

**MINUTES OF COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

7:00 p.m.

**Cottonwood Heights Council Chamber
1265 East Fort Union Boulevard, Suite 300
Cottonwood Heights, Utah**

Members Present: Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore, Councilman Scott Bracken, Councilwoman, Nicole Omer, Councilman Gordon Thomas, Councilman Tee Tyler

Staff Present: City Manager Liane Stillman, Deputy City Manager Kevin Smith, City Attorney Shane Topham, Planning Director Michael Black, Chief Robby Russo, Assistant Chief Paul Brennemen, Assistant Chief Mike Watson, Public Information Specialist Bob Warnick, Sgt. Chris Gebhardt, Sheila Jennings, Shelly Hansen, Alice Winberg

Also Present: Bruce Jones, Don Antczak, Stephanie Archibald, Kevin Cromar, William McCarvel, Jared and Cherie Thomas, Steve and Trish Fawcett, Robert Netzel, Ty Braola, Doug Shelby, Bob Fowler, Evert Bolle, Mike Hanson, Joyce Fennor

1.0 **WELCOME/PLEDGE/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

1.1 Mayor Cullimore opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those attending.

1.2 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Tee Tyler.

2.0 **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

2.1 No comments were received.

3.0 **PUBLIC HEARING**

3.1 **Public Hearing to Receive Input on a Proposed Donation to Friends of the Utah Avalanche Center**

3.2 William McCarvel expressed his thanks for the opportunity to speak to the council and stated that he advocates this contribution to the Avalanche Center it provides a much needed service since the back country is quite busy these days with skiers, snowshoers and others recreationalists.

3.3 Mayor Cullimore agreed and stated that notifications from the Avalanche Service help avoid the long lines of idling cars that pile up on our city streets when the canyons are closed.

4.0 **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

4.0.1 Mayor Cullimore stated another first has occurred in our city – the first change in the city council. We are pleased to welcome Councilman Tyler and Councilwoman Omer. They are replacing two venerable members of our council who were part of the establishment of this city and made

significant contributions to the start up of the city. Tonight it is our honor to make a proclamation for former councilmen Don Antczak and Bruce Jones.

4.1 Proclamation Honoring Councilman Don Antczak for Service to the City

4.1.1 Mayor Cullimore read the Proclamation honoring Councilman Antczak he then invited Councilman Antczak to come forward. Mayor Cullimore commented that he has know Don for over 30 years and added nobody knew the city like Don. He was one of the visionaries in the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center and served on the board of trustees for 38 years, five years on the City Council, and as a member of the incorporation committee. There are very few people in the community who have given the kind of service that Don Antczack has to making life better for all of us.

4.1.2 Councilman Antczack accepted the Proclamation and expressed appreciation for the acknowledgement.

4.2 Proclamation Honoring Councilman Bruce Jones for Service to the City

4.2.1 Mayor Cullimore read the Proclamation honoring Councilman Jones. He then invited Councilman Jones to come forward. Mayor Cullimore commented that in the 5 years since we became a city we have gained tremendous respect in the political community in Salt Lake County due to leveraging the reputation and knowledge of Councilman Jones. He is well known and respected in county and state government. He brought a vision to the city that benefited all and made significant contributions to the city that will be greatly missed.

4.2.2 Councilman Jones accepted the Proclamation and expressed how humbling and what an honor of 5 years it has been serving the city.

4.3 Recognition of Stephanie Archibald, Valley Journal Reporter

4.3.1 Mayor Cullimore asked Stephanie Archibald to come forward and stated that Stephanie has been the reporter for the Valley Journal assigned to our city for the past three years. She has done a fabulous job. We respect her greatly and will miss her. She will be taking a job with the Canyons School district. She was presented with a gift basket of city memorabilia.

4.3.2 Stephanie expressed her thanks to the city. She then introduced her replacement, Bruce Yort, who moved here from Bend Oregon where he wrote for a community paper.

4.3.3 Mayor Cullimore welcomed Mr. Yort

4.3.4 Mr. Yort commented that we have a great community here.

4.4 Introduction of Neighborhood Watch Coordinators

4.4.1 Chief Brenneman spoke of reinvigorating the neighborhood watch community that has existed within the city the past several years. He then introduced the Area Coordinators, Al Haslam and Joe Weeks, serving the central district; Bryant Cox (not in attendance) and Renee Netzel represented by her husband Bob Netzel, representing the west district; Stacey Skelton and Rob Aubry, representing the east district; Sheila Jennings, Neighborhood Watch Crime Prevention Specialist and serves as the liaison between the Police Department and the committee, and Mike Galieti Coordinator for the city. He talked of what the Neighborhood Watch is intended to be

indicating the area coordinators are the backbone of this program. It is their job to recruit, organize, and train. This is their program not the city's. They should be commended for their service in this endeavor.

4.4.2 Joe Weeks, Area Coordinator presented a PowerPoint presentation on "Cottonwood Heights Neighborhood Watch". He stated that background checks are made on all neighborhood coordinators. There is a lot of participation in the neighborhood block parties, and they also have a website chneighborhoodwatch.com. A City map showing participating neighborhoods was also presented.

4.4.3 Mayor Cullimore thanked Mr. Weeks and commented on how appreciative the city is to have leaders like him that are willing to give their time.

