

RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 2006

The regular meeting of the Richmond City Council was held at the Richmond Community Building located at 6 West Main, Richmond, UT on June 20, 2006. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Mike Hall was in the chair. The opening remarks were made by Brad Jensen.

The following Council members were in attendance: Brad Jensen, Terrie Wierenga, Keith Ward, Allen Lundgreen and Leslie Erickson.

A motion to accept the May 16, 2006 City Council meeting minutes was made by Terrie, seconded by Keith and the vote was unanimous.

DEPUTY REPORT

MAYOR: Deputy Eggleston has another commitment tonight and cannot attend. He has asked that we contact him with the date of the City party so that he can make arrangements to have officers in attendance. I informed him that we appreciated all the help from the Sheriff's office during the Black & White Days celebration.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

BOB HUGO: Jay Downs, Smithfield City Fire Chief, is here with us tonight to make a presentation on the November 15, 2005 fire that occurred at Mortimer Pallet Company in Smithfield.

JAY DOWNS: On November 15, 2005, at 40 West 400 South at 9:45 P.M., a house fire was reported. Upon arriving at the scene there were flames over 60 feet high. I made the call for a 2nd alarm. Our first priority was to save the homes, and protect the propane tanks and nitrous oxide tank from exploding. We were putting approximately 1,000 gallons of water per minute on the fire at that time. The fire progressed and I made the call to issue a 3rd and 4th alarm. All but one fire engine from Cache Valley was utilized in this fire. There were 75 fire fighters on the scene, as well as 11 Chief Officers. There was very minor damage to all the surrounding structures due to the coordinated effort of everyone involved. At the peak of the fire there was 2,500 – 3,500 gallons of water per minute being put on the fire. Damage was approximately \$500,000. Even though there were several fire fighters and officials on scene there was still coverage to all surrounding areas in case an emergency occurred in that area was well.

BOYD: If the business owner had insurance, would the fire departments be reimbursed any amount?

JAY: No, tax dollars are what pay for emergencies like this fire.

BRAD: Richmond does not have the water capacity of Smithfield. What would happen if a fire like that occurred in Richmond?

JAY: We would focus our effort on the most important areas first. We would prioritize to save and do everything we could with the resources available.

MAYOR: Who would be in charge if there was a fire like this in Richmond?

JAY: The local Captain would be in charge unless he delegated his authority to someone else.

VETERAN'S COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

GAIL ALVEY: The Veteran's committee was established in 2001 with 11 members. There are 9 remaining members. Garr Christensen and Dell Tripp have passed away. Our goal was to raise \$50,000 for the creation of the memorial. We were able to raise around \$47,000. Our cost for the project was between \$37,000 – \$38,000. With some of the remaining donation money we purchased flags and markers for the graves at the cemetery. Our goal was to construct the memorial in 12 months, which many said could not be done, but it was completed in May 2002 and dedicated on June 1, 2002. Currently we have around \$8,900 in the Veteran's fund. Our committee would like to ask the City to take the money and put it in their account and pay our expenses as needed. The committee is getting older and we want to have the fund to continue on in the future without problems. We are currently seeking 2 new members. We would still keep the committee together but when we need money we would contact the City to disperse the funds.

BOYD: We would just keep a separate account for them with their money in it dedicated for their use only.

CACHE TRASH PRESENTATION

JANNA KIDMAN: We believe that people should have a choice of who they use for their garbage collection. Currently in Cache Valley there is only one choice.

BRUCE KIDMAN: Privatization is normally cheaper and better.

JANNA: We want you to have a choice for this service. The County is going to increase your fees each year for the next 5 years, we would guarantee no increase for 5 years. We believe in recycling but think it should be a choice, not mandatory. The garbage would be collected and transported to Box Elder County, not the Logan landfill. The Box Elder County landfill needs our garbage to be profitable. Right now they are not getting enough garbage to be profitable. They would charge us \$26.25 per ton at the Box Elder County landfill.

BRUCE: It is becoming the standard that garbage is transported elsewhere.

