

CITY OF DELTA, UTAH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 21, 2013

PRESENT

Gayle Bunker	Mayor
Robert Banks	Council Member
Steven Pratt	Council Member
Betty Jo Western	Council Member

ABSENT

John Niles	Council Member
Tom Stephenson	Council Member
Alan Riding	Public Works Director

ALSO PRESENT

Gregory Jay Schafer	City Recorder
Ken Clark	Assistant Public Works Director
Todd Anderson	City Attorney
Jim Pierson	City Resident
Dean Draper	Millard County Chronicle/Progress

Mayor Bunker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He stated that notice of the time, place and agenda of the meeting had been posted at the City Building, on the Utah Public Notice website, the Delta City website, 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.

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 March 7, 2013 were presented for consideration and approval. Following discussion, Council Member Robert Banks MOVED to adopt the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held March 7, 2013, as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Betty Jo Western. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

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 discussion, Council Member Betty Jo Western MOVED to approve the accounts payable, dated March 21, 2013, in the amount of \$76,777.53. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Steven Pratt. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt, and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments from the public.

BUSINESS

MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: RATIFICATION OF APPROVAL TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR AIRPORT PROMOTIONAL TRIP

Mayor Bunker requested a motion to ratify the decision made at the previous meeting to expend \$4,000 to send two airplanes and four individuals to the Oshkosh, Wisconsin air show for the purpose of promoting Delta Municipal Airport.

Council Member Betty Jo Western MOVED to ratify approval to expend \$4,000 for an airport promotional trip to the Oshkosh, Wisconsin air show. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Robert Banks. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt, and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR KEN CLARK: SET IRRIGATION WATER RENTAL RATE AND USER FEE FOR THE 2013 IRRIGATION SEASON

Assistant Public Works Director Ken Clark suggested that the rates remain at the amount set last year, that being a user fee of \$200 and water rental rate at \$40 per acre foot.

Council Member Betty Jo Western MOVED to continue with the same fees as last year, irrigation water rental rate at \$40 per acre foot and user fee of \$200, for the 2013 irrigation season. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Robert Banks. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt, and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: AMENDMENT TO DELTA CITY PURCHASING POLICY TO

RESCIND 5% PREFERENCE PROVISION FOR LARGE PROJECTS

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that he had asked Westland Construction, our project manager for the community center project, what they thought of our local preference policy and provided each Council Member with a copy of the reply received. Council Member Niles previously advised Mayor Bunker that he did not have a strong feeling about the matter; he wants to support local business but was uncertain how that should be accomplished. Council Member Stephenson told Mayor Bunker he was uncertain about the matter but was leaning toward keeping the local preference. Mayor Bunker noted that a decision does not need to be made at this time because we will not be doing any bid requests until the latter part of April.

Mayor Bunker stated he would like to see our local businesses be awarded contracts but, if the local contractor can accept the five percent reduction in his bid, why did they not submit that amount to begin with, rather than decreasing his bid by five percent to meet the low bid. Council Member Stephenson had told Mayor Bunker that Cedar City has a five percent local bidder preference. Council Member Western advised Council Members that St. George also has a five percent local bidder preference. Council Member Western expressed support for keeping the five percent local bidder preference. Council Member Pratt felt that adopting the local bidder preference was a difficult decision to begin with but he would like to see it left in place. Council Member Banks agreed that he would like to see it left in place to see how it works before rescinding the policy.

Following discussion, Council Member Robert Banks MOVED to keep the five percent local preference provision in our purchasing policy. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Steven Pratt. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt, and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

City Attorney Anderson cautioned that, when sending out requests for bids, make certain that we notify prospective bidders that we have a local preference provision.

ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR KEN CLARK: UPDATE ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Public Works employees have been installing the sewer line on the community center property. Next week they will be installing storm drains, followed by a water line upgrade. They are also going to be doing some work on one of the sewer lift stations. We have had the street sweeper out but it had a mechanical problem which took all day to repair. The airport snowblower has been received; it was purchased with airport improvement funds received from the FAA.

There is a pre-construction meeting scheduled on Monday for the Sherwood Shores Water Project. Construction is set to begin on the following Monday, April 1st.

We have received a request from the Delta High School Class of 1963 that we set up chairs for their class reunion to be held this summer. We have never done that for a private entity using the park, we have no policy in place and need to know how Council Members feel about this request. Do we want to begin making our chairs available for private use and, if so, do we want to set them up and take them down. This matter will be evaluated and brought back for decision at a later date.

Assistant Public Works Director Clark reported that the airport flying group asked if it would be possible to put a wi-fi hot spot at the airport. This has previously been discussed, along with putting a wi-fi hot spot in the park. Council Members felt we should look into the cost of providing wi-fi at the airport. Assistant Public Works Director Clark will obtain information on costs associated with providing wi-fi service.

There was discussion regarding the area where we allow residents to dump tree limbs and yard waste. There are people who are dumping household waste, old furniture and appliances and other debris on the pile and we are unable to control the type of debris dumped at the site. The question was raised as to whether we want to keep the dump site open for tree limbs and yard waste or whether we want to close it. Mayor Bunker advised Council Members they need to be thinking about a solution to this problem and it will be discussed further at a later date.

MAYOR GAYLE BUNKER: OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS TRAINING

Mayor Bunker advised Council Members that they are required to have training on the Open and Public Meetings Act at least once each year. Information was compiled on key points of the Act for review by Council Members. Council Members were instructed to review the information provided regarding requirements for open and public meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Bunker reported that he is drafting a letter to be sent out with utility bills next month. The letter will explain what the Sherwood Shores Water Project entails and the funding for the project in an attempt to shut down rumors that are circulating around town.

City Attorney Anderson felt we should begin drafting the billing and hook up policy for Sherwood Shores so that we can provide that information to their Homeowners Association meeting in May.

Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments, questions or other items to be discussed. There being none, Council Member Robert Banks MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was

SECONDED by Council Member Steven Pratt. Mayor Bunker asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed with Council Members Robert Banks, Steven Pratt and Betty Jo Western voting in favor and Council Members John Niles and Tom Stephenson being absent.

Mayor Bunker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.



GAYLE BUNKER, Mayor



GREGORY JAY SCHAFFER, MMC, City Recorder

MINUTES APPROVED: RCCM 04-04-13