

MINUTES OF A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 15, 2009 AT THE CIVIC CENTER, 83 WEST MAIN, HYRUM, UTAH.

CONVENED: 6:30 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor W. Dean Howard

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Martin L. Felix, Paul C. James, Thomas C. LaBau, Stephanie Miller, and Craig Rasmussen. Councilmember Rasmussen arrived at 6:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: There being four members present and four members representing a quorum, Mayor Howard called the meeting to order.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Administrator D. Brent Jensen, and eleven citizens. City Recorder Stephanie Fricke recorded the minutes.

WELCOME: Mayor Howard welcomed everyone in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Boy Scout J.J. Callahan led the governing body and the citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Councilmember Miller

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of October 1, 2009 were approved as written.

ACTION Councilmember LaBau made a motion to approve the minutes of October 1, 2009 as written. Councilmember Felix seconded the motion and Councilmembers Felix, James, and LaBau voted aye and Councilmember Miller abstained. The motion passed.

AGENDA ADOPTION: A copy of the notice and agenda for this meeting was faxed to The Herald Journal, posted on the State of Utah Public Notice website, mailed to each member of the governing body, and posted at the Civic Center more than forty-eight hours before meeting time.

ACTION Councilmember James made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Councilmember Felix seconded the motion and all four councilmembers present voted aye.

AGENDA

8. SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:

- A. Blake Christensen, Hyrum City Safety Officer - To request funding for Citizen Emergency Response Team training.

9. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION:
 - A. Resolution 09-13 - A resolution authorizing reconveyance of construction and maintenance easement.
10. OTHER BUSINESS:
 - A. Budget Report.
 - B. Mayor and City Council reports.
11. ADJOURNMENT

SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:

BLAKE CHRISTENSEN, HYRUM CITY SAFETY OFFICER - TO REQUEST FUNDING FOR CITIZEN EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING.

Hyrum City Safety Officer Blake Christensen said Hyrum City does not have a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). CERTs are formed by citizens who want to be better prepared from the hazards that threaten their community. Initially, CERT programs were developed to assist communities in taking care of themselves in the aftermath of a major disaster when first responders are over whelmed or unable to respond because of communication or transportation difficulties. As the CERT concept has taken hold across the country, however, CERTs have become much more than originally envisioned. CERTs have proven themselves to be an active and vital part of their communities' preparedness and response capability. For example, CERTs in other cities have been used to: 1. Distribute and/or install smoke alarms and batteries to the elderly and disabled; 2. Assist with evacuations and traffic control; 3. Promote community awareness of potential hazards and preparedness measures; 4. Supplement staffing at special events, such as parades; and 5. Act as victims in training exercises. CERTs are an investment of local government's time and resources. To capitalize on this investment, program sponsors can view CERT members as a volunteer resource that can assist with public safety activities. Such an approach will actively involve members in serving their communities beyond disaster response and add value to the CERT program.

Citizens who go through CERT training have a better understanding of the potential threats to their home, workplace and community and can take the right steps to lessen the effects of these hazards on themselves, their homes or workplace. If a disaster happens that overwhelms local response capability, CERT members can apply the training learned in the classroom and during exercises to give critical support to their family, loved ones, neighbors or associates in their immediate area until help arrives. When help does arrive, CERTs provide useful information to responders and support their efforts, as directed, at the disaster site. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that

improve the safety of the community.

Mayor Howard asked Blake Christensen to review the costs of setting up a CERT program.

Blake Christensen said set-up fees for the program would consist of \$590 for fire pans, containers, cribbing, and hand tools; and then \$57.20 per person. The \$57.20 per person fee pays for a CERT Manual, CERT PPE Kit, and miscellaneous supplies. He wants to hold 3 training sessions with at least 30 citizens in each session.

ACTION Councilmember James made a motion to pursue the CERT program and have the Safety Committee oversee it. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion.

Councilmember LaBau asked if the Public Safety Committee should oversee the CERT program or if the Fire Department and EMS Department should oversee it.

Councilmember James said he doesn't care if the Public Safety Committee oversees the program; he just wants to be able to have the CERT citizens involved with the Public Safety Committee.

ACTION Councilmember James withdrew his motion.

Councilmember Rasmussen arrived at 6:50 p.m.

ACTION Councilmember James made a motion to approve funding for the CERT program. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion. Councilmembers Felix, James, LaBau, and Miller voted aye. Councilmember Rasmussen abstained since he was not in attendance during the discussion. The motion passed.

INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION 09-13 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECONVEYANCE OF CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT.

Mayor Howard said in the course of constructing the city-wide pressurized irrigation project, Hyrum City sought and obtained several easements to allow installation and maintenance of underground pipe on private property. Hyrum City obtained an easement from Ivan and Arlene Stauffer but didn't use the easement. Hyrum City has no further need for this easement and Ivan Stauffer has requested the City reconvey the easement back to him.

ACTION Councilmember James made a motion to approve

Resolution 09-13 authorizing reconveyance of construction and maintenance easement. Councilmember Felix seconded the motion and all five councilmembers voted aye.

OTHER BUSINESS:

BUDGET REPORT.

City Administrator D. Brent Jensen reviewed the 2009-2010 Operating Budgets and Utility Funds expenditures and revenues. Sales tax revenue is lower than projected. Building expenditures are at 94% of budget due to the heating and air conditioning control units in the City Offices needing to be replaced. Road expenditures are at 54%, which is typical for this time of the year. Most of the departments are at 25% of budget, which is where they should be.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember James said he attended a Hyrum Irrigation meeting with Councilmember Rasmussen. Hyrum Irrigation Company is considering installing four weirs that will measure the irrigation water, which should help Hyrum City get the amount of water it is entitled to.

Councilmember Rasmussen said since Hyrum City is the major benefactor of the installation of the weirs, Hyrum Irrigation Company wants Hyrum City to pay 50% of the cost. The irrigation company is estimating the cost of the weirs to be \$4,400 and Hyrum City's share would be \$2,200. The weirs will be placed at four major turnout locations; however, the O'Berry Canal is not one of those four locations. There was a proposal to install two digital flow meters on the O'Berry Canal. The irrigation company did not make a decision on the installation of the digital flow meters.

Councilmember Miller said the Youth Council advisors are accepting applications to serve on the Youth Council and will be conducting interviews after October 31, 2009. Hyrum City's Sesquicentennial Committee is holding regular meetings and is working on finalizing activities for Hyrum's Sesquicentennial Celebration.

Mayor Howard said the power outage on October 7 was due to a burnt jumper on Rocky Mountain Powers' transmission line. Last week Cache County Deputy Sheriffs wrote several parking tickets in Hyrum. Some of the recipients of the parking tickets are upset and asked why the City didn't notify them before tickets were issued. The City did notify the residents in the September/October Hyrum City Newsletter that the

parking ordinance was going to be enforced.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION **There being no further business before the City Council, the Council Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.**

W. Dean Howard
Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Fricke
City Recorder

Approved: November 5, 2009
 As Written