creation of a Local District and Service**
84 **Area for the Provision of Fire Protection, Emergency Medical Response, Paramedic,**
85 **Emergency Response Services, Ambulance Services and Related Services to the Cities**
86 **of Bountiful, Centerville, North Salt Lake, West Bountiful, Woods Cross and the**
87 **Unincorporated Area of South Davis County and the Transfer of the Responsibilities**
88 **and Operations of the Existing South Davis Metro Fire Agency to the Proposed District.**

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90 Mayor Romney explained that this Resolution does not bind us to anything; it only allows the
91 process to move forward. Duane Huffman mentioned that he has been in communication with other
92 entities, and based on the costs of the required public notice they have discussed pooling resources to
93 share the cost of a joint newspaper ad. To make the timing work, the City needs to wait to adopt the
94 Resolution until the next meeting. Another reason to wait is to see if another entity, such as the
95 County, decides not to adopt it. He added that there are still significant details to work out, for
96 example, our fire impact fee would go away and the fire district would establish new fees.

97 There was discussion about Bountiful's participation, and the overall likelihood of approval.

98 **MOTION: James Ahlstrom moved to table Resolution 371-15. Kelly Enquist seconded**
99 **the Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all members present.**

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101 **7. Consider Resolution 369-15, A Resolution Approving an Equipment Lease Agreement**
102 **with Zions First National Bank.**

103 Duane Huffman explained that this agreement is similar to previous lease agreements
104 approved by the Council. The total cost of the fairway mower is \$52k; with a 6 year lease at 2.7%
105 interest our payment would be \$9,598. He confirmed there is no prepayment penalty and it will
106 belong to us at the end of the lease.

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108 **MOTION: James Ahlstrom moved to approve Resolution 369-15, A Resolution**
109 **Approving an Equipment Lease Agreement with Zions First National Bank.**
110 **Kelly Enquist seconded the Motion which PASSED.**

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112 The vote was recorded as follows:

113 James Ahlstrom – Aye
114 James Bruhn – Aye
115 Kelly Enquist – Aye
116 Debbie McKean– Aye
117 Mark Preece – Aye

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- 119 **8. Consider Appointment of Election Poll Workers Lucile Eastman, Jennifer Cottle,**
120 **Christine Harker, Arline Mann, and Jennifer McMillan for the 2015 Municipal**
121 **Primary Election.**

122 **MOTION:** *James Bruhn moved to Appoint Election Poll Workers Lucile Eastman,*
123 *Jennifer Cottle, Christine Harker, Arline Mann, and Jennifer McMillan for*
124 *the 2015 Municipal Primary Election. . Debbie McKean seconded the*
125 *Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all members present.*
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- 127 **9. Police Report.**
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129 Chief Hixson summarized his written report. Gerald Newman has resigned after many years
130 of service as a crossing guard, and Laverne and Darrell Greaves have expressed interest in cutting
131 back their crossing guard duties to substitute only. Leroy Elliot, our current back-up guard, will be
132 offered a full time position.

133 The Department received twenty-two applications for our vacant police officer position. The
134 Chief said he is pleased with the response as many applicants initially appear to be qualified and a
135 couple of them bring experience from other agencies.

136 The Chief commended Officer Breeze on the excellent job she did putting together the
137 annual Safety fair.

138 Davis County Animal Control has begun discussions with cities regarding the fees charged
139 for their services. They have indicated they would like to renegotiate existing contracts at the end of
140 the year so that the County and the cities will equally share the costs. One proposal is that by 2021
141 our fees could go from \$10.4K to \$31k per year, plus per incident fees. Most of the cities are not
142 happy with the proposed significant increases. There was general discussion about other options that
143 may be available.
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- 145 **10. Engineering/Planning Commission Report**
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147 Ben White reported that UDOT is almost done with the I-15 project. 400 North is scheduled
148 to be complete before school starts, probably around August 10th. The 2600 South interchange is in
149 its final stages with final paving to be done next week.

150 The Wingers building has been demolished. It will be replaced with a 6000 sf strip mall able
151 to house up to 3 tenants. A similar building will be built in the old Burger King space in the future.

152 The Birnam Woods trail will be paved next week, weather permitting.

153 There are no updates on the Shopko building. The last the City heard was that they had
154 planned repairs to the building before they will announce the name of the new tenant.

155 Park concrete bids will be opened next Wednesday; we hope to have a bid ready to award at
156 the next city council meeting.