JANNA: Our rates would be cheaper than the County fee and this would help those on a fixed income. We also think that the city should be reimbursed for doing the billing for our service. In the beginning we would pay 1.5% of the revenue back to the city as an invoicing fee. There are some ownership questions on the cans. We are currently working with the County Attorney to resolve this issue. The County will force each household to have 3 cans in the future. A blue one for recycling, a green one for green waste and the current black one for all other waste. By 2009, they don't want any green waste at the landfill at all. Forty-nine percent of current recycling comes from the big blue dumpsters that have been established throughout the valley, 48% from commercial use, and the remaining 3% from private citizens that currently have the blue cans at their household. The County is trying to adopt a "No Flow Control" Ordinance that would help to monopolize the garbage collection in the valley. We believe that people should be rewarded for recycling not have to pay fees like the county will enforce.

BOYD: My understanding from listening to the radio this morning is that a year notice has to be given to terminate our contract with the County?

JANNA: We are trying to find out the specifics but it may be the case that a year notice is required. This is a brand new business that we are trying to establish but need to secure contracts with local cities before we can begin operation.

BOYD: If you can transport our garbage to Box Elder County and make a profit, why would Cache County not do the same thing?

BRUCE: They don't pay a dump fee at the local landfill but would have to pay a dump fee if they used the Box Elder County landfill. Box Elder put in a low bid to encourage them to use that landfill but the County rejected it.

MAYOR: How many communities do you need to commit in order to be successful?

JANNA: We can be profitable with 6,000 – 7,000 households. We have had a very positive response with cities in the south end of the valley. Smithfield, Hyde Park and North Logan have not been too excited about our option.

MAYOR: We appreciate you taking the time to come and make this presentation. We have been contacted by a couple of other companies as well and will let you know if we decide to bid this service.

MAYOR: The County has reviewed the feasibility of transporting the garbage to Box Elder County and they could not see that it would be possible from a financial aspect. I have contacted several mayors about this issue and the mayors at the south end of the valley and at this time, they are not going to join Cache Trash. They are just reviewing all their options and will make an informed decision.

TERRIE: They did not address how often they would pick up the garbage? It could be once every two weeks or a month.

MAYOR: Issa Hamud, Sanitation Engineer for Logan City, will be attending the July Council meeting to explain why the County has gone in the direction they are going. I have also extended an invitation to Daryl Gibbons and Craig Peterson of the Cache County Council to get their views as well.

BUSINESS LICENSE

NICHOLE SPARKS: I would like to obtain a business license for AR Solutions. I currently do medical coding and billing in a Logan office but my boss is quitting this service and I would like to be able to do this at my residence.

Approved by Council.

MARLOWE: Style Rite Salon owned by Cheryl Anderson previously had a business license but she did not renew last year. She would now like to renew her old license.

LESLIE: Is she licensed for a day spa?

MAYOR: What is a day spa?

TERRIE: A day spa is tanning, massages and other services that require a license.

LESLIE: I want information on her licensing before we continue.

MAYOR: We need Cheryl to visit with the Council or provide copies of her certifications for our review at the July Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING concerning the Adoption of the Budget July 1 2006 to June 30, 2007 and to reopen the Current Budget

***A motion to close the regular Council meeting and open the public hearing was made by Terrie, seconded by Keith and the vote was unanimous. ***

BOYD: I would suggest that each department monitor their budget very closely. There might need to be more explanation so they have a better understanding of what happens.

BRAD: Is there currently a spending limit per transaction in place?

BOYD: If one department overspends, the amount they are over their budget will have to come from another department. Each departments decisions effect every other department as well.

KEITH: I am concerned that there is not enough budgeted for road repairs. Is there anything that can be done?

BOYD: It would have to come from the Capital Projects fund and we need to be careful when we use this fund.

MAYOR: I would prefer to only do what we have budgeted and not use Capital Projects fund money.

A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular Council meeting was made by Terrie, seconded by Leslie and the vote was unanimous.

