PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH,
April 16, 2015

Closed Session
To discuss Property, Personnel and Pending Litigation

Work Session
Council Questions and Comments and Manager's Report
Council member Simpson states she enjoyed attending the ULCT conference last week in St. George. She will type up her notes to share. Attended the quarterly police meeting where they extended Chief Hewitt's contract. Attended the joint Public Transit Advisory Board meeting.

Council member Henney echoed Simpson's comments on the ULCT conference. Attended the Mountain Lands Community Trust board meeting where they discussed a plaque to commemorate Bob Wells. They're also working on a mission statement. Attended the quarterly police meeting where Diane Foster spoke and several great trainings were presented. He states the chief spoke on community policing and law enforcement. Attended the Summit Mosquito Abatement meeting yesterday and reports they are gearing up for the season and hiring new workers but not anticipating a bad mosquito season. Henney acknowledged the recent wedding of Council Member Peek and wishes him a happy birthday.

Council member Beerman also attended the police quarterly meeting and states Jolene Weston, HR, did a great job on respect in the workplace training. He thanks the police for their help with the hostage and bomb threat hoax at his hotel over Easter as their response was tremendous. Reports he has attended some Mountain Accord meetings. Mentions the locals are out in force now that most of the tourists have gone home.

Council member Matsumoto attended the Planning Commission meeting last week where they forwarded a negative recommendation. Attended the Library Board meeting and reports they plan to open to the public on June 13th. She went to Zions National Park over Easter with her family and reports the grocery store in Springdale charges 5 cents for grocery bags but boxes are free.

Mayor Thomas also attended the ULCT conference and was able to reconnect with old colleagues. He felt the presentations were very worthwhile. Attended a roast at the Wasatch Bagel Shop where he was interviewed by the LSDM group.

Mountain Accord Update
Mayor Thomas thanked Ann Ober for the manager's report on the Mountain Accord update and asks if there are any comments. No comments were made.

LED Street Lights - The Smart Option

Matt Abbott, Jason Christensen and Troy Daley spoke to the retrofit of the LED lights citywide. Daley states staff received positive public feedback and would like to move forward on the project and states Staff would do the replacement in house to save money. Council member Simpson asks how long the LED bulbs will last. Daley states approximately 20 years. Council member Beerman asks how many lights will be retrofitted. Abbot states they will all be replaced in phases. Council member Matsumoto reports the lights on Bonanza look great and is on board with the retrofit, as is Council member Peek; however, he states he would like to keep the night sky as dark as possible. Council member Henney spoke to the redundancy in lighting to avoid overkill, especially in residential areas. Council member Beerman asks if the Rocky Mountain Power lights will also be changed out. Abbott says they are on the schedule but some of them will have to be bought by the city. Foster asks if Council is in favor of a work session on a lighting study.

Regular Meeting

I. ROLL CALL – Mayor Jack Thomas called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. at the Marsac Municipal Building on Thursday, April 16, 2015. Members in attendance were Jack Thomas, Andy Beerman, Dick Peek, Liza Simpson, Tim Henney and Cindy Matsumoto. Staff members present were Diane Foster, City Manager; Matt Dias, Assistant City Manager; Mark Harrington, City Attorney; Marci Heil, City Recorder; Karen Anderson, Deputy City Recorder; Ann Ober, Community Relations Manager; Jonathan Weidenhamer, Economic Development Manager; Heinrich Dieters, Sustainability; Hannah Turpin, Planning.

II. COMMUNICATIONS AND DISCLOSURES FROM COUNCIL AND STAFF

Council member Matsumoto attended Planning Commission last week and reports a member's quarter is up and that she would be happy to take over their spot.

III. PUBLIC INPUT *(Any matter of City business not scheduled on the agenda)*

Dana Williams, former Park City mayor, congratulates Council member Peek on getting married. Williams spoke to the Mountain Accord public forum held at the Eccles Center and walked away very frustrated and shocked at the facilitator's treatment of the public as he thought people were fairly civil. He states the facilitator shut down talk about tunnels and didn't allow much public input. He is concerned about a tunnel in regards to fractured rock from boring and also who would be responsible for the water in the tunnel. He urges elected officials to say no to a tunnel.

Neal Krasnick, resident, says our City makes its living on outdoor activities and that the City should focus more on providing a world-class experience for tourists in the off season.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 5 & 19, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council member Peek and Henney provided corrections for the City Recorder.

Council member Henney moved to approve the minutes from March 5 & 19, 2015 City Council meetings

Council member Simpson seconded
Approved unanimously with corrections

V. CONSENT ***(Items that have previously been discussed or are perceived as routine and may be approved by one motion. Listed items do not imply a predisposition for approval and may be removed by motion and discussed and acted upon)***

1. Consideration of a contract for Deer Valley Drive Phase 2

2. Consideration of a Professional Services Contract for Consulting Services - Transportation and Parking Siting and Feasibility Plan

3. Consideration of the USSA/MARC agreement

Council member Peek moved to approve the consent agenda
Council member Simpson seconded
Approved unanimously

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

Sales Tax Revenue Bond Series 2015 public hearing to receive input with respect to (a) the issuance of sales tax revenue bonds and (b) any potential economic impact that the project to be financed with the proceeds of such bonds may have on the private sector.

Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing. No comments were heard. Mayor Thomas closed the public hearing.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Award Presentation by Kim Olsen, Executive Director of Utah Recreation & Parks Association (URPA)

   Kim Olsen, Dan Harrison and Kristin Reichert from URPA state they are a membership association with over 1000 members here in the state. They presented two awards to Park City Parks and Recreation, one for Outstanding Innovation for the memorial wall in the cemetery, and one to the department as a whole for the most outstanding in their class. Harrison states Tate Shaw was elected as a new member and Karen Yocum was re-elected to serve on the URPA board.

   Council member Simpson recognizes and thanks staff for all of their efforts, as did Mayor Thomas.

2. Consideration of an Economic Development Grant awarded to Ritual Chocolate in the amount of $20,000

Jonathon Weidenhamer, Economic Development Manager, along with Ritual Chocolate owners Robbie Stout and Anna Davies, welcomes them to Park City. Stout and Davies report they started their business in Denver but are glad to be back in Park City and believe the city provides a great opportunity for them to grow their business.

Mayor Thomas acknowledged a letter he received in opposition to the business. Council member Simpson reports she is supportive of this business venture and asks Weidenhamer to clarify grant eligibility for businesses. Weidenhamer states qualifications are more flexible since they amended the grand criteria this past July to accommodate Council's goals. Council member Matsumoto is in favor of the grant as this new business fits the criteria and adds another element to our resort economy. Council member Beerman is in support as well and thanks owners for coming back to Park City.

Council member Simpson moved to approve the Economic Development Grant awarded to Ritual Chocolate in the amount of $20,000
Council member Beerman seconded
Approved Unanimously

3. Consideration of the Electric Assist Bicycle Pilot project and Ordinance Amendment.

Heinrich Dieters, Sustainability, asks Council to adopt a one-year pilot project for electric assist bicycles, which meets Council's priority of alternative transportation. Dieters states the program will temporarily allow bikes on multi-use pathways but not on natural surface trails. Program implementation involves education and outreach to the public. Infrastructure involving signage will be the major component of the project. Dieters reports Staff will also be collecting data about the bikes to be used for future studies and projects.

Council members Beerman, Henney and Thomas are not in favor of a speed limit sign. Council member Peek is in favor of signage but not a designated speed limit sign. Council member Simpson is in favor of leaving a speed number on the signs. Foster states the speed limit signs will help citizens self-regulate.

Dieters reports local groups are in favor of the program. He suggests staff collect speed data, which he will report on at a future time. Foster suggests using speed limit signs in certain areas on the trails only as part of the pilot program. Council member Beerman asks Dieters and Mountain Trails to work on coming up with something better than the speed limit signs.

Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing.

David Rasmussen, owner of eSpokes, the largest E bikes dealer in the Intermountain area, commends Dieters for his work on E bikes and mentions Utah is one of the few states to adopt E bikes policies. Clarifies that Utah code exempts E bikes from being motor vehicles and that the language in this ordinance mirrors the state code. Mentions he is working with a state legislator to amend the language in House Bill 299 to separate E bikes from mopeds and asks Council to consider taking out any moped language in their ordinance. States they are working with Utah state parks to allow E bikes in those parks. Defines who E bicycle riders are and explains it's not serious cyclists but older, everyday citizens who are careful riders. He suggests Council allow E bicyclists to get out and ride first before implementing restrictions.

Charlie Sturgis, Mountain Trails, states Mountain Trails is in favor of the pilot program. Regarding signage he, Dieters and Bob came up with is a rough draft and says they could refine their ideas and recommends speed signs be put in places where speed is already a problem. Personally he is concerned about speed and feels the signs are necessary. States he does not support any single-track riding of E bikes.

Neal Krasnick, resident, tells Council he feels the most important topic in this discussion should not be whether an E bike is a motorized vehicle but rather restricting speed for safety. Says mixing E bikes where there are pedestrians is too dangerous.

Cheryl Fox, Summit Land Conservancy, states the McPolin and Quarry Mountain easements do not permit motorized use. She states they support E bikes and getting people out of their cars but feels conflicted since the easement restricts their use as things stand now. Council member Beerman asks if the Conservancy would be able to support the pilot program until restrictions become more defined. Fox states they have to live within the lines of the easement.

Mayor Thomas asks Harrington for guidance. Harrington recommends not categorizing the use of E bikes as a violation until we have further clarification on exactly where they fall under the law and to instead agree upon a category/definition during the testing period. Council member Simpson asks if this topic has gone before the County and feels there needs to be further discussion about what surfaces the bikes will be allowed on as well as speed. She would like to be in agreement with the County. Council member Beerman feels there are benefits to putting the pilot program in place since people are already using E bikes. Feels educating the public on multi-use and respect for others on trails is a bigger issue than speed. Council member Henney agrees with Beerman in feeling comfortable stepping ahead of the County.

Council member Simpson moved to approve the Electric Assist Bicycle Pilot project and Ordinance Amendment as amended
Beerman seconded
Approved Unanimously

4. Consideration of approval for the annual City Property Disposition list resolution

Heinrich Dieters, Sustainability, asks Council to approve the 2015 City Disposition List, which intends to provide transparency and possible intent of the city's use of available parcels for potential municipal purposes or disposition.

Council member Matsumoto states she would like to see city facilities listed on the North 40. Council concurred.

Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing. No comments were heard. Mayor Thomas closed the public hearing.

Council member Beerman moved to approve the 2015 City Property Disposition list resolution as amended

Council member Henney moved to open the closed session. Council member Beerman seconded. Motion carried

The meeting for which these minutes were prepared was noticed by posting at least 24 hours in advance and by delivery to the news media two days prior to the meeting.
Prepared by Karen Anderson, Deputy City Recorder.