

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL,  
TOWN OF CASTLE VALLEY  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2010 – 6:30 P.M.  
CASTLE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER  
2 CASTLE VALLEY DRIVE

**Town Council Members Present:** Dave Erley, Aaron Davies, Valli Smouse, Tory Hill. **Absent:** Brooke Williams.

**Others Present:** Rob Soldat, Mary Beth Fitzburgh, Greg Halliday, Joan Sangree, Faylene Roth, Mike Giles (General Manager - Utah, Frontier Communications), Jim Garner (General Manager - Moab, Frontier Communications), Ron Drake, Laura Cameron, Jennifer Mengel, Brenda Short.

1. Call to Order: 6:32 P.M.

2. Open Public Comment.

None.

3. Approval of Minutes: July 21, 2010 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Valli motioned to approve as presented. Tory seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports:

- Roads (Greg Halliday and the Roads Committee)

Greg prepared a written report that was included in the Red Books. No questions were forthcoming.

Greg and Joan mentioned that they have a lead on a good 1996 diesel dump truck, and consider this to be the next crucial piece of equipment they will need. This truck had been previously owned by Danny Prickett, and both Danny and Mark Simmons have indicated that they are able to do repairs on it if needed. Joan believes the price to be somewhere between \$10,000 to \$12,000. Dave asked Joan to talk with the contractor and determine a realistic price for the truck. He also asked her to get a realistic price on what we could sell our present dump truck for.

The Roads Committee will follow up on price, as well as getting two additional comps on-line.

- PLUC (Mary Beth Fitzburgh)

Mary Beth had supplied a report for the Red Books. There were no questions on that, but she also mentioned that she had sent the latest amendments on Ordinance 85-3 to Denise. Denise will send these changes out to the Town Council tomorrow.

Mary Beth said that she hopes the PLUC will be ready to present the Town Council with the revised Ordinance 85-3 in its entirety by October.

- Clerk (Denise Lucas)

- Notary Public Commission.

Denise said that she had just sent the information back to the Lieutenant Governor's office and is hoping to have her commission within a few weeks.

- UMCA Training.

Denise supplied an insert for the Red Books encapsulating the high points of the Utah Municipal Clerks' Association training seminar. Aaron asked which was her favorite session. Denise replied that there were two: 1) the four types of communication; and 2) Minutes (which also contained a lot of changes in grammatical rules).

#### New Business:

5. Presentation re: Photo Voltaic (PV) Grid-tie Systems (Robert Soldat).

Rob Soldat gave a presentation on Photo Voltaic Grid-tie Systems. During his presentation, he mentioned different types of mounts available and gave Denise photos to scan and send out to the Town Council. He also said that net metering is a relatively new phenomenon, and simply means building surplus credit on your electric bill during the summer, when there is more sun, to apply to your electric bill during the winter when the days are shorter. Under the guidelines for net metering, you cannot sell more power back to the grid than you use.

Jennifer Mengel inquired how long it currently takes to recoup your investment on solar. Rob replied that there is no reasonable return on investment right now, and that the return on investment would be about twenty to twenty-five years.

Rob also mentioned that an inverter is necessary on a solar system because it shuts down the power as soon as the grid shuts down to avoid making power during a power outage which can injure linesmen.

At this point, Valli motioned to suspend the order of business and go to Item 12. so that the two gentlemen from Frontier would not have to wait through the entire meeting. Tory seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion and Possible Action re: Castle Valley Internet Service Including a Presentation by Mike Giles of Frontier on the Transition to New Internet System.

Mike Giles, General Manager – Utah, for Frontier Communications gave a brief presentation. Frontier anticipates doing an upgrade that will supply Castle Valley with service comparable to Moab. They will be putting in enough new equipment to service current and new Castle Valley residents for a long time. He said that the tentative date for doing this is Wednesday, September 15, 2010. On this date, for the time period it takes to make the service cutover, telephones in Castle Valley will be limited to calls only within Castle Valley and the internet will not be available. Mike anticipates it taking six to eight hours to complete the cutover. This must take place during daylight hours for safety reasons.

To this end, he has met with the Sheriff's Department and other emergency services to anticipate what issues might come about during the time full service is suspended. Corky Brewer suggested making this a training session for the Code Red 911 calls, and plans to set up a command post at the Town Hall staffed by the Sheriff's Department, Fire Department and other emergency response personnel.

Residents will be informed of the suspension in service by individual telephone calls prior to the date, as well as by announcements on the KCYN radio station and in Ron Drake's newspaper column.

**Resumption in Order of Business:**

6. Discussion and Possible Action re: Opening Bids on the RFP for Alternate Energy Grant for the Town Building.

The Town Council opened the sealed bids submitted for the alternative energy grant for the Town building. Dave suggested appointing a committee to review the bids, and would also like to check with the State people on the bids.

Aaron suggested that the UGS people could offer some insight as to what the Town Council should be looking for in the bids. Dave will check with UGS tomorrow and have a follow-up conversation with them on Monday.

7. Discussion and Possible Action re: Awarding the Castle Valley Scholarship for 2010.

Jim Jorgen had been the 2009 Castle Valley Scholarship recipient, but had to leave school early due to some health issues. Jim's college refunded the unused portion of his Scholarship back to the Town last year (i.e., \$384.00).

Tory motioned to apply the \$384.00 refund towards James's college curriculum for this year. Aaron seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

There were two applicants for the 2010 Castle Valley Scholarship: Daniele Short and Sydne Smythe. Tory motioned to split the \$2,000.00 Scholarship evenly between the two applicants. Valli seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion and Possible Action re: Organizing a 10/10/10 Event Such as a Tree Planting or a Community Trash Clean-up.

Valli motioned to table the item. Tory seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion and Possible Action re: Road Shed.

Dave and Joan plan to attend a CIB meeting next week.

Dave suggested that Leta Vaughn do a site plan. He also suggested getting bids on earth work ahead of time, as long as we are honest about the state of the work with the contractors.

Aaron expressed concerns that, if we begin work, we may not get the CIB grant for the completed portion of the work.

Dave suggested that the Roads Committee find out what it would cost to move both the propane and the diesel tanks, as it would be nice to have this taken care of before the earth work begins.

Joan inquired if CIB would allow us to build a pre-manufactured building.

#### **Old Business:**

10. Discussion and Possible Action re: Email Procedure (tabled).

Aaron motioned to untable. Tory seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron and Tory all approved the Motion. Valli opposed. The Motion passed with three in favor, one opposed.

Dave and Denise will check with Mike Baird about getting new email addresses for all Town employees, board members and email groups.

Tory suggested the first name and first initial of the last name @castlevalleyutah.com. Aaron supported this idea.

Dave and Denise will set up the emails and let everyone know when this is done.

11. Discussion and Possible Action re: Resolution on Roads Committee Recommendations of Areas for “No Winter Maintenance” (tabled).

Left tabled.

12. See Above Under Item 5.

13. Discussion and Possible Action re: Enforcement Procedures for Violations of the Town of Castle Valley Ordinances (tabled).

Aaron motioned to untable. Valli seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken.

14. Payment of Bills.

Valli motioned to pay as presented. Aaron seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

15. Closed Meeting (if needed).

None required.

Aaron motioned to adjourn the meeting. Tory seconded the Motion. Dave, Aaron, Valli and Tory all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: 8:39 P.M.

**APPROVED:**

**ATTESTED:**

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**David D. Erley, Mayor**

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**Denise Lucas, Town Clerk**