A motion to adopt the changes as proposed to the July 2005 – June 2006 City Budget was made by Leslie, seconded by Terrie and the vote was unanimous.

A motion to adopt the July 2006 – June 2007 City Budget was made by Leslies, seconded by Terrie and the vote was unanimous.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

MARLOWE: On the petition by Gary Gibbons in relation to the annexation of his property north of town, it has to be placed on hold at this time. Regulations within Utah Code Annotated have changed and it is now mandatory to have a recordable map by a licensed surveyor before the petition can be considered. Gary's son said they will have this information for your review at the July Council meeting. If the annexation is passed between May 1 – Oct 31 it won't take effect until January 1 per new state regulations. I propose that the City party be on September 15th.

TERRIE: The Utah League of Cities and Towns is that weekend. What about the previous week?

MARLOWE: How about Friday, September 8th at 6:00 P.M.?

City party to be on Friday, September 8th, approved by Council.

MARLOWE: The new SCADA system has been installed and is functioning. It has already warned us of several problems. Currently, when the alarm is triggered, Ben is contacted first, then Rob followed by myself. Ben has asked if the SCADA System software can be installed on his home computer. This would allow him to monitor and adjust the system without having to go to the Maintenance Shop.

TERRIE: Does he have up to date firewall and virus protection?

MAYOR: I think it is acceptable to allow the software to be installed if it does not affect the integrity of the system.

MARLOWE: Is the Council willing to allow the software installation if he has a current firewall and anti-virus installed?

MAYOR: Please make sure with Mike Hiltz that the system cannot be comprised.

A motion to allow installation of the SCADA software at Ben Lundgreen's residence was made by Keith, seconded by Leslie. Brad – YES, Leslie – YES, Allen – YES, Keith – YES, Terrie – NO. The motion passes by a vote of 4 -1.

MARLOWE: Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing Corporation is searching in the city for areas to construct affordable housing for lower income families. Currently our zoning ordinance states that there must be 2,000 feet between multi-family dwellings. They are wondering if the Council would consider making a change to the ordinance relative to this distance which would allow them to purchase property for this project.

BRAD: Shouldn't this go to Planning and Zoning first?

MARLOWE: This starts with the Council to see if would be considered. If it would be considered, then to Planning and Zoning for the formalities of making the changes and then back to the City Council.

MAYOR: If we make an exception for them then what about everyone else that comes along asking the same or similar request. It will not be considered; they need to meet the current regulations.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

BRAD: Does anyone know how many homes can be connected to our water system without having problems?

MARLOWE: I don't know but will find the results of the study that was completed years ago for your review at the next meeting. This should be reviewed thoroughly since Lower's wants to expand and use more water as well as the proposed Rogers subdivision that will be coming before the Council.

TERRIE: I believe the study showed around 500 homes but it was completed before Lower's was using their current intake.

BRAD: What is Lower's current sewer usage?

MARLOWE: Also keep in mind that the study included the use of the well at 600 South. This well cannot be used.

LESLIE: I believe the Century 21 study that was completed in 2000 showed 334 homes.

MARLOWE: We need more information on this, it is a big concern. I know that our intent was to drill a well in 2008 and add a 1-2 million gallon storage tank.

MAYOR: Relative to the proposed sewage treatment plant, we were prepared for our presentation to the State in June but they are not prepared for us and have slid our presentation into the August meeting since they do not meet in July. The State is also asking for more information and we are providing it to them. We should be able to present the proposal in August, it could then be voted on in September. If passed we could start the bidding phase in January 2007. One big question that the State wants answered is the usage and impact that Lower's has on the system.

BRAD: The Fire Department has been rather quiet, just a few small calls.

LESLIE: Boone Hansen is currently doing his Eagle Scout project on the tennis courts. He has made an incredible change and everyone should stop and look at the improvements he has made. Brad's son has an Eagle Scout project that Brad would like to present to the Council.

