

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JULY 28, 2009, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore, Councilman Don Antczak, Councilman Scott Bracken, Councilman Bruce Jones, Councilman Gordon Thomas

EXCUSED: City Attorney Shane Topham

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Liane Stillman, Deputy City Manager Kevin Smith, Police Chief Robby Russo, Public Information Specialist Bob Warnick, Assistant Chief Mike Watson, Chris Gebhardt, Assistant Chief Paul Brenneman

OTHERS PRESENT: Natalie Callahan, Stephanie Archibald, Evert Bolke, Steven Sullivan, Richard Blanck, Jordan Daynes, Gideon Stowell, Ron Wilkens, Tessa Bartlett, Tom Guinney, Bruce Thayne, Andrew Cheng, Neva Baker

1.0 WELCOME/PLEDGE/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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

1.2 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Thomas.

1.3 Mayor Cullimore acknowledged Natalie Callahan, representing the Youth City Council.

2.0 CITIZEN COMMENTS

2.1 No comments were received.

3.0 PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

3.1.1 Mayor Cullimore acknowledged the Unified Fire Authority members in attendance. He read a proclamation declaring the month of August as Unified Fire Authority Appreciation Month and supporting the "Pass the Boot Program" which raises funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Mayor Cullimore noted the firefighters have done a great job of participating in the spirit of the community that Cottonwood Heights is trying to establish. People feel that the UFA is part of the city because of the effort the local crews demonstrate.

3.1.2 Mayor Cullimore read the proclamation into the public record.

- 3.1.3 Councilman Thomas expressed appreciation to the members of Station 110 for the kindness they have shown to his son when he has visited the station.

3.2 **Unified Fire Report**

- 3.2.1 Chief Watson reviewed the statistics for June 2009. There were 89 fire calls this year compared with 78 last year; and 161 medical calls compared to 177 last year.

Chief Watson said that the fuels in the urban interface areas are drying out and becoming an issue. The wet spring extended the growing season and the fuels are longer and denser than in the past. UFA recently responded to two field fires in the city and surrounding areas that were caused by the improper use of illegal fireworks. He encouraged residents to use caution and follow regulations when using an open flame or fireworks in these areas.

The customer service message for Stations 116 and 110 were reviewed, and Chief Watson expressed appreciation to the Mayor and Council for support of the Fill the Boot campaign to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

- 3.2.2 Station 110 has been on 43 advanced life support calls and 30 basic life support calls for a total of 73 medical responses with 57 calls resulting in transports. Station 116 has been on 38 advanced life support calls and 13 basic life support calls for a total of 51 medical calls resulting in 42 transports.

3.3 **June Financial Report**

- 3.3.1 Finance Director David Muir reviewed June's financial report. Finance is working on making sure all revenues are recognized and all expenditures for the fiscal year are appropriately classified. Sales tax will come in under \$5 million which is approximately 89 percent of last year's collections.
- 3.3.2 A complete copy of the report is available to the public.

4.0 **ACTION ITEMS**

4.1 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2009-44 Approving Entry Into an Agreement with National Benefit Services, LLC for a City Cafeteria Plan**

- 4.1.1 **MOTION:** Councilman Antczak moved to approve Resolution No. 2009-44. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

4.2 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2009-45 Approving Entry Into an Agreement with Mutual of Omaha for Short Term Disability Insurance**

4.2.1 **MOTION:** Councilman Thomas moved to approve Resolution No. 2009-45. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bracken and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

5.1 **Approval of June 23 and July 14, 2009 Minutes**

5.1.1 The minutes were approved as submitted.

Scout Troop 1005 from the Wasatch Fifth and Seventh wards attended the City Council meeting to work on their Citizenship in the Community merit badge.

City Manager Liane Stillman reported on the Wasatch Canyons Steering Committee Meeting during the business meeting so that the scouts could hear about an issue that is controversial and has many participants in the decision-making process.

The Wasatch Canyons Steering Committee is made up of representatives of the following: recreation industry, environmental groups, watershed, public transportation, open space, dog community, private property homeowners; developers, native populations (rattle snakes, wolves, deer, etc.) and mining. Every use requires transportation in and out of the canyons and there is no way to put the cars up the canyon for everyone that needs access, and still be able to protect the environment.

The steering committee discusses how the future of the canyons will be dealt with as the population of Salt Lake County increases. A determination has to be made of which issues are most important and have first priority. At this time the priority is based on the canyon, with each canyon having a different emphasis. Public open houses will be held at which four scenarios will be presented and she encouraged the scouts to attend.

Councilman Bracken moved to adjourn the business meeting and reconvene the work session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The business meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Approved: August 11, 2009