

MINUTES

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012 – 6:30 P.M.

CASTLE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

2 CASTLE VALLEY DRIVE

Town Council Members Present: Mayor Erley, Council Members Hill and Duncan

Town Council Members Absent: Council Members Williams and Drogin

Others Present: Ron Drake, Alison Fuller, Leta Vaughn, Mary Beth Fitzburgh, Greg Halliday

Recorder: Jil Kulander

1. Call to Order

Mayor Erley called this regular Town Council Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. Open Public Comment

Those in attendance were introduced to the new Town Clerk Alison Fuller by Mayor Erley.

Ron Drake informed the group that the Community Emergency Response team (CERT) will hold a training series with its first class beginning at 6pm this Thursday. Mayor Erley Castle Valley Fire Chief Drake for making this possible.

3. Approval of Minutes

* Regular Town Council Meeting May 16, 2012

* Special Town Council Meeting June 7, 2012

As Council Member Duncan was not yet sworn in during the past two meetings and as Council Member Williams and Drogin are absent, Approval of Minutes will be delayed until the July 15th, 2012 meeting.

4. Executive Reports

* Road Committee

The Road Committee Report was presented by Road Committee Manager Halliday. An invoice from Country Rhoads 4X4 was received today will be approved this evening to accommodate the vendor who is headed out of town, but will be post dated for July 1st, 2012.

Due to extreme dry conditions Road Committee Manager Halliday asks that residents notify him if there is any trouble with their roads.

* PLUC

There was discussion about the Survey questions for the Master Plan.

5. Correspondence

Council Member Hill read a letter from former resident Melody Pace along with a gift of ornamental garden stones for the community lot.

Mayor Erley read the following letters to the Town Council.

Michael Dege's letter (Lot 383) addressed to both the BLM and the Town Council inquired about assistance with the restoration vegetation of both his property and the BLM land that was scorched during the rife on May 26th.

In an email, Kara Dohrenwend (of Rim to Rim Restoration, a non-profit organization specializing in restoration and revegetation) stated that she can help navigate the restoration process with the BLM and that she will be attending a meeting with the BLM and will look into what the BLM intends to do here. The BLM often has some funds expressly put aside for fire rehab that are available after wildfires.

Town Clerk Kulander mentioned that she has a request in to BLM's Moab Field Office Manager, Jeffrey Smith requesting similar information on restoration options. The Kulander family and Terry Doherty are also interested in a plan for revegetation on their scorched lots (402 and 401, respectively).

Jim Martin's (Lot 53) letter informed the Town Council that he has requested a reconsideration to award Water Rights to application #05-3506. His letter cited the issues he has with his neighbor's Water Rights application and notified the Town he has issued a No Trespass demand to Mr. Hollings and to HF Holding. His letter was also sent to HF Holding and the Holling family and to Kent Jones, Utah State Engineer at the Department of Natural Resources.

A letter to the family of Gerald Kinghorn expressing our sadness and our appreciation for Attorney Gerry Kinghorn's years of friendship and service to the Town of Castle Valley were read. Mr. Kinghorn passed away May 31, 2012. A \$100 donation to the YWCA's Women in Jeopardy program was made in his honor.

New Business

6. Discussion and Possible Action re: Castle Valley Scholarship Award for High School Seniors who are continuing their education.

Mayor Erley read applicant Morgan Taylor's letter to the Council. She is intending to go into pre-med as SUU in September 2012.

In addition to a well written letter, Ms. Taylor provided her Acceptance Letter and Proof of Fall Registration at SUU.

Council Member Hill motioned to award the full amount of the 2012 Castle Valley Scholarship to Grand County High School Senior, Morgan Taylor, which is provided by an anonymous donation. Council Member Duncan seconded the Motion.

Mayor Erley and Council Member Hill expressed appreciation for the impressive application. Council Member Hill explained that the money is sent directly to the school, in this case to SUU.

The Motion passed unanimously.

The Town Clerk will call Ms. Taylor to notify her of the award and to thank her on behalf of the Council for her fine application.

7. Discussion and Possible Action re: Adoption of Fire Safety Regulations

- Castle Valley Fire Chief Ron Drake presented the state's new fire restrictions.

Mayor Erley read it.

These new Utah State Fire Restrictions and the Town of Castle Valley's Fire Ordinance 2007-6 have been posted on all of the community bulletin boards and the Town's website.

Residents are to call the Castle Valley Fire District and/or the Grand County Sheriff's Office during burn windows to be informed of fire conditions in the valley and whether or not a total fire ban is in effect due to conditions.

Mayor Erley asked Fire Chief Drake to inform the Council if the Castle Valley Ordinance 2007-6 needs any modifications.

PLUC Chair Fitzburgh suggested an additional sign at the entrance to the valley where the fire conditions are posted that could advise residents when there is a strict No Burn policy in effect.

Mayor Erley conferred with Fire Chief Drake on the matter. Drake expressed that the Fire Department would be fine with this.

Mayor Erley read the bulk of the Ordinance 2007-6, which prohibits open fires, fireworks and other fire hazards during periods of high fire danger in the Town of Castle Valley.

Council Member Hill questioned the enforceability of some of the liability issues in the ordinance. This will be looked into by the Mayor.

Old Business

8. Discussion and Possible Action re: The 4-Season Emergency Access Route.

Mayor Erley read Warren Scott's (Lot 195) email sent to the Town and to Fire Department member Ron Mengel regarding the roads for the Fire Department's easement with Janet Willoughby (Lot 194) and a possible easement with Stephen Mitchell's lot (Lot 193).

Mayor Erley addressed his concerns in the meeting stating that in previous discussions with Mr. Mitchell, the latter was not interested in improvements to make the current access road an all weather access surface road.

The Easement, Interagency Local Agreement, and the proposed Resolution 2012-2 were read by Mayor Erley.

He clarified that this road is for emergency access and fire department access only. This will not be a public access road.

Council Member Hill motioned to approve the Emergency Access Easement as written, Council Member Duncan seconded.

Mayor Erley stated that this easement approval needed to be contingent upon final approval of the Castle Valley Fire District.

Council Member Hill motioned to approve the Emergency Access Easement as presented, contingent upon approval by the Castle Valley Fire District. Council Member Duncan seconded. The Motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hill motioned to approve Resolution 2012-2 as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE GRAND COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE AREA FOR CASTLE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD LOCATED ON PROPERTY OWNED BY JANET WILLOUGHBY, AS TRUSTEE OF THE RICHARD R. WILLOUGHBY AND JANET A. L. WILLOUGHBY TRUST.

Council Member Duncan seconded. The Motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion and Possible Action re: A Resolution Abolishing Corporate Personhood And Money As Free Speech. [Tabled]

10. Discussion and Possible Action re: Consideration for Amendment of Ordinance 2009-2 regarding Castle Valley’s Driveway Culvert Policy. [Tabled]

11. Payment of Bills

Treasurer Hill added an invoice from Country Rhoads for the repair of the Town Water truck to the invoices being approved for payment to after the request was made by the company due to holiday schedules.

Council Member Duncan moved to pay the bills as presented, Council Member Hill seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Closed Meeting - None

Council Member Hill moved to adjourn, Council Member Duncan seconded. The Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Erley adjourned this Regular Town Council Meeting at 7:43p.m.

Adjournment: 7:43 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
David Erley, Mayor

ATTESTED: _____
Alison Fuller, Town Clerk