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# CACHE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
## May 08, 2012

The Cache County Council convened in a regular session on May 08, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cache County Council Chamber at 199 North Main, Logan, Utah.

**ATTENDANCE:**

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| **Chairman:** | Craig "W" Buttars |
| **Vice Chairman:** | Val Potter |
| **Council Members:** | Kathy Robison, Jon White, Cory Yeates & Gordon Zilles. **H. Craig Petersen absent** |
| **County Executive:** | M. Lynn Lemon |
| **County Clerk:** | Jill N. Zollinger |
| **County Attorney:** | James Swink |

**The following individuals were also in attendance:** Janeen Allen, Dan Christensen, Denise Ciebien, Barry Franklin, Chris Harrild, Sam Hicken, Sharon L. Hoth, Pam Kramer, Bryan Lundahl, Dave Nielsen, Don Summit, Gar Walton, **Media:** Charles Geraci (Herald Journal).

## OPENING REMARKS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member White gave the opening remarks and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to approve the agenda as written. Zilles seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

## REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2012 Council Meeting as written. Robison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

## REPORT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE: M. LYNN LEMON

**APPOINTMENTS:** There were no appointments.

**WARRANTS:** There were no warrants.

## OTHER ITEMS

- **Cache County Council of Governments (CCCOG) Applications** – Executive Lemon announced that applications for road tax projects are due by May 29, 2012. Lemon recommends applying for funding to widen 1700 South street. That would be a combined project among Millville, Providence, Logan and Cache County. The Council concurred. CCCOG has said that 200 East street is their top priority.

- **Dynamics GP** – Executive Lemon reported there are major problems with this new financial software package. Solutions will take some time and Lemon will keep the Council informed.

  Council member Robison asked if there is any help forthcoming from the vendor? Lemon replied there is for a price.

  Chairman Buttars asked if any training was provided at the outset? Lemon said the county did training which was resisted by some.

  Council member Yeates remarked that he has heard of businesses that will only take cash from the county because payment has been so slow. Executive Lemon asked Yeates to let him know who those businesses are so he can take care of any problems.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS, APPEALS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MATTERS

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to convene as a Board of Equalization. Robison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

**THE COUNCIL CONVENED AS A BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

- **Approve Recommendations of Hearing Officers** *(Details are on file in the office of the Cache County Auditor)* – Executive Lemon explained these are two mobile homes that were revalued.

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to approve the recommendations of the Hearing Officers. White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to adjourn from the Board of Equalization. Zilles seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

**THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED FROM THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

**PUBLIC HEARING SET:** MAY 22, 2012 – 6:00 P.M. – OPEN 2012 BUDGET

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Zilles to set a Public Hearing May 22, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. – Open 2012 Budget. Potter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

## ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- **Hardware Ranch Comprehensive Management Plan – Dan Christensen** reviewed the management plan via a power point presentation including: DWR stewardship team, technical advisory committee, background/history of Hardware Ranch, needs identification, public involvement and plan adoption process, mission statement, and goals, objectives and strategies for wildlife and habitat, camping/access facilities and outreach.

Council member Zilles asked if there are opportunities for Eagle Scout projects at Hardware Ranch? Christensen replied there is and several have been done in the past.

Attorney Swink asked if there is water available? Christensen said drinking water is not available, but they are hoping to sink a well within two years.

Attorney Swink had several questions about proposed fences adjacent to the Coldwater Ranch property. Christensen said he will check into that issue and let Swink know.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS, APPEALS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MATTERS

**PUBLIC HEARING:** MAY 08, 2012-5:30 P.M.-SWIFT BEEF COMPANY UPGRADE POND 3 REZONE – Don Summit requesting approval for rezone of 70.17 acres in Agricultural (A-10) Zone to include the Public Infrastructure (PI) Overlay Zone located approximately 4195 South 1200 West, north of Hyrum- Chris Harrild reported residents in the area have no problems with the proposed rezone and the findings of fact are that the rezone is compatible with the area.

Chairman Buttars opened the Public Hearing and invited pubic comment. There was none.

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to close the Public Hearing. Zilles seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

## INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION

- **Tax Deferral Requests** – The Council addressed four requests. *(Details are on file in the office of the Cache County Auditor)*

**ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to approve the tax deferral requests. Robison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 6-0. Petersen absent.**

- **Notice of Tax Sale** – Executive Lemon noted that the county has generally been able to avoid tax sales on homes people are living in; however, this year there are a number of properties on the tax notice list with inhabitants. Lemon has or will personally visit each home to be certain the residents have received the notice of tax sale.

- **Discussion – Vehicle Inspection Program/SIP Process** – Executive Lemon commented that this is on the agenda for the Council's information. Lemon also included copies of the state code and control strategies. The county is required to implement a vehicle inspection program by December 2013 which must include two-speed idle (TSI) and on-board diagnostics II (OBI II). New vehicles will be exempt for the first four years followed by biennial testing. Based on the model Cache County would achieve the clean air standard without a vehicle emissions inspection program by 2019; however, the State Department of Air Quality (DAQ) said the EPA will not accept the state SIP without a vehicle emissions inspection program.

