

**Adopted Minutes  
Spanish Fork City Council Meeting  
November 4, 2008**

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Joe L. Thomas; Councilmember's G. Wayne Andersen, Steve Leifson, Rod Dart, Jens Nielson, Richard M. Davis

Staff Present: Junior Baker, City Attorney; Dave Oyler, City Manager; Seth Perrins, Assistant City Manager; Richard Heap, Public Works Director; Dale Robinson, Parks and Recreation Director; Dave Anderson, City Planner; Kimberly Robinson, City Recorder

Citizens Present: Ashley Murdock, Kaitlyn, Jessica Murdock, Jacob Murdock, Catherine Murdock, John Murdock, Christopher Murdock, John Rotolo, John Lemich, Nate Simkins, Spencer Kearl, Adam Russell, John Russell, Shannon Russell, Mitchell Rucker, Colten Christensen, Carson Giles, Adam Wakeland, Jen Allen, Jason Rucker, Matt Huntsman, Susan Fausett, Melissa Girot, Kyle Fausett, Doug Huntsman, Kerri Huntsman, Jen Huntsman, Jason Matsuoka, McKay Bowcut, Carl Bowcut, Suanne Bowcut, Gracie Bowcut, Trisha Olsen, Malinda Olsen, Amanda Olsen, Eva Bradford, Clyde Bradford, Dawn Graham, William Graham, Todd F. Cope, Wesley Cope, Michael Lawe, Jansen Lee, Kaden Cook, Dylan Olsen, Taylor Johnston

**CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE:**

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order and lead in the pledge of allegiance at 6:00 p.m.

**Citizen Recognition Award**

Mr. Perrins gave a summary regarding the events that occurred. Luke Olsen, Adam Russell, Matt Huntsman, Jessica Murdock and Gracie Bowcut are being honored tonight. These Youth were at an Activity in the Mountains at Starvation Reservoir, their leader was swimming with them, he felt fatigued and lost consciousness. Their quick thinking and calmness resulted in their leader living. They presented each of them with a plaque for their service, A standing applause was given.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Nate Simkins

Mr. Simkins stated there has been a lot of friction at the skate park with bikers being kicked out by City staff and police, they are requesting the rules to be changed or that a bike park be made so they can bike. He stated he does not see a problem with them sharing but the current rule does not allow it.

Mr. Robinson stated the rule was created due to the contention between the bikers and skaters there are some communities that have set times for both to use the parks. Our skate park is not large enough and was not built to handle the capacity for both. There are some things they can look at doing but it is hard to have them there at the same time. When they researched there were problems with the bike peddles gouging the concrete and making it tough for the skaters.

Mayor Thomas stated he applauds them for coming to City Council, he is glad they did it the right way. He needs some more information regarding the issue.

Mr. Robinson stated there are some modifications other cities have done to those rules to allow bikers and skaters at different times.

Councilman Andersen feels this item should be referred to the Recreation Committee.

Taylor Johnston

Mr. Johnston asked if they were to raise the money would the City build a skate park.

The Council stated they would like the Recreation Department to see what they can do to accommodate both.

Mayor Thomas thanked them for coming.

Jansen Lee

Mr. Lee explained it is like having a baseball park and only letting softball players use it.

Jason Rucker

Mr. Rucker explained the kids have participated in a dirt BMX bike park where they can use the bikes and skills in that area. They have identified some areas in the city that might be good for the kids to use.

Councilman Leifson thinks comments are good and if they have suggestions and ideas to work with the Recreation Department. They will see what they can get done.

Mayor Thomas explained there is an area of property the City owns where the railroad tracks split that might be good for a bike park.

Mr. Robinson stated a BMX park is more attainable than a concrete skate park, they will take it to the Parks and Recreation Committee and do some research.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilman Andersen commented they met with UDOT and are progressing with keeping the interchange on the north end of town in their view. The Rodeo Committee met this afternoon and plans are well in hand for another great rodeo this next year.

Councilman Davis said the Youth Council is talking about doing a fund raiser at Festival of Lights selling hot chocolate. The Festival of Lights starts the 28<sup>th</sup> of November. There will be an Airport meeting this Thursday at 4:00, they will talk about hangar inspections and keys. There is an opening for an Airport Manager position, anyone interested can contact him. He stated these young people that helped save a life are great, they used their scout skills to save a life.

Councilman Nielson thanked all the poll workers and volunteers who make the election happen. We wouldn't have known of this life saving situation if a good reporter wouldn't

have brought it to their attention and anyone out there that deserves recognition should let them know.

Councilman Dart reported November is food for fines month at the library. He noted with the weather changing citizens need to be aware of older people who need help with snow removal, and be mindful of others that might need help.

Councilman Leifson said at the Parks and Recreation meeting they talked about the trail system they have it connected from Volunteer Park to the swimming pool. Also they secured a grant for \$140,000 to build a new Highway 6 trail from Center Street to North Park. The trail system is moving forward. They lost a great citizen J. Wayne Nelson he was on many committees and spent hours at the ball park, he helped build the first snack shack, and was superintendent for the school district. We have some great individuals in this town and it is an honor to be a part of the city and the people that live here.

Mayor Thomas congratulated Spanish Fork City for the windmills and setting a precedent for the entire state. This city has a lot to be proud of, and he is proud to be from Spanish Fork. Tomorrow he will be meeting with out of state people interested in the windmills and promoting a business park. He is meeting with someone dealing in solar options. The North Park latest update is that the developer stated they would have some response from the army core of engineers soon, and construction on one of the big boxes should start next year.

### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

#### **Minutes of Spanish Fork City Council Meeting – October 21, 2008 Spanish Fork Cheerleaders Fiesta Days Contract Main Street Plaza Parking Agreement**

Councilman Leifson made a **Motion** to approve the consent items with the changes to who recused themselves. Councilman Andersen **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Utah Valley Dispatch Special Service District Board Appointment**

Mr. Oyler stated the County is putting together a special service district to incorporate County dispatching. They need a recommendation to appoint a board member to that board. They will represent the City on the board for emergency dispatch. He stated the cost for dispatch services will go up because the County will no longer pay for those services.

Mayor Thomas stated Mr. Oyler should continue to serve on the board.

Mr. Oyler stated he is fine with continuing to serve.

Mayor Thomas appointed Dave Oyler to the board, once it is established and flowing he will let the Council know and they will appoint someone to the board, but not until it is running smoothly.

Councilman Leifson made a **Motion** to appoint Dave Oyler to the Utah Valley Dispatch Special Services Board. Councilman Dart **seconded** and the motion **passed** all in favor.

### **Southgate Village Trail Property Purchase Agreement**

Mr. Robinson explained the proposal to revise the agreement they entered into with Southgate Village. In order for them to complete the trail they have a grant, the association is asking for us to allow two accesses from their development, he also stated it allows the City to replace the solid fence with an open fence for safety reasons. The purchase price has not changed this is just a revision to the agreement.

Councilman Nielson made a **Motion** to approve the purchase agreement for Southgate Village trail property. Councilman Davis **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

### **ADJOURN:**

Councilman Andersen made a **Motion** to adjourn to Executive session for sale of property. Councilman Davis **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor at 6:27 p.m.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2008

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Kimberly Robinson, City Recorder