

Adopted Minutes
Spanish Fork City Council Meeting
Friday, February 2, 2001

Midway, Utah. Homestead Resort.

The meeting began at 3 pm and was called to order by Mayor Dale R. Barney. An invocation was offered by Councilmember Glenn James.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Dale R. Barney and Councilmembers Sherman Huff, Glenn James, and Roy Johns.

Staff Members Present: David A. Oyler, City Manager; MaryClare Maslyn, Assistant City Manager; Kent R. Clark, Recorder/Finance Director; Richard J. Heap, Engineer/Public Works Director; S. Junior Baker, Attorney; Jack Swenson, Parks/Recreation Director; Emil Pierson, City Planner and John Bowcut, Information Systems Director.

Citizens Present: Merlynn Anderson, UDOT Region 3 Project Engineer; Greg Searle, UDOT Region 3 Project Manager; and UDOT Region 3 Representatives Philip Huff and Geoff Dupaix.

UDOT Proposal and Presentation

Merlynn Anderson, UDOT Region 3 Project Engineer presented information about planned improvements to Canyon Road, Main Street, and bridges in the areas. He stated a major purpose for the project is to improve safety, to resurface and to improve functionality. Construction timetables and costs were introduced, although they are subject to change.

UDOT also presented an option for the city to acquire Canyon Road. Mr. Anderson several benefits which UDOT feels would come to the city through a transaction

The elected officials asked about the current status of other projects and were told the overpass on the North Street project is about five years out, the sidewalk on Canyon Road will be bid at the same time as the other improvements, and can be expected to be installed in the fall. Access to the new ballpark was reviewed.

The UDOT officials ended their presentation at 3:45 pm.

Spanish Fork Community Network

Mr. Bowcut briefed the council on the status of the community network. He described how the crews hook up patrons, the type of connections and the benefits provided to citizens. The city is already providing high speed internet to approximately twenty customers. The technology building is ahead of

schedule and businesses are operating as beta sites for the wireless business network.

Expansion plans for all programs were outlined, including crews, installation, and available equipment. Also discussed was the competition from other companies, and the delicate balance of providing service, yet not overloading the system. The business model needs to be carefully considered before deployment.

The progress report: building ahead of schedule; outside plant is being installed; outside plant electronics bids to be received. The construction plan and schedule was reviewed. Personnel needs were addressed. The Channel Lineup was discussed.

Dinner

The discussion on telecommunications ended at 5:35 pm. Attendees were provided dinner. Councilmember Kelepolo arrived at 6 pm.

Evening Meeting

The meeting began at 7 pm.

Councilmember Present: Mayor Dale R. Barney and Councilmembers Sherman Huff, Glenn James, Roy Johns and Everett Kelepolo.

Staff Members Present: David A. Oyler, City Manager; MaryClare Maslyn, Assistant City Manager; Kent R. Clark, Recorder/Finance Director; Richard J. Heap, Engineer/Public Works Director; S. Junior Baker, Attorney; Jack Swenson, Parks/Recreation Director; Emil Pierson, City Planner and John Bowcut, Information Systems Director.

Spanish Fork Community Network

The product offered by SFCN was compared to competitor products. The legislative bill which will be presented at Utah State legislature was examined.

Finance and Budget

Utility Rate and Property Tax Comparisons

Mr. Oyler showed a chart showing electric, water, sewer, solid waste, storm drain, and property tax rate comparisons.

Reserves and Impact Fees

Mr. Clark reviewed a breakdown of cash and investments, reserved and unreserved. Impact fee fund

balances were illustrated with charts and tables.

2001 Budget Revision

Proposed revisions to the FY 2001 Budget were shown and explained by Mr. Oyler. Time was spent discussing general fund and enterprise fund revenues and expenses.

NOTE: Councilmember Lil Shepherd and Dee Rosenbaum, Public Safety Director, arrived at 8:45 pm.

The option of instituting a power cost adjustment was discussed.

