

Sunset City Corporation
City Council Minutes
June 17, 2014
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Minutes of a regular meeting held June 17, 2014 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Macfarlane presiding.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor and Council Present:

Beverly Macfarlane	Mayor
Chris Hadley	Council Member
Trystal Peay	Council Member
Jake Peterson	Council Member

City Employees Present:

Susan R. Hale	Recorder
Linda J. Youngdell	Treasurer/Office Manager
Ken Eborn	Police Chief
Norm Noyes	Public Works Director
Travis Carter	Asst. Fire Chief

Excused:

Ryan Furniss	Council Member
Kevin Snow	Council Member
Breen Lowman	Fire Chief

Others Present:

David Harris	HAFB
Kyle Gorder	HAFB
Jarrod Case	HAFB
Tracy Roddom	Davis County Animal Care & Control
Stephanie Gonzales	Woods Cross Police Officer
Terry Avondet	Sunset Citizen Corps

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Macfarlane.

Council Member Hadley gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Council Member Hadley made a motion to approve the minutes of May 20, 2014 and June 3, 2014 as presented. Council Member Peay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: There were none.

- Presentation of a gift to Police Chief Eborn from the Citizen Police Academy:** Woods Cross Officer Stephanie Gonzales, who is the Program Coordinator for the Citizen Police Academy, said Chief Eborn was unable to attend the graduation, but he is an important part of the Citizen Academy Program. She handed him a dancing bear and a plaque signed by all the class members to say thank you.

Mayor Macfarlane read a newspaper article stating Sunset is Utah's safest City, according to a ranking by a national website called SafeWise.

2. **Hill AFB Environmental Update:** Kyle Gorder, an Environmental Engineer for HAFB, is helping to work on the clean up of industrial solvents deposited on the ground up until the early 1970's when environmental laws began taking effect. The area in Sunset affected by trichloroethene (TCE) is called Operative Unit 5 (OU-5). The area between 2100 and 2200 North is called the TARS Plume for the Tooele Army Rail Shop. The northern most plume is called the Zone 16 Plume because it originates from the Zone 16 area of buildings. TCE is not in the drinking aquifers because the contaminated ground water is found between five and 50 feet below ground surface and the drinking aquifers are 300 feet and more below the ground surface. However, HAFB is liable to clean the ground water to drinking water standards. One of the treatment systems is on Main Street and it blows air bubbles up through the contaminated water to transfer the TCE to the air phase where it can dissipate into the air harmlessly. The purpose of that is to limit the amount of TCE entering Sunset. The second treatment system is just over the border in Clinton. It is an extraction trench that is filled with gravel to capture the water and remove the TCE. The northern area of contamination is being monitored and it has been determined the plume is getting smaller on its own by natural processes. They are proposing a study in the near future to see if they can speed some of it up by adding a carbon source, which is emulsified vegetable oil. Hopefully this will stimulate further biodegradation of TCE. OU-10 is right on the border of Sunset and Clearfield and it is over 200 feet deep so there is no way for people to come in contact with the contamination. There are two ways for people to come in contact with the contamination and they are by using shallow drinking wells or through the air. Early on they got the shallow well users hooked up to City culinary water and HAFB is paying their water bills. So far as they know, no one is still using a shallow well. HAFB offers air sampling to all residents' who live above the contaminated areas. When contamination is detected, residents are offered additional testing or if they are above the action level they are offered a vapor mitigation system to be installed in their home. There are 12 such systems installed in Sunset. When they had met with Mayor Macfarlane earlier, she had asked what they could do as a City to help. They have found that levels can change from day to day, so one way they can help is to get the word out not to stop participating in the air sampling if a resident receives a zero test because it could change. They offer testing every year and encourage residents to keep participating. He turned the time over to questions.

Council Member Hadley asked if the Elementary School in the south has been tested. Mr. Case replied it has not been necessary due to the depth of the contamination. Council Member Peterson asked if they have noticed a sizeable reduction in the contamination. Mr. Gorder said they had. In most cases the plumes are at least stable, but more are shrinking. They expect the clean up to take until the 2050's or later.

3. **Consider approving Resolution 2014-07 amending the 2015 General Fund Budget to adjust the property tax revenue to match the amount allowed by the Tax Commission:** Recorder Hale explained the certified tax rate was posted after the budget was adopted and the rate has decreased slightly based on growth, etc. The certified tax rate allows Sunset to

receive a little more in property tax revenue and in order to maintain the ability to collect all of the tax revenue allowed the budget must be amended to reflect the full amount allowed. The increase is \$3,166 to \$301,682.

Council Member Peay made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-07. Council Member Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote. Council Member Peterson – yes, Council Member Hadley – yes and Council Member Peay – yes.

4. **Consider approving Resolution 2014-08 adopting the 2014 Certified Tax Rate:** The Certified Tax Rate supplied by Davis County is .002258 for FY2015.

Council Member Hadley made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-08. Council Member Peay seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Council Member Peay – yes, Council Member Hadley – yes, Council Member Peterson – yes.

5. **Consider approving Resolution 2014-09 adopting the Sunset City fee schedule:** Mayor Macfarlane said there was some confusion with what was reported in the newspaper about the water fees. She clarified that a resident pays \$19.00 for the first 10,000 gallons of water used. The water used over the first 10,000 gallons will be billed at \$0.06 per 100 gallons. If a household uses 2,000 gallons they will still be charged \$19.00, so she encouraged residents to finish using their 10,000 gallons of water to water their yards. Council Member Hadley asked Public Works Director Noyes what the average sprinkling system uses per use. Director Noyes replied the average sprinkling system usually puts out 1,000 gallons per watering session. Typically a 4 person household will use 5,000 to 8,000 gallons of water for household use per month.

