

**MAPLETON CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 22, 2009**

**PRESIDING AND CONDUCTING:** Mayor Laurel Brady  
**Council Members:** Ben Christensen  
Mike Cobia  
Michael Nelson  
Ann H. Tolley  
Brian Wall

**Also Present:** Gary Calder- Public Works/Engineering Department  
Cory Branch- Community Development Director  
Robert Bradshaw- City Administrator  
Dean Pettersson- Police Chief

**Minutes Recorded by:** Camille Brown- City Recorder

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Brian Wall gave the invocation and Camille Brown led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPEN FORUM:** No public comment was made.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**1. City Council meeting minutes- April 1, 2009.**

**1a. Review of Economic Development Commission meeting minutes- April 9, 2009**

**Motion:** Cl. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2009 City Council meeting and accept Mr. Bowers subsequent negotiation referred to on top of page 5 of the April 1<sup>st</sup> minutes and the Economic Development Commission minutes were acknowledged.

**Second:** Cl. Nelson seconded the motion.

**Vote:** Passed 5:0

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**2. Reed Price- Utah Lake Commission**

Reed Price with the Utah Lake Commission addressed the council outlining the advantages of the membership of the Utah Lake Commission. The main objectives of the Utah Lake Commission as described in the Interlocal Agreement were reviewed. The more people that are involved the better it will be for them. In reply to a question from Clw. Tolley Mr. Price stated that there are two beach areas, one in Lindon and the other is on the south end of the county west of Spanish Fork. The city will have one year to opt out of the agreement.

**Motion:** Cl. Cobia moved to continue the agreement with the Utah Lake Commission for at least until August 2009.

**Second:** Cl. Christensen seconded the motion.

Cl. Nelson Nay

Cl. Tolley Nay

Cl. Cobia Aye

Cl. Christensen Aye

Cl. Wall Aye

**Vote:** Passed 3:2

**3. 300 West Roadway improvements next to Mapleton Elementary**

Gary Calder, the City Engineer presented his staff report showing where improvements will be put on 300 West on the west side of Mapleton Elementary School from Maple Street to about 100 North with 575 feet of curb, gutter and with a 5 foot wide sidewalk plus the asphalt paving. It was noted that 300 West as a whole is in good shape. This will cost the city approximately \$30,000 out of the “C” road funds with Nebo School District paying a similar contribution.

**Motion:** Cl. Nelson moved that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the road improvements on 300 West next to Mapleton Elementary between Maple Street and approximately 100 North.

**Second:** Cl. Wall seconded the motion.

**Vote:** Passed 5:0

Cl. Nelson Aye

Cl. Tolley Aye

Cl. Cobia Aye

Cl. Christensen Aye

Cl. Wall Aye

*\*During the discussion of this item, the City Engineer agreed to approach the property owners north of the school play ground to establish their interest in extending improvements to the front of their properties.*

**4. Old City Hall- Parks and Recreation Department**

Stacey Child, the Recreation Director presented a proposal to the council that the recreation department could use the old City Hall grass to store cutting equipment, service, repair, and hold some recreation activities. This recommendation would only be feasible if the new public safety building is built.

It was noted that the Economic Development Commission had discussed using this building as an incubator for new businesses to get started with very low overhead costs. The Economic Development Commission had stated at their last meeting that there are contractors that could go in and volunteer their labor to clean up the building, or this could also be an Eagle Project. When the City Administrator spoke with the city’s insurers, they stated that it would be an increased liability to have scouts working on the building, but that city employees’ could use the building at a lower level of risk.

A few different options were discussed as to where the Economic Development Commission could utilize office space in the new City Hall in the basement and if the Public Safety Building is built the Parks and Recreation Department could either demolish the existing old city hall portion of the building and build a new part or refurbish the existing building.

**Motion:** Cl. Nelson moved to continue to explore the use of the old city hall for Parks and Recreation, pending information of use of impact fees with the auditor for some of the restoration and continue to explore possibilities and gather information from the Economic Development Commission on either property at the old City Hall or potential property here at the new City Hall for a business incubator.

**Second:** Cl. Cobia seconded the motion.

Cl. Nelson Aye

Cl. Tolley Aye

Cl. Cobia Aye

Cl. Christensen Aye

Cl. Wall Aye

**Vote:** Passed 5:0

**5. Pressure Irrigation Master Plan and Feasibility Study**

Gary Calder the City Engineer, presented his staff report with regards to the Pressurized Irrigation Master Plan. The CUP \$5 million dollar grant is still available for the city to apply for.