FY 2002 Budget

A debt obligation from the telecommunications bond will was reviewed.

Organization Chart

An organization chart of the city was presented and the council/manager form of government was explained.

This portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

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Saturday, February 3, 2001

Midway, Utah. Homestead Resort.

Attendees met at 7:30 am for breakfast. The meeting was called to order at 8 am by Mayor Dale R. Barney.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Dale R. Barney and Councilmembers Sherman Huff, Glenn James, Roy Johns, Everett Kelepolo and Lil Shepherd.

Staff Members Present: David A. Oyler, City Manager; MaryClare Maslyn, Assistant City Manager; Kent R. Clark, Recorder/Finance Director; Richard J. Heap, Engineer/Public Works Director; S. Junior Baker, Attorney; Jack Swenson, Parks/Recreation Director; Emil Pierson, City Planner, John Bowcut, Information Systems Director, and Dee Rosenbaum, Public Safety Director.

Public Works

200 North 900 East Utility Project

Mr. Heap described the proposed options for improvement to 2000 North. Construction could start July 1 and the project would be in FY 2002 budget.

Surface Irrigation

The surface irrigation system has been around since 1910 with a seven day cycle. We are wasting a lot of water in the system with only 11% of residents using the system. Pros and Cons of maintaining the system were examined. The sewage flows increase by approximately 300,000 gallons a day due to the surface irrigation.

A public information meeting and presentation will be held on February 13. A notice will be sent to each water user noting the staff will be making a presentation on reasons why flood irrigation should be eliminated.

Storm Drainage

Areas of pooling water - what to do. If it involves city water on city property the city will take care of it. Richard will take care of this - look at it.

Pressurized Irrigation

Currently there are 800 users on pressurized irrigation. Use of the system cannot be guaranteed in the future. Growth, considering all other utility issues resolves, would affect the system - we're only using half of the system at this point - add wells.

Sewer Capacity

Final filters, by themselves, will increase capacity.

Cemetery Well Filters

A system is being considered for the Cemetery Well and Fritz Well and final statistics on prices and specs will be received next week.

Utility Capacities

Water Rights

The sources of water, average yield per acre foot, dry yield, population and cumulative totals were illustrated and discussed. Enough water rights currently exist to provide water for a population of 72,000 people; however, we do not have enough water sources to deliver all the water.

Existing Water Sources

The total capacity of existing sources is approximately 24,700 people, assuming all new residential connections use pressurized irrigation.

New Culinary Water Sources

Fritz Well, South East Well, Middle School PI, City Park PI, and Rees School PI will assist in bringing water to a population of approximately 17,000 people more than is currently being provided if brought on line. Options and scenarios were discussed regarding turning on wells before instituting pressurized irrigation. The demand is high for turning on the Fritz Well and turn on is scheduled for May to act as a backup, not to act as additional water to open up new growth.

Pressurized Irrigation

Presently 800 homes and large users use half the capacity of the system.

Waste Water Treatment Plan Capacity

The present capacity will serve 24,000 residents, so we are at capacity unless changes are made to surface irrigation.

Electrical Capacity

The 138/46kV transformation is presently at capacity. The new Dry Creek Substation will not be on line until at least fall of 2001. Staff recommends holding off on new subdivisions until more capacity can be on line. A new substation in the north part of town will be considered for construction in 2003.

Water Pressure

Problems have existed in the past few years regarding pressure, especially for domestic uses. Regarding other problems, they have apparently been resolved.

Planning

Growth Peak Limited Until the Fall of 2001

Mr. Pierson stated that, based on the power limitations alone, staff recommends no growth until autumn 2001.

General Planning Philosophy

Many different choices need to be made to best accommodate the growth. Mr. Pierson reviewed building permit statistics. He recommended consideration of the following: concentrating on areas to help the overall city utilities; change master plan developments for R-1 zones; PUD/mixed use developments are the way to go.

Annexations

Consider growth management policies as goal number one and to provide for an orderly and efficient expansion of the city. He suggested additional requirements for people want to annex.

