

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL
June 21, 2012**

PRESENT:	Dennis Fife	Mayor
	Scott Ericson	Councilmember
	Ruth Jensen	Councilmember
	Brian Rex	Councilmember
	Mark Thompson	Councilmember
	Tyler Vincent	Councilmember
ALSO PRESENT:	Rick Bosworth	Human Resource Coordinator
	Jim Buchanan	Emergency Services Director
	Mary Kate Christensen	City Recorder
	Jared Johnson	Building Official
	Tyler Pugsley	Public Works Director
	Bruce Leonard	City Administrator
	Tyler Pugsley	Public Works Director

Mayor Fife called the meeting to order. The Reverence Period was given by Pastor Mike Galica of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Councilmember Rex led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2012 Council meeting and work session was made by Councilmember Thompson, seconded by Councilmember Jensen and unanimously approved as distributed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Promotions in the Ambulance Division
New Hire, Public Works

CONSENT

Request to Write-off Accounts Due to Bankruptcy or Being Sent to Collections

PUBLIC HEARING

Adjustments to the FY 2011-12 Budgets of Various Funds and Departments, to Reflect the Changes Recommended by the City Council

SCHEDULED DELEGATION

"We Do It Right" Team Report on Activities Throughout the School Year

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution Approving the FY 2012-13 Budget
Discussion on Refinancing of General Obligation Bonds

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Promotions in the Ambulance Division

Karen Burns, Shawn Howard and Mike Setzer will be promoted to Ambulance Team Captains effective June 22, 2012.

New Hire, Public Works

Curtis "C.J." Gerritsen will begin with the City as a Water System Operator II, Grade 42, effective June 22, 2012.

CONSENT

A list of accounts totaling \$4,092.37 was presented to be removed from the City's billing system due to customer taking out bankruptcy or being sent to collections.

MOTION: Councilmember Jensen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Councilmember Rex and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Adjustments to the FY 2011-12 Budgets of Various Funds and Departments, to Reflect the Changes Recommended by the City Council

The Council discussed this in detail during a work session held prior to this meeting.

A motion to open the public hearing was made by Councilmember Vincent, seconded and carried. There were no comments from the public. A motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilmember Ericson, seconded and carried.

MOTION: A motion to approve the resolution with the adjustments to the FY 2011-12 as presented by Mr. Roberts was made by Councilmember Ericson, seconded by Councilmember Vincent and unanimously carried.

SCHEDULED DELEGATION

"We Do It Right" (WDIR) Team Report on Activities Throughout the School Year

Allisa Marabella came forward and reported that they recently combined with the Governor's Youth Council (GYC). Their job at Box Elder High School is to promote great things that teenagers are doing. They sponsored the following activities:

- Back to School Bash with over 300 students in attendance.
- Gave out water bottles to students throughout the year with WDIR on it.
- In February they did a "heart attack" by placing 3,000 hearts posted throughout the school with messages stating the effects of alcohol and tobacco.

Joyce Hunsaker, Counselor at the High School, stated that there is a drinking issue with some students at the high school, but this group brings a lot of energy and positive interaction, and a lot of things to do without the presence of alcohol and drugs. The students come up with the ideas, do all the work, and follow through with surveys.

The PTA has been very helpful, and they have a resource officer at each function. They collaborate with the Youth Empowerment Team on these activities.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution Approving the FY 2012-13 Budget

A public hearing on the 2012-13 budget was held on June 7, 2012.

Mr. Roberts stated that the City has received the Certified Tax Rate (CTR). This is the first time in many years that this was received before the budget was approved. The CTR is lower this year because the county overestimated growth last year, so they adjusted it down this year. Due to the CTR being lower, he recommended lowering the amount of budgeted property tax revenue in the General Fund and the Library Fund. If this is not lowered, the City will have to go through the truth in taxation process. The decrease in the General Fund would be \$8,913 and \$5,529 in the Library Fund.

At the end of the 2011-12 there was \$12,481 available in the General Fund. This was transferred to the Capital Project Fund for a Parks capital project. He recommended this be used to cover the overage instead of the Parks project.

In addition, it was recommended \$1,800 be used to purchase bullet proof, light vests for the SWAT Team. The Friends of the SWAT team has donated a lot of money for SWAT vests and they need \$1,800 more. This will show the City's support.

The Mayor recommended the remaining amount go toward training in the Police Department. This was drastically reduced in the 2012-13 budget.

The Library budgeted for a Fund Balance increase of \$3,674. They will not be able to get this increase.

MOTION: Councilmember Thompson made a motion to approve the resolution adopting the FY 2012-13 budget with the amendments as outlined by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Councilmember Vincent. Councilmember Jensen stated that because the 2011-12 budget was better than anticipated, she suggested waiting on the Municipal Energy Tax increase until it is known what sales tax will be. Mayor Fife said that is possible, but there is a 90-day process to increase the MET and it can only be done on the first day of a quarter. Mayor Fife called for a vote on the motion. Councilmember Thompson, Councilmember Vincent and Councilmember Ericson voted aye. Councilmember Jensen and Councilmember Rex voted nay. The motion carried with a 3-2 vote.

Councilmember Rex explained that he voted nay because he was against raising the Municipal Energy Tax.

Discussion on Refinancing of General Obligation Bonds

Mr. Roberts stated that the City has a \$2.7 million general obligation bond. It is at the point that it could be refinanced in September.

If it was refunded to a 5-year bond, there would be a \$165,960.57 savings at current interest rates. However, this was calculated with a lower payment the last year. If this was calculated over four years, with the fourth year payment being higher, it could be paid off a year earlier and there would be additional savings.

If it was refunded to a 6-year bond, there would be a \$160,358.33 cost savings.

The Council instructed Mr. Roberts to pursue refinancing the bond.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Fife recommended the July 5th Council meeting be cancelled. The Council agreed.

The Council reconvened as a Redevelopment Agency meeting at adjourned at 7:42 PM.