4.4.4 Chief Russo thanked the volunteers and acknowledged Sheila Jennings for organizing this program.

4.4.5 Al Haslam, Area Coordinator acknowledged Mike Galieti and the police force for the extra time they spend with them.

4.5 **Police Report**

4.5.1 Sgt. Gebhardt presented a PowerPoint presentation on "December 2009 Statistical Update". He reviewed statistics and indicated there was a big spike for Level 2 response times from November to December because of the weather. Year end comparisons for the last four months of 2008 and 2009 show a 13.5% drop in over all crime. District 1 has a larger amount of crime because most of the businesses are in this area with Home Depot and Target having a number of frauds and theft.

Sgt. Gebhardt showed a statistical comparison on DUI arrests between Cottonwood Heights and areas of New York State. The slide indicated that Cottonwood Heights has a much higher ratio of DUI arrests than these very populous areas. The point made was that DUI enforcement is a high priority with the CHPD and in doing so it makes the streets of Cottonwood Heights much safer.

4.5.2 Mayor Cullimore commented that this is an important emphasis on our City because although some would claim we are being overzealous in our efforts, every time a drunk driver is taken off the road it makes the city safer for everybody.

4.5.3 Sgt. Gebhardt completed the stats review. Discussions were made and reports on current cases were reported to the Council.

4.5.4 PowerPoint presentation is available on the website www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov.

4.6 **Public Works Report**

4.6.1 Deputy City Manager Kevin Smith reviewed the "Public Works Projects Status Report" for December. He indicated that December is a slow month for capital projects. In February the city plans to bid out the Fort Union paving project between 1300 East and the Whitmore library. It is a 1.2 million dollar project to resurface that road. In early February will begin notifying the public and business community about the planned project.

- 4.6.2 Signal upgrades are still in process - more will be completed in March. Trip hazard mitigation is completely done for this year and will start again in the summer. The roof structure of the bridge on the Big cottonwood canyon trail is now in place and the last 200 feet of asphalt is all that remains of this section.

Mr. Smith gave a brief review of the Energy Efficient Block Grant Program. He then asked if anyone had any questions or comments.

- 4.6.2 Mayor Cullimore commented on how good the Christmas lights looked on the Park Centre triangle and indicated he received several compliments. He would like to see the flags up.

Mr. Smith stated that the flags came in last week and will be assigning someone to get those up.

- 4.6.3 A complete copy of this report is available to the public.

4.7 **Ordinance (Tavaci)**

(Report form Planning Director on formation of citizen advisory committee and planned meetings.)

- 4.7.1 Planning Director Michael Black gave a report on the status of forming the Citizens Advisory Committee for Canyons Resort Residential Ordinance (Tavaci). He stated that the committee members that were chosen have all accepted to be part of the committee; Ronald Moffitt, Sue Ryser, Will McCarvill, Bill Carrigan, Kris Mateus, David Rees, Dr. Brian Homer, Gordon Walker, Carl Blanda, Lindsay Holt, Joanne Frost, Niels Valentiner, and Neal Stowe. Gordon Walker has agreed to be the Chair. An agenda is being put together for the first meeting to be held here on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. which is a logistical meeting for committee members. The following meeting is set tentatively for Thursday, January 28, 2010, the committee will decide on meeting dates. The following meetings will be open to the public and held here with committee members and people giving presentations.

- 4.7.2 Councilman Tyler asked how the public will be notified. Mr. Black indicated that Agendas will be published on the website.

- 4.7.3 Councilman Bracken asked if there was a time frame for these meeting. Mr. Black stated that a minimum of five meetings rapping up the first of March are anticipated at present, but that could change based on decisions of the committee

- 4.7.4 Mayor Cullimore expressed appreciation for the committee members' willingness to serve.

5.0 **ACTION ITEMS**

5.1 **Consideration of Ordinance No. 149 Amending Chapter 19.90 (Amendments and Rezoning) Adding Zoning Conditions for Specified Zones**

- 5.1.1 Councilman Thomas moved to approve Resolution No. 2009-50. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bracken and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.2 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-01 Ratifying the Election of Gordon Thomas as Mayor Pro Tempore for a Period of Two Years**

- 5.2.1 Councilman Bracken moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-01. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tyler and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.3 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-02 Appointing Steven Fawcett as Finance Director for Cottonwood Heights**

5.3.1 Steven Fawcett introduced himself. He worked for Salt Lake City for 30 years. After a brief retirement he decided to go back to work. He is excited to be working for one of the newest cities in the Valley after working for one of the oldest.

5.3.2 Councilman Tyler moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-02. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bracken and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.4 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-03 Approving a Donation in the Amount of \$500 to the Friends of the Utah Avalanche Center**

5.4.1 Councilman Bracken moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-03. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Omer and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.5 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-04 Ratifying a Independent Contractor Agreement with Vic Galanis to Provide Real Estate Services to the City**

5.5.1 Councilman Thomas moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-04. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Omer and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.6 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-05 Declaring Certain Property Surplus**

5.6.1 Councilman Thomas moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-05. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bracken and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.7 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2010-06 Appointing Nicole Omer to the Salt Lake County Sanitation Board**

5.7.1 Councilman Tyler moved to approve Resolution No. 2010-06. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

6.1 Councilwoman Omer moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bracken and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The business meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.