

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL,  
TOWN OF CASTLE VALLEY  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2011  
CASTLE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER  
2 CASTLE VALLEY DRIVE

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

**Others Present:** Joan Sangree, Greg Halliday, Ron Drake, Leta Vaughn, Mary Beth Fitzburgh, Jake Burnett.

1. Call to Order: 6:31 P.M.
2. Open Public Comment.

Dave said that we received our “Right to Work” document for the solar project. He talked to Kevin Hansen earlier today and the panels have been ordered. Kevin thinks that Step 1 should consist of determining the exact location for the towers so that we can begin digging as soon as the weather allows. Also, Dave spoke with Karen Nelson about a few places where 4 inch pipe was supposedly put beneath the walkways and is not practical. She has agreed to help with this.

Tory and Dave both received a Utah Cities Transparency Score from the Sutherland Institute. These transparency scores rate municipal websites. Castle Valley received the highest score in Southeast Utah (a B minus).

3. Approval of Minutes:

❖ November 29, 2011 Town Council Workshop.

Tory motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. Valli seconded the Motion. Dave, Valli and Tory approved the Motion. Brooke abstained. Aaron voted nay.

The Motion passed with three in favor, one abstained and one opposed.

❖ December 6, 2010 Town Council Workshop.

Brooke motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. Tory seconded the Motion. Aaron opposed.

Dave, Tory, Valli and Brooke approved the Motion. Aaron opposed.

The Motion passed with four in favor, one opposed.

❖ December 15, 2010 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Tory motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. Brooke seconded the Motion. Dave, Tory, Valli, Brooke and Aaron all approved the Motion.

The Motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports:

❖ Roads (Greg Halliday and Joan Sangree)

Greg prepared a report for the Red Books and answered questions. He said that he arranged for a mechanic to come from Honnen Equipment in Grand Junction to do repairs to the grader. He believes the bill will come to approximately \$1,300.

❖ PLUC (Mary Beth Fitzburgh)

This month's PLUC meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum. Thus, she has nothing to report this month.

She asked everyone at the meeting to encourage everyone they might know to apply for one of the vacant PLUC positions.

**New Business:**

Tory motioned to suspend the order of business until Jake Burnett arrived to give his presentation. Aaron seconded the Motion. Dave, Tory, Brooke, Aaron and Valli all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and Possible Action re: Utah Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) Helicopter Over-flights in Castle Valley for Wildlife Management Purposes.

Dave said that he has received a number of complaints about low-flying helicopters. At least part of these flights were from the DWR to monitor the number of the deer herds so they can get an accurate estimate of the "after hunt" deer remaining. He said he doesn't feel it is the Town's business to get involved. Also, several helicopters that were low flying over the Valley were unaware of our ordinance. The suggestion was made that we send a letter to DWR along with a copy of our ordinance. After some discussion, it was determined that Dave will pursue this.

**Resume Order of Business.**

5. Discussion and Possible Action re: Becoming a Sister City with Quino Bay, Mexico (Presentation by Jake Burnett).

Jake spoke of a recent trip he took to Quino Bay, Mexico. He said that the people were very friendly and that there was no crime to speak of, but quite a bit of poverty. He had some interest in Castle Valley becoming a sister city to Quino Bay. Brooke asked what a "sister city" would look like. Jake replied that offhand he did not have that information, but would get in touch with others who had allied themselves with sister cities in similar circumstances.

Dave said that there might even be some interest from some of the river companies to donate their old life jackets, etc. as the Mexican fishermen cannot afford these and their occupation can be very dangerous.

Valli thought that the Town might sponsor something like this, but it would be up to the individuals to actually do the giving.

Jake will follow up and come back to the Town Council with more information.

7. Discussion and Possible Action re: Sending a Letter to Grand County Asking that the "Castleton" Proposed Trail be Removed from the Non-motorized Trails Master Plan.

Dave provided a draft of the letter and a copy of the map showing the affected areas. The BLM has indicated that they plan to manage Castle Valley for watershed and wildlife. Additionally, the proposed trail would go through an area which is a known archeological zone. Thus, the BLM has this area slated for the No Surface Occupancy category which precludes development of this sort. The BLM has indicated to the Town that they would never approve this proposed trail and they do not have a problem with the Town's request to have it removed from the Non-Motorized Travel Plan.

8. Discussion and Possible Action re: Revisions to Ordinance 85-3.

Aaron asked if we want to have a public hearing on this before our next meeting. Tory motioned that we have a public hearing on this immediately preceding our next Regular Town Council meeting in February. Brooke seconded the motion. Dave, Brooke, Tory, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously to have the public hearing on February 16, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. immediately followed by our next Regular Town Council meeting.

9. Discussion and Possible Action: Change to Code Title for GRAMA Ordinance (Ordinance 2007-1).

The Town Council voted to keep the Ordinance as 2007-1. Brooke motioned to accept the new 2007-1 with the changes. Valli seconded the Motion. Dave, Tory, Brooke, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

- 10. Discussion and Possible Action re: Partnering Agreement with the Southeast Utah Tamarisk Partnership (SEUTP) (tabled).

Left tabled.

- 11. Payment of Bills.

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

- 12. Closed Meeting (if needed).

None needed.

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

Adjournment: 7:48 P.M.

**APPROVED:**

**ATTESTED:**

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**David D. Erley, Mayor**

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**Denise Lucas, Town Clerk**