BRAD: My son, Taylor, has several options for Eagle Scout projects at the park. Option 1 is to do a 5 feet wide curbed walkway from the bathrooms to the pavilion. The approximate cost of the gravel and cement would be \$672.00. Option 2, would be to do a straight walkway from the sidewalk to the pavilion. Approximate cost of \$571.00. Option 3, is to do a 5 foot walkway around the entire pavilion at a cost of \$718.00. Option 4, would be to replace the existing damaged cement pad to the south of the pavilion and then extend the new pad to the pavilion. Cost would be \$721.00. Option 5, would be to do a 5 foot walkway around the bathrooms. His goal is to have the project completed by the city party in September.

Council approved the curved sidewalk from the bathrooms to pavilion.

BRAD: I will coordinate help of the City employees with Leslie.

ALLEN: Kate Abbott is resigning from Planning and Zoning to go on a church mission. Rod Anderson has informed me of his resignation as well. I would propose that Daryl

Black be appointed for Kate’s position. I would also, with the Council’s permission, like to ask Jason Crafts to take Rod’s position.

Daryl Black and Jason Crafts were both approved by Council.

ALLEN: Due to an illness in his family, Tim Smith has not been able to devote very much time to the Neighborhood Watch Program. Tim said that Lora is feeling much better and that he will be able to start moving forward with the program. I would like to see an ordinance presented at the July Council meeting in regards to the chip-sealing that will need to happen on new roads that are put into subdivisions.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MAYOR: Just a reminder that we need to meet on Tuesday, June 27th for about 5 minutes to approve the bills for the budget year end. I have asked Robert Whitman to join the Cub River Sports Complex Board of Directors. Rod Anderson’s boy will install the “Welcome to Richmond” sign at the South end of town soon. I have been contacted about another sign for the West or North end of Richmond as an Eagle Scout project as well.

TERRIE: What is the status of the park strips?

MARLOWE: I have not received any information on this. I don’t even know the name of the landscaping contractor.

MAYOR: With the help of Senator Hillyard and with the cooperation of the three local school principals it looks like we could receive a signal light at the Maverik intersection. There are thirteen federal criteria that must be met to receive a signal light. Twelve of the thirteen have been met. With help from the local principals the thirteenth criteria is being met. There is a small possibility that if approved the signal light could be installed by the beginning of the school year in August.

A motion to pay the following bills was made by Terrie, seconded by Keith, and the vote was unanimous.

Allen Lundgreen	184.16
Alpine Industries	1575.00
Al's Sporting Goods	273.39
Al's Trophies	410.58
Al's Trophies	20.00
Al's Trophies	117.50
Al's Trophies	27.50
Al's Trophies	315.00
Anderson Seed	173.93
Anderson Seed	138.97
Aqua	2623.91
AT&T	73.19
AT&T	33.42
AT&T	32.01
Bair Auto Repair	173.99

Bair Auto Repair	50.00
Bair Auto Repair	1054.8
Bair Auto Repair	117.74
Bair Auto Repair	104
Bair Auto Repair	2153.07
Bair Auto Repair	189.20
Bair Auto Repair	12.95
Bair Auto Repair	26.25
Bear River Health	40.00
Blue Stakes	35.78
Bridgerland Applied Tech	765.00
Cache County Corp	18800.00
Cache Service Area	12892.60
Cache Valley Craft	22.75
Cache Valley Craft	48.68
Cantwell brothers	9.54
Centurion Technologies	222.20
Cherry Creek Soap	200.00
Chevron	225.53
Chevron	62.53
Chris Purser	82.84
Christensen Construction	195.00
Christensen Construction	1075.00
CNH Capital	240.58
Colonial Flag	254.15
Consumer Reports	26.00
Dan Miller	300.00
Dell	1954.96
Dell	195.42
Dell	20.00
Dennys	79.92
Denny's	58.47
Denny's	19.49
Denny's	20.38
Denny's	143.96
Denny's	74.49
Deputy Matt Pearce	18.50
DJJK	800.00
Ecosystems	90.00
Ecosystems	90.00
Elk Ridge Transport	3280.00
Environmental Resource Assoc	326.49
Every Bloomin' Thing	17.02
Ferguson	1131.16
Ferguson	15.01
Ferguson	41.00
Gall's	175.83
Gall's	39.30
Gall's	324.64
Hall Oil	1087.17

