

**Sunset City Corporation
City Council Minutes
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Minutes of a regular meeting held October 17, 2017 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Macfarlane presiding.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor and Council Present:

Beverly Macfarlane	Mayor
Chad Bangerter	Council Member
Ricky Carlson	Council Member
Norm Noyes	Council Member
Jake Peterson	Council Member
Scott Wiggill	Council Member

Excused:

Linda J. Youngdell	Treasurer/Office Manager
Jason Monroe	Public Works Director

City Employees Present:

Susan R. Hale	Recorder
Ken Eborn	Police Chief
Joe Maylin	Public Works Operations Manager

Others Present:

Alana Griffith	Sunset Youth City Council Advisor
Hannah Griffith	Sunset Youth City Mayor
Laura Penman	Linda Kight
Thomas Love	Nancy & Robert Smalling
Arlo Doyle	

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

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

Approval of Minutes: Council Member Noyes made a motion to approve the minutes of June 27, 2017, August 29, 2017, September 5, 2017, September 6, 2017 and September 21, 2017 as written. Council Member Bangerter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bangerter, Carlson, Noyes, Peterson and Wiggill voting yes.

Public Comments: Arlo Doyle is concerned that the parking ordinance is back on the agenda when months ago they discussed whether or not to allow parking of semi-trailers within the City because a business was trying to get permission to park a mobile CT scanner trailer in the parking lot of his business. There is an ordinance that does not allow the parking of semi-trailers within the City. On multiple occasions the Council has said it doesn't want to make exceptions to the City ordinance. At 75 W. 1550 N. there are over half a dozen semi-trailers parked on the property and he wondered if they were grandfathered. He suggested changing the ordinance so that semi-trailers are not allowed in residential areas, but are allowed in commercial areas with

certain regulations. Regarding parking vehicles on the City streets, he understands there was only one person who wanted to stop allowing it and that suggests to him there may be a personal issue with the ordinance. He believes that may infringe upon a person's right to have company over without enough parking spaces on their property. He said he has been asked what the City Council is doing because it appears they are not accomplishing much and people feel the Council may be driven by a personal agenda.

Linda Kight explained she was stuck at her residence for two weeks. She needs to be able to park on the side street 125 West in the winter. She stated the sidewalks are not wheelchair friendly and they have to ride in the street. She asked the Council not to change the parking ordinance because she can't park on her lawn due to the sprinkling system. She can't park in her driveway because when the plow comes by she is plowed in.

Patrick Murphy understands the fire department referendum is ready to go to the voters and the fire department is supposed to be reinstated until it's voted upon. He would like to see that happen. He knows there have been hurt feelings but believes there is nothing this City cannot overcome. He believes there is good leadership in the City and in the fire department and believes they can heal the divide. He would appreciate the Council's efforts in this matter.

1. **Youth City Council report:** Youth Mayor Hannah Griffith stated the Youth Council is selling Little Caesar's Pizza cards for their fundraiser. They will be painting more curbs for fire zones on Thursday. Last week they helped with the Heritage Center Fall Festival in Roy and they will be helping with the Sunset Elementary Fall Carnival on October 27th. The Youth City Council will be