Mayor Macfarlane explained the changes in the fee schedule. The base residential sewer rate will increase from \$14.75 to \$20.65 and the commercial sewer rate will increase from \$14.90 to \$20.10. \$3.00 of those increases is from the North Davis Sewer District. The storm sewer rate will increase from \$1.80 to \$2.00 and the garbage rate will decrease from \$14.90 to \$13.15. The residential extra garbage can fee will increase from \$8.00 to \$11.50 and the commercial extra garbage can fee will decrease along with the first garbage can rate.

Council Member Hadley made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-09. Council Member Peay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote. Council Member Peterson – yes, Council Member Hadley – yes and Council Member Peay – yes.

6. **Consider approving the Trap, Neuter & Return Program Davis County Animal Care and Control is preparing to implement with the help of the Best Friends Animal Society of Utah:** Mayor Macfarlane explained this item was presented at the last meeting but it was not on the agenda for approval. She believes the City doesn't have anything to lose and everything to gain by approving this resolution, because it will help reduce the feral cat population and it won't cost the City anything. Council Member Peterson said he is for it and stated the Best Friends Animal Society said they would also provide deterrents to

residents if needed. Council Member Peay asked if picking up the cat would be one call and returning the cat would be another call. It was clarified the return of the cat would still be under the original call.

Council Member Peay made a motion to approve the Trap, Neuter and Return Program for Sunset City. Council Member Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Peay, Peterson and Hadley voting yes.

7. **Council Member reports and general information:** Council Member Peterson advised the Planning Commission meeting has been cancelled this month and they are still looking for alternate members.

Council Member Hadley reported the Fire Department was not as busy as it had been before the last Council meeting and he will allow Asst. Chief Carter expand on items regarding the Department. The Emergency Preparedness webpage is currently down and being redone.

Council Member Peay said she has met again with Recreation Supervisor Maylin about Fun Days. They will be using the same MC/Judge for the skate contest and they are working on a theme for the Saturday morning 5K run. They are planning to put up flyers for the advanced carnival ticket sales by the end of June. M.O.D. Taekwondo will be performing Saturday evening and they are working on a program to include veterans. They are working on a project for the Youth City Council to oversee during Fun Days and she needs to talk with Council Member Furniss to see if they will be manning the Pepsi trailer. James Beard from Wasatch Rods and Customs said he will get some autos for the Mayor and Council Members to ride in during the parade. They plan to have a "Movie in the Park" for Fun days and they would like to do another one in August for a back to school type event. The Fall City Employees Family Dinner is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 6th.

Mayor Macfarlane advised a steering committee has been formed for the Zions Bank study including Mr. Winegar, the manager of Sunset Square, Planning Chair Stevenson and Council Member Snow. She would like another Council Member to tour with Public Works Director Noyes and Zions Bank prior to their first meeting. She will ask Council Member Furniss and, if he cannot do it, she will ask Council Member Peay.

Police Chief Eborn had emailed the Mayor and Council about the possibility of hiring as a reserve police officer, the next applicant on the hiring roster so he is trained in the event Officer Higdon retires, but he did not get enough responses back to move forward with it. Officer Higdon is now retiring on June 27th and he would like to have that applicant ready to be hired as soon as Officer Higdon retires. He has talked to him and he is still interested, so he asked the Council for their feelings on it. The Council Members agreed it was a good idea. Chief Eborn reminded them the new Officer will be hired at a lower wage than Officer Higdon was making and he will be paying for 20% of his insurance. If all goes well with his training, he will be ready to be out on his own about the time school begins and Officer Arbogast goes back into the Junior High. Council Member Hadley has had some complaints from citizens who think they have been targeted with ordinance enforcement and others have

not. Chief Eborn asked Council Member Hadley to get him a list of those properties complained about. Ordinance enforcement is always ongoing.

Public Works Director Noyes reported the CDBG project has been delayed a week and they should start to see some activity in the next couple of days.

Treasurer/Office Manager Youngdell advised the third sexual harassment training has been held and there are still some who have not attended. The insurance agent will be conducting other trainings in the area, so she will try to have them attend one of those.

Asst. Fire Chief Carter stated Firefighter Jacob Sobers recently delivered a baby when a call was received. It seems like he gets a call every time he is on shift and they are usually crazy calls, too. They will be removing the stickers on the red car this week and next week so it can be sold. Last night a power pole burned down pretty good and Rocky Mountain Power had to replace the crossbeam that the wires are attached to. Therefore power was off for awhile. The Fire Academy will be over in three weeks and the firefighters should all be certified. An awards banquet will be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 30th, hopefully in the Sunset Room, for the firefighters and their families. The Mayor and Council Members are also invited to attend. They will send out emails to everyone to let them know for sure where it will be.

Mayor Macfarlane thanked the Council and Department Heads. Together they are pushing the City forward and she really appreciates their hard work. She hopes the Council Members have goals for their assignments so they can move forward and are able to report that something has been accomplished at every Council meeting.

Council Member Peterson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Hadley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Approved – July 15, 2014

/s/Beverly K. Macfarlane, Mayor

/s/Susan R. Hale, Recorder