157 We are sending letters next week to all residents affected by the upcoming Pages Lane
158 project. We will let them know that individual meetings will be set up with each affected
159 homeowner to discuss the impact to them. The following week we will stake the sidewalk so
160 residents can visualize where it will be. The project will begin early spring 2016 with the goal to
161 have it complete by July 4th, so that UDOT can begin their work on 400 North.

162 Repair and replacement of the Legacy waterline is finished but will not be in service until the
163 water testing results are in later this week.

164 We are also working on a conceptual design for sidewalk at the east end of 1000 North.

165 **11. Administrative Report.**

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167 Duane Huffman distributed a conceptual drawing of a monument sign for West Bountiful
168 and Bountiful at the 500 South/I-15 interchange. It would be on the northeast corner just west of the
169 Shell gas station (old Texaco station) on UDOT right of way but in West Bountiful City limits. He
170 explained that initially UDOT was going to contribute \$50k and the two cities would each contribute
171 \$30K for signage/landscaping. We have almost \$30k in credit from 400 North, but UDOT is now
172 only offering to pay \$20k. We have been talking with Bountiful about how to handle the ongoing
173 maintenance, water, power, and capital improvements, but need direction from council.

174 James Ahlstrom said he supports having a nice sign; he believes it adds value and shows
175 pride in the community. Council member Bruhn commented that he is not sure it is the best location
176 for a welcome to West Bountiful sign. The Mayor noted that this is a big deal to Bountiful's Mayor.
177 Mayor Romney added that if we do not use the money, we lose it.

178 There was discussion about the size and design of the sign, landscaping and maintenance
179 options, and future funding alternatives. Mr. Huffman clarified he is not looking for a decision this
180 evening but wants to make sure we are moving in the right direction. The consensus was that we
181 should continue working on the project, but that Bountiful should maintain the area around the sign,
182 and secure a maintenance agreement detailing the standards of quality that have to be met.

183 **12. Mayor/Council Reports.**

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185 James Ahlstrom – no report.

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187 Mark Preece – the Sewer district met with Ben and Duane about their recovery project, and
188 the district is moving forward. He added that the Long Drive event was well attended; he believes it
189 was a lot better than last year. Forty competitors from around the country, plus the high school
190 championship brought more people. We got a lot of good comments about the condition of the
191 course.

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193 James Bruhn commented that the Meet the Candidate's Night was good.

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195 Debbie McKean reported that West Bountiful calls to Mosquito Abatement are way down.
196 Newsletter articles will be due August 15. She added that the next Arts council meeting will be at
197 the Park with an appreciation dinner. Council members and their spouses are invited. As a token of
198 thanks she would like to give each Arts Council member a t-shirt.

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200 Kelly Enquist asked the Council to think about allowing dogs in our Parks -- only on a leash.
201 He believes people have become more responsible to clean up after their animals. He asked the
202 Chief if we enforce our restrictions and the Chief replied they occasionally give warnings but no

203 citations have been issued to his knowledge. Duane Huffman suggested we contact the Health
204 department to get their thoughts.

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206 Mayor Romney asked Steve Maughan to make sure the key to the new bathroom matches the
207 bathrooms at the park and behind city hall.

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209 **13. Approval of Minutes from the July 7, 2015 City Council Meeting.**

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211 **MOTION:** *James Bruhn moved to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2015 meeting.*
212 *Debbie McKean seconded the Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of*
213 *all members present.*

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215 **14. Executive Session Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated 52-4-205(c), to Discuss Pending or**
216 **Reasonably Imminent Litigation.**

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218 **MOTION:** *James Ahlstrom moved to go in to Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. pursuant*
219 *to Utah Code Annotated 52-4-205(c), to Discuss Pending or Reasonably*
220 *Imminent Litigation, in the police training room. James Bruhn seconded*
221 *the Motion which PASSED.*

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223 The vote was recorded as follows:

224 James Ahlstrom – Aye
225 James Bruhn – Aye
226 Kelly Enquist – Aye
227 Debbie McKean– Aye
228 Mark Preece – Aye
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230 **MOTION:** *James Bruhn moved to close the Executive Session at 9:45 pm. Debbie*
231 *McKean seconded the Motion which PASSED by unanimous vote of all*
232 *members.*

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234 **13. Adjourn**

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236 **MOTION:** *Debbie McKean moved to adjourn this meeting of the West Bountiful City*
237 *Council at 9:47 p.m. James Bruhn seconded the Motion which PASSED by*
238 *unanimous vote of all members present.*

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243 *The foregoing was approved by the West Bountiful City Council on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.*

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245 Cathy Brightwell
246 Cathy Brightwell (City Recorder)