Intermountain Farmers	82.93
Intermountain Traffic	153.82
Itty Bitty	320.13
Jeff Turley	1110.00
L.D's	137.84
L.D's	183.35
Lee's	46.32
Lee's	57.37
Lee's	109.05
Lee's	38.08
Maverik	252.07
Maverik	593.10
Modern Display	305.51
NAPA Communications	45.00
Nextel	98.63
Nextell	98.58
North Cache Vet	50.00
Northwood Rental	52.00
Northwood Rental	50.00
Olson & Hoggan	2387.00
PC's Unlimited	19.95
Peterson Plumbing	72.34
Pitcher Propane	156.95
Pitcher Propane	10.12
Pitcher Sales	56.08
Pitcher Sales	262.66
Questar	90.38
Questar	102.17
Questar	61.84
Questar	157.71
Questar	26.03
Questar	56.41
Questar	34.05
Qwest	67.92
Qwest	63.89
Qwest	314.36
Randy's	101.80
Randy's	881.68
Randy's	50.00
Randy's	39.30
Randy's	12.00
Randy's	32.88
Randy's	15.00
Randy's	30.00
Randy's	892.32
Randy's	160.72
Randy's	99.80
Remote Control Systems	41650.00
Rockmount	99.45
Sagebrush	1279.95

Sign Pro	325.50
Smithfield Auto	19.63
Smithfield Auto	100
Smithfield Auto	19.35
Smithfield Auto	9.60
Smithfield Auto	48.67
Smithfield Auto	30.14
Smithfield Auto	33.55
Smithfield Auto	23.11
Smithfield Auto	15.64
Smithfield Auto	32.5
Smithfield Auto	69.28
Smithfield Auto	13.31
Smithfield Auto	13.57
Smithfield Auto	6.86
Smithfield Auto	58.26
Smithfield Auto	29.82
Smithfield Auto	28.64
Smithfield Auto	11.12
Smithfield Imp	280.78
Smithfield imp	45.47
Smithfield Imp	21.60
Smithfield Imp	77.60
Smithfield imp	58.19
Smithfield imp	13.97
Smithfield imp	68.76
Smithfield Imp	6.18
Smithfield Imp	21.98
Sprinkler Supply	55.21
Square One Printing	166.75
Square One Printing	13.00
Standard Plumbing	50.80
Staples	35.91
Staples	29.97
Terry Murray	28.00
Thatcher	481.74
Thatcher	867.80
The Greenhouse	189.33
The Herald Journal	485.28
The Herald Journal	47.03
The Home Depot	22.17
The Home Depot	407.72
The Home Depot	6.84
The Home Depot	16.76
The Home Depot	116.85
The Home Depot	22.96
The House Doctor	1172.60
Theurers Store	354.94
Theurers Store	542.74
Thread Images	295.00

Tony's Grove	505.08
Tony's Grove	513.41
Tree Brother Co	500.00
Utah Power	135.87
Utah Power	34.26
Utah Power	1143.36
Utah Power	64.09
Utah Power	16
Utah Power	29.25
Utah Power	4.47
Utah Power	105.27
Utah Power	274.48
Utah Power	246.35
Utah Power	4.56
Utah Power	10.98
Utah Power	173.78
Utah Power	5.78
Utah Power	5.41
Utah Power	32.32
Utah Power	52.90
Visa-Lewiston State Bank	727.98
Waldenbook Co.	129.26
World Media Express	123.40
Xerox	239.03
Zions Bank	11450.00

A motion to adjourn was made by Keith, seconded by Brad, and the vote was unanimous.

Adjournment at 10:15 P.M.

Michael E. Hall, Mayor

Justin B. Lewis, Recorder