



MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

City Council Chambers
448 East 1st Street, Room 190
City of Salida, Colorado
Tuesday, June 16, 2015 6:00 p.m.

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER –

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Jim Dickson

III. ROLL CALL

Present at roll call were Mayor Jim Dickson, Council Members Keith Baker, Tom Yerkey, Eileen Rogers, Mike Bowers, Melodee Hallett and Hal Brown. Also present were City Treasurer Cheryl Brown-Kovacic, City Clerk Betty Schwitzer, City Attorney Karl Hanlon, City Administrator Dara MacDonald and Deputy City Clerk Christian Samora.

IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – 3 minute time limit. *Citizen participation is for items not on the agenda and for agenda items that are not scheduled public hearings.*

Vickie Sue Vigil of Salida thanked the City for leaving the fireworks in the budget. She also thanked the police, fire and public works departments for their work during the events. She invited everyone to the July 4th Events.

V. PRESENTATION

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. Consent Agenda (Christian Samora)

- a) Approval of Agenda
- b) Approval of Minutes: June 2, 2015
- c) Riverside Fine Arts Festival
- d) Bid Award for the SteamPlant Carpet Replacement Project (Michael Varnum)
Resolution 2015-54

Baker motioned to combine and approve the items on the Consent Agenda. Bowers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Adoption of 2015 National Electric Code, 1st Reading (Dan Osborn/Dan Swallow)

Ordinance 2015-12 amending Chapter 18 of the Salida Municipal Code Adopting the National Electrical Code of 2014

Swallow introduced the agenda item. He stated that the County Commissioners have adopted the 2014

edition effective July 1st, 2015.

He continued to state that local jurisdictions can adopt a code that is equally restrictive, but it can't be less restrictive than that of a higher jurisdiction.

Baker motioned to approve Ordinance 2015-12, an ordinance of the City Council, City of Salida, amending Chapter 18 of the Salida Municipal Code Adopting the National Electrical Code of 2014 and setting a public hearing date for July 7th, 2015. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Establish Streetlight Surcharge on Utility Bills, 1st Reading (Jan Schmidt)

Ordinance 2015-13 establishing a streetlight electricity fee and amending Chapter 4 of the Salida Municipal Code

Schmidt introduced the agenda item and gave a brief background on the surcharge that the Council had previously discussed in budget work sessions.

Yerkey motioned to adopt Ordinance 2015-13, an Ordinance of the City Council, City of Salida establishing a streetlight electricity fee and amending Chapter 4 of the Salida Municipal Code. Rogers seconded the motion.

Baker stated that he is bothered that there is opposition to proposed remedies, but nobody offers any other remedies.

Yerkey stated that he worked two months coming up with a list of \$468k and this is only 20% of that amount.

In a 4-2 role call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED. Hallett and Brown had the dissenting vote.

4. Salida Business Alliance Banner Request (Dara MacDonald)

Resolution 2015-55 approving the requests of the Salida Business Alliance regarding the Gentlemen of the Road Salida Stopover

Vickie Sue Vigil introduced the agenda item.

Baker asked if there is a way for it to be done under the signage code. MacDonald stated that it is not contemplated under the signage code.

Baker motioned to approve Resolution 2015-55 approving the requests of the Salida Business Alliance regarding the Gentlemen of the Road Salida Stopover. Rogers seconded the motion.

Hallett asked if it is open to others to do the same as well. MacDonald said it would have to come before the council every time.

With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. Appointment of Members to the Public Art Commission (Michael Varnum)

Resolution 2015-56 approving citizen appointments to the Public Art Commission

Yerkey motioned to approve Resolution 2015-56, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida, approving citizen appointments to the Public Art Commission and appointing Brice Turnbull to serve on the commission with a term to expire 5/2018. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

6. Adoption of Emergency Operations Plan (Doug Bess)

Resolution 2015-57 adopting the City of Salida Emergency Operations Plan

MacDonald introduced the agenda item.