Both of these plans can be a beneficial aid in creating our analysis for the P.I. system, which is currently being developed by Jonathan Ward of Zions Bank. The feasibility study would also help us build the P.I. system. The cost for the study is \$35,000.00 which includes 10% contingency. The cost will be covered out of the city’s pressure irrigation funds.

**Motion:** Cl. Wall moved to authorize the City Engineer to move forward with the Pressure Irrigation Master Plan and Feasibility Study

**Second:** Clw. Tolley seconded the motion.

Cl. Nelson Aye

Cl. Tolley Aye

Cl. Cobia Aye

Cl. Christensen Aye

Cl. Wall Aye

**Vote:** Passed 5:0

**6. Fine Arts Committee -Appointment of additional member.**

Mayor Brady proposed that Janet Lewis be appointed as a member of the Fine Arts Committee. Mrs. Lewis has been a Mapleton resident for approximately 16 years and is very active in the arts.

**Motion:** Cl. Christensen moved that Janet Lewis be appointed as a member of the Fine Art Committee.

**Second:** Cl. Wall seconded the motion.

Cl. Nelson Aye

Cl. Tolley Aye

Cl. Cobia Aye

Cl. Christensen Aye

Cl. Wall Aye

**Vote:** Passed 5:0

**DISCUSSION ITEM:**

**7. Mapleton City modifying council seats to Council Districts**

Cl. Nelson introduced the item by stating that he does not believe that by having districts that it would divide the city. He believes that it would give people more of an equal say for the community. Past City Council’s have had specific agendas and if there are council districts the council as a whole would be more fairly represented.

Most of the council members stated that when they ran for office, they ran to support Mapleton City as a whole community, not just for the area that they lived in. Clw. Tolley feels like there is not much of a feeling of the North vs. South at the present time. There was a citizens group established at one time, and there was a perception that there seemed to be a North vs. South, but that issue has somewhat diminished.

Cl. Christensen stated that the plan would do the opposite of what is intended. He said the goal should be to get the best candidates elected regardless of where they live. The plan would be costly and create confusion amongst voters.

Cl. Cobia suggested that this item will be discussed in the neighborhood meeting and feed back will be received from the community as a whole as to whether or not they would like to go this direction.

**MAYOR, COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Ben Christensen** stated that since we have hired our own City Engineer and planner, it may be wise for the city to have their own attorney in house. This would be a long term goal, but it is something to look at going forward.

**Mayor Brady** reported on several invitations the council has received:

-May 14<sup>th</sup> Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at the Provo Marriott-RSVP by May 5<sup>th</sup>

-Front Runner luncheon May 6<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 1:30 pm

-Home Builders Association is offering the Council tickets to the Parade of Homes May29-June13

-ULCT Legislative Committee is looking for volunteers for next Legislative Session- please inform the Mayor or Bob if you are interested

-Mayor Brady referred to a great letter to the editor with regards to the Springville High Choir paying tribute to how well behaved and well mannered the group was.

**Mike Cobia** proposed that the grass area in the middle section of Community Center Way be taken out and have rocks put in there and also down the sidewalk area where there is nothing to the beginning of 300 West. It was also discussed that it may be feasible to take the planter area out and put in asphalt or to just put in the rocks so that weeds cannot become a burden. Gary Calder agreed to obtain bids for this project.

**Ann Tolley** reported that at the South Utah Valley Solid Waste District will begin a methane retrieval system that can provide power.

**Chief Pettersson** reported that the drug bin in the police department is permanent and was not just for clean out the cabinet month.

**Gary Calder** reported that the public works department is grinding sidewalks on Maple Street so the school children going to Mapleton Elementary will not be injured.

It was also reported that the he will be meeting with UDOT for the upgrades to Hwy 147 and the railroad crossings that will affect the new Maple Mountain High School.

At the next council meeting an item will be brought forward about an upgrade to the Spanish Fork sewer plant.

**Bob Bradshaw** gave a progress report on the 600 acre annexation that will be brought into Mapleton City from Spanish Fork. Bob and Cory will be meeting with the Ensign Bickford and Presidio attorneys for the annexation for the final draft of the agreement.

**Motion:** Cl. Christensen moved to adjourn the meeting.

**Second:** Cl. Tolley seconded the motion

**Vote:** Passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm

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Camille Brown, City Recorder

**APPROVED: May 6, 2009**