

CITY OF DELTA, UTAH  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
**OCTOBER 2, 2008**

PRESENT

Gayle Bunker	Mayor
Bruce Curtis	Council Member
John Niles	Council Member
Betty Jo Western	Council Member

ABSENT

Robert Banks	Council Member
Kiley Chase	Council Member

ALSO PRESENT

Alan Riding	Public Works Director
Kaela Jackson	City Attorney
Gregory Jay Schafer	City Recorder
Dave Miller	Scout Master
Steven Melville	Boy Scout
Austin Kunz	Boy Scout
Jake Carlson	Boy Scout

Mayor Bunker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He stated that notice of the meeting time, place and agenda had been posted at the City Building and had been provided to the Millard County Chronicle/Progress and to each member of the City Council at least two days prior to the meeting. City Recorder Gregory Schafer acted as secretary.

Council Member Betty Jo Western provided opening remarks following which Mayor Bunker led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The proposed minutes of a Regular City Council Meeting held September 4, 2008 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review, Council Member Bruce Curtis MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held September 4, 2008, as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member John Niles. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Council reviewed the accounts payable, a copy of which had been provided to them at least two days prior to the meeting. Following review, Council Member Bruce Curtis MOVED to approve the accounts payable dated October 2, 2008, in the amount of \$188,051.65. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Betty Jo Western. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mayor Bunker welcomed the Boy Scouts in attendance at the meeting and opened the meeting to public comment. There was no comment from the public.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items of Unfinished Business on the agenda.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: MILLARD COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT

Mayor Bunker reported that we have received a contract for law enforcement from Millard County for the current fiscal year. Mayor Bunker questioned the reference to using the Consumer Price Index for April, May and June, 2009 to base the cost of the law enforcement contract for next year inasmuch as Delta City and Millard County are scheduled to discuss the contract in April, 2009. City Attorney Kaela Jackson reported that Fillmore City is requesting that Millard County Commissioners use the Consumer Price Index for a full year prior to determining contract costs for the next year. She did not, however, know whether Millard County Commissioners had discussed the possibility of using a one year Consumer Price Index for negotiating the contract. Council Member Bruce Curtis felt that using a one year Consumer Price Index would be more equitable than a three month time period. Council Members agreed that a one year Consumer Price Index, running from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009 should be used for negotiating the contract price.

Following review, Council Member Betty Jo Western MOVED to approve the Law Enforcement Service Agreement with the time period for determining the Consumer Price Index in Section 3.3 being changed to April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

#### MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: UPDATE ON MUSEUM / CIVIC CENTER PROJECT

Mayor Bunker asked Council Member Curtis to review the current status of the museum /

community center project. Council Member Curtis advised Council Members that the committee had spent an entire day listening to proposals from five different architectural firms and decided to use Shah Kawasaki Architects of Oakland, California as architect on the project. They are very excited to be chosen and look forward to beginning work on the project.

Mayor Bunker requested that the architects have some drawings and items to display at the New Years Eve celebration in order to give area residents information about plans for the project and view progress that has been made to date. Mr. Kawasaki will return to Delta on November 5-6, 2008 to meet with each museum group and Delta City to determine the needs for each group in the project.

Mayor Bunker reported that a former Delta resident, Merlin Sampson, has approached him with a plan to provide funding for the museum / community center project. His theory is using a web site on the internet where you can get paid 2 cents per day for people who visit the web site. Mr. Sampson suggested getting 3,000 people to visit the web site each day for two years; have each of those 3,000 people find ten other people to do the same thing so you have 30,000 people visiting the web site daily, then those ten people recruit ten more people to visit the web site daily, resulting in 300,000 people visiting the web site on a daily basis. Supposedly, you can set up the web site to pay your organization 2-3 cents per day and that money could be used for the museum project. Mayor Bunker does not have a lot of faith in the plan. Mayor Bunker has been thinking about providing a link to our web site, the Millard County web site and the Chamber of Commerce web site which would invite donations for the project from individuals or organizations. He felt there are many people with ties to the Delta area who would be willing to make a donation if we could make the information available to them.

#### MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: SCHEDULE DATES FOR FALL CLEANUP

Mayor Bunker stated that the Public Works Department has suggested that fall clean up be scheduled on November 1<sup>st</sup> for areas south of Main Street and November 8<sup>th</sup> for areas north of Main Street.

Following review, Council Member John Niles MOVED to schedule fall clean up for areas south of Main Street on November 1<sup>st</sup> and areas north of Main Street on November 8<sup>th</sup>. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Betty Jo Western. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

#### MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: SCHEDULE FOR DELTA'S TREE FESTIVAL / LIGHT PARADE CELEBRATION

Mayor Bunker reminded Council Members they had previously discussed holding the tree festival and light parade celebration on the Saturday after the Thanksgiving weekend rather than on Saturday following Thanksgiving. Bonnie Shamo, chairman of Delta's Tree Festival, came to the

office to discuss the date and suggested that the festival be held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving because the first Saturday in December is December 6<sup>th</sup> this year, which is too late for businesses and people wanting to purchase their Christmas trees. Bonnie Shamo also suggested the possibility of having a park lighting ceremony prior to the parade and festivities at the Fair Building but it was felt that holding a celebration in the park would take away some of the interest in viewing trees decorated for the tree festival.