Discussion by the Council included the conclusion that fees would be set at a level to fund the program and not produce any additional revenue, the county should start with fairly lenient requirements and fees, and a possible phased-in program.

Executive Lemon will invite the DAQ to attend the May 22, 2012 Council meeting to answer additional questions from the Council.

- **Discussion – Request from Beaver Creek Lodge on Grooming Snowmobile Trails** – Chairman Buttars talked with Representative Draxler who contacted the Parks Director and was told the plan is to have two snow grooming machines this year so if one breaks down there will be a back-up. Draxler has notified Bryan Lundahl with Beaver Creek Lodge.

**(Attachment 1)**

## OTHER BUSINESS

- ✓ **Cache County and Logan City Joint Council Meeting – May 29, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in County Council Chambers** – Agenda items will include the Zoo, RAPZ funding and SIP. Executive Lemon also suggested discussing the need for Logan City's support of the RAPZ/Restaurant Tax question that will be on the November ballot as well as a discussion of the Eccles Ice Center's 1/64 percent dedicated tax.

- ✓ **USACCC Summer Meeting – June 29, 2012 at Ruby's Inn – June 28th – Tour Garfield County** – Council members should contact Janeen Allen if they plan to attend.

## COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

**Cory Yeates** reported he visited the Willow Park Zoo and there are bobcats, porcupine, coyotes, monkeys, marmots, turtles, fallow deer, elk, raccoon, wallabies, etc. Yeates said there are some possibilities at the zoo and space is the limiting factor.

**Val Potter** said he has been asked to serve on the Willow Park Evaluation Committee and will meet with the other eight members Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

**Kathy Robison** indicated the mood at the Fairgrounds Advisory Board meeting was to explore the possibility of doing a property separation from Logan City on the fairgrounds. There are insurance liability issues and complicated permitting processes.

**Jon White** praised the county's cooperation in the Medusa spraying/control program and it's his conviction that the range ground in Cache County would be gone without the spraying program.

White asked how the canal project is going? Lemon responded Bob Fotheringham will give a report at the May 29, 2012 Joint Council meeting which needs to be added to the agenda for that meeting. Denise Ciebien reported that the bids for design review are coming up soon.

**Chairman Craig Buttars** asked Executive Lemon if there has been any action on the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) work list for Smithfield Canyon? Lemon said the county will provide in-kind material and/or labor. BRAG has agreed to work with the Bear River Basin Corps which will contract with the Road Department to provide the road improvements.

Chairman Buttars informed the Council that a Wasatch Council member, Val Draper, was killed in an automobile accident. Draper served on the RAC.

**Gordon Zilles** asked if there was any other discussion on the culvert for the canal company on Meridian Road? Lemon said Engineer Zollinger looked at it and it has a dent, but does not need to be replaced. Lemon asked him to do a return visit when water is flowing and then meet with Council member White, Darrell Erickson and Executive Lemon.

## ADJOURNMENT

The Council meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

**ATTEST:** Jill N. Zollinger
County Clerk

**APPROVAL:** Craig "W" Buttars
Chairman

In Logan Canyon
BEAVER CREEK LODGE INC.
Lodging • Snowmobile Rentals • Horseback Riding

Subject: 2011-2012 Grooming feed back by Beaver Creek Lodge

To whom it may concern:

I would like to give high praise and a big thank you to Richard Droesbeke, his staff, and Bear Lake State Parks for their efforts in keeping the snowmobile trails groomed this past winter season. I would also like to express the need for updated grooming equipment to reduce down time due to breakdowns.

My name is Bryan Lundahl, and I own and operate Beaver Creek Lodge in Logan Canyon. Our company has a special use permit from the forest service to outfit and guide snowmobile groups in the Logan Canyon area. We use trail systems groomed by the Utah State Parks every day during the winter months. This year trail quality certainly had its challenges with less than normal snow, warmer than usual temperatures, and several groomer break downs due to aging equipment.

During the end of February and first of March there was a two week period when the Beaver Creek and Amazon trails were groomed maybe once due to breakdowns. This was peak season and many of our customers had traveled long distances at great expense to snowmobile here. It is frustrating to see guests have such a negative experience because of bumpy trails when our area has so much to offer.

It is my hope that the Bear Lake Grooming program will get newer or less worn out grooming equipment to avoid the amount of breakdowns we experienced last season. It would also be helpful to have the prioritizing of trails groomed based on use rather than a set schedule.

I want to thank Wayne Early, Bear Lake's assistant manager, for keeping us updated on grooming schedules throughout the season, and notifying me of equipment breakdowns. That information was very valuable to us. I also want to give special thanks to Richard Droesbeke for giving the approval to groom through March 30th. We had a very busy schedule the last week of March and appreciated smooth trails to snowmobile on.

Sincerely,

Bryan Lundahl, President
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