Open Space

There are options for saving open space were presented for consideration. Mr. Pierson recommended working with people toward win-win developments.

Changes to the Zoning Ordinance

Other recommendations presented by Mr. Pierson included adding more uses and removing other uses; setback requirements for decks; change peak height of homes; enforce outside display of products on public property; remove medical clinics from the C-2 zone; change property line rules for accessory buildings.

Billboards

Current signs are non-conforming. Simmons Media wants an additional billboard on Highway 6. Mr. Pierson advised the council on options for billboard permits and restrictions.

Trails

Our prospects and ideas have been discussed and are basically intertwined with the county. The proposed location of the trails was outlined.

Note: Mr. Pierson was excused to leave the meeting after his presentation.

Public Safety

Pedestrian Crossing Safety

Mr. Rosenbaum showed a video of police pulling over violators for not stopping for pedestrians walking in crosswalks.

Speeding Enforcement

Enforcement has been stepped up. 1700 tickets for speeding violations were issued last year, with half of them being issued on Main Street. Mr. Rosenbaum was given the go-ahead to continue pursuing violators in this area.

Traffic School

Most weekly classes have thirty or more people in them; annual attendance has increased from 1,023 in 1998 to 1,745 in 2000.

Speeding

Enforcement is high in particular areas of town where citizens and the public safety officers have the most concern.

Underage Alcohol/Tobacco Sales

Mr. Rosenbaum said a recent undercover operation lead to 5 out of 12 stores selling alcohol to minors. Options for liquor license revocation were discussed. An ordinance will be written clearly regarding expected standards and consequences for violations.

Other Programs

Other programs addressed included alcohol enforcement; tobacco compliance checks, major crimes task force, school resource officer; DARE officers; crime victim advocate; city youth court; public presentations; CERT program; ambulance; fire; and emergency preparedness. Councilmember James discussed his concerns with the fire and ambulance departments regarding personnel, demands, and policies. Drug problems were also discussed (meth, prescription drugs, and marijuana). Theft is the most reported crime and alcohol offenses are the highest court items.

Lunch

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1:20 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1:50.

Recreation

Computer Registration

Mr. Swenson talked about establishing a computerized registration database. Inventories and accounting will also be able to be done through this program.

Green House

Many flowers are grown at the greenhouse, but the old green house and current greenhouse is not adequate for the demands. Mr. Swenson requested consideration of the purchase of additional greenhouse.

Facility Updates

Fifty thousand dollars is budgeted for playground equipment at the City Park and at Canyon View Park. The installation will begin as soon as the weather permits. Parking at Centennial Park is a problem when many games occur simultaneously. The engineering department has worked out a design for additional parking. The new fairgrounds concrete fence has been installed. The cemetery fence has ben discolored by the iron from the well. The brick portion of the cemetery wall may need to be painted to prevent graffiti.

Water Park

An across the board increase was summarized for pool rates. The rates of seven other Utah County cities were compared. Mr. Swenson proposed an additional fan area be installed south of the pool since this is a very crowded area in the current pool.

Gun Club

The gun club property is city property, but a private organization operates the gun club. Recently the gun club president approached the city to ask the gun club to be under the city recreation department. The group still wants to be responsible for the management of the meets, yet turn the facility management to the city. Property line exchanges were analyzed, along with housing development and open space matters. The staff was instructed to continue researching the options and to make a formal proposal.

Skate Park

Seventy-five thousand dollars have been set aside for a skate park. The recreation department has visited numerous cities who have skate parks installed in their cities. The recreation committee made the recommendation to place the skate park near the junior high building. The item will be placed on the agenda February 20th.

New Ballpark

Mr. Swenson presented a photo update on the new ballpark.

Note: Mr. Bowcut was excused at 4 pm.

Non-Resident Issue

The recreation committee voted to place a \$100 cap per family on the non-resident fee. This issue will be brought before the council.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.