After much discussion, it was felt the best solution would be to continue the light parade celebration in the same way we have been doing it; i.e., a light parade at dusk followed by entertainment, treats and Santa at the Fair Building following the parade. Public Works Director Riding suggested that the new light feature being prepared for the park this year could be turned on just before the light parade. Council Members agreed to stay with the scheduled celebration on Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup> this year.

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members they need to get together to build a float for the light parade and suggested they be thinking of ideas for a light parade entry.

#### MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

Council Member Betty Jo Western advised Council Members that Holly Fowles is willing to chair the committee for the New Years Eve celebration but has some concern because several of the people she has contacted are not willing to serve on the committee. Mayor Bunker suggested that we have the Delta's Got Talent program again and Deal or No Deal. Mayor Bunker noted that Marva Jean Anderson and Bonnie Shamo are willing to help as committee members again this year and there are others who can be recruited to help. Council Members discussed the various activities which could be held during the celebration this year. Mayor Bunker also suggested providing a wider variety of snack foods. Council Member Western will work with Holly Fowles to find committee members and oversee preparations for the celebration.

#### PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ALAN RIDING: PROPOSED PURCHASE OF NEW 10-WHEEL TRUCK CAB AND CHASSIS TO BE PAID FROM CLASS "C" ROAD FUNDS

Public Works Director Alan Riding provided Council Member with bids for a new 10-wheel truck cab and chassis with dump bed, snow plow and sander. The quote received from Sterling Trucks is the state contract price of \$85,631 and must be ordered before October 5<sup>th</sup>. Funds for purchase of the truck is coming from Class "C" Road funds, which has approximately \$240,000 at present. Purchase of the truck with dump bed would leave a total of approximately \$121,000, with additional Class "C" Road funds yet to be received from the State of Utah.

Public Works Director Riding requested approval to order at least the cab and chassis at this time in order to take advantage of the current price and approval to order the dump bed (\$34,422), snow plow (\$12,826) and sander (\$10,242) so the supplier can adjust their schedule to have the items ready for delivery at the time the cab and chassis is delivered. The total of additional add-on items

is \$57,490, which is also a state contract price. The purchase of the truck and add-on items comes to a total of \$143,121, with \$145,000 set aside in the budget for purchase of the truck.

Following review, Council Member John Niles MOVED to approve purchase of a Sterling Truck 10-wheel cab & chassis, a dump bed, snow plow and sander at a total cost of \$143,121, to be paid from Class "C" Road funds. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

#### PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ALAN RIDING: UPDATE ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Public Works Director Riding reported that 873 water meters are currently being read by the Master Meter radio-read system and employees are working to retrofit older and larger meters. The system appears to be working fairly well. The water tank is complete and the contractor has left the area. The pump house is in process and the well is set and ready to go when the pump house is complete and should be on-line sometime this month. At present, it appears there will be adequate funds remaining from the well project to complete the water system project proposed for the southwest part of the city.

Public Works Director Riding told Council Members that Nuisance Violation letters have been sent to a number of individuals who are keeping old, non-working vehicles on their property. The deadline for those individuals to remove the vehicles is about October 10<sup>th</sup>. Activity has been seen on some of the properties but others do not appear to be concerned and have ignored the letter and the items on their property. We will be sending another round of letters out in the near future. It is hoped that some of the vehicles can be collected in the fall clean up.

Public Works Director Riding advised Council Members that we have finally received a letter signed by Rulon Callister allowing Delta City to remove the home on his property located at 100 North and 300 West. Public Works crew will destroy the home in the near future.

Public Works Director Riding stated the Public Works Department has a new employee. Mike Roper began working last Monday and will fill the position recently vacated by Leonard Hardy. He appears to be excited about the job and seems to be fitting in well with other employees. Mike is an experienced electrician, which will be very useful with our Christmas decorating projects.

Public Works Director Riding reported that Joe Reilly was terminated as animal control officer. As yet, a replacement has not been hired but it is hoped we can discuss the problem with other municipalities in our area and possibly co-share animal control responsibilities to form a full-time position, which would provide a better work situation for an employee. We receive numerous calls from outside Delta City requesting assistance with animal control problems but are unable to assist inasmuch as the animal control officer for Delta City is only responsible for the area within Delta City corporate limits. If we are unable to work out a solution with other municipalities, we will hire someone to fill the part-time animal control position.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that he has a meeting with Millard County Commissioners next Thursday evening at which all Mayors from the west side of the county should be in attendance to discuss the building inspection services. Mayor Bunker will discuss the animal control proposal at that time.

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Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments, questions or other items to be discussed. There being none, Council Member Betty Jo Western MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bunker declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

  
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GAYLE BUNKER, Mayor

  
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GREGORY JAY SCHAFFER, MMC, City Recorder

MINUTES APPROVED: RCCM 10-16-08