Rogers motioned to approve Resolution 2015-57, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida, adopting the City of Salida Emergency Operations Plan. Baker seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. 2015 Additional Water System Project & Direction on Harrington Ditch and Disinfection (Bob Salmi)

Yerkey stated that he understood that money would need to be borrowed for the project, but would not be comfortable with borrowing a million dollars. He continued by suggesting piping the problem items. Bowers was in agreement and would like to see it looked into.

Bowers would like to see parking fee kiosks to generate additional revenue.

8. Administrator/City Attorney/Deputy City Clerk

- City Administrator Report – Dara MacDonald
MacDonald asked if the City Council wished to consider a request from the American Legion to waive utility fees. The Council did not wish to consider the request in light of the current budget.
MacDonald presented several options for increasing parking space in the downtown area; the City Council was in agreement to restripe the public parking adjacent to Safeway. The Council was not supportive of having parking on the F Street Bridge.
MacDonald reported that 32 Habitat for Humanity volunteers will be in Salida for several days at a habitat worksite. She continued to state that the local Habitat Chapter had requested use of the showers at the Aquatic Center at no charge. The Council agreed to provide the showers at no charge to the volunteers.
MacDonald stated that Monarch Mountain has offered to donate a bench to be placed along the river or in a municipal park. She continued to state that the bench would be a retired chair lift and an appropriate location has been identified along the river near the SteamPlant.
- City Attorney Report – Karp, Neu, Hanlon, PC
- Deputy City Clerk Report – Christian Samora
Samora provided a preliminary election calendar in the Council Packet for review.

9. Elected Official Reports

- City Treasurer – Cheryl Brown-Kovacic
- City Clerk – Betty Schwitzer
Mayor – Jim Dickson
- City Council- Keith Baker, Michael Bowers, Melodee Hallett, Eileen Rogers, Hal Brown and Tom Yerkey.

Rogers motioned to approve further streets planning. Baker seconded the motion. In a 4-2 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED. Brown and Bowers had the dissenting votes.

Rogers stated that she would like to see the Council walk in the July 4th parade.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Baker motioned to enter into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e).

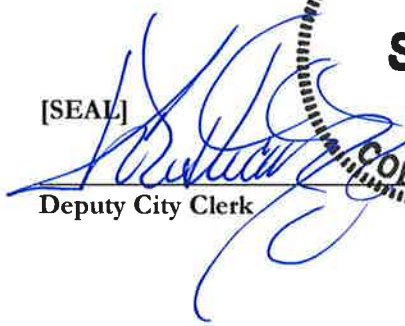
AND THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE PROVIDED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES: Stipulation in the Dominick matter, Case No. 04CW125. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.


REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Brown motioned that the Council accept the recommendation of the water attorney to pursue services of a hydrologist and engineer to come back with recommendations to the City. Yerkey seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

X. ADJOURN -

Baker motioned to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. Brown seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.

[SEAL]

Deputy City Clerk





Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Browns Canyon Week

WHEREAS, Browns Canyon was designated a National Monument on February 19, 2015 by President Barack Obama; and

WHEREAS, Members of the US Department of the Interior, Regional office of the Bureau of Land Management, and Friends of Browns Canyon will conduct an official naming ceremony for Browns Canyon National Monument on July 18th, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Salida in Chaffee County, Colorado take pride in the natural heritage, beauty and recreational adventure being protected by said designation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, July 18 through July 25, 2015 is hereby designated as Browns Canyon Week in the City of Salida, Colorado of Chaffee County in recognition of this historical event.


City Clerk


Mayor







Designation of July as Park and Recreation Month

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the City of Salida; and

WHEREAS our parks and recreation are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and region; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

WHEREAS the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

WHEREAS the City of Salida recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Salida City Council that July is recognized as Park and Recreation Month in the City of Salida.

Mayor Jim Dickson

7/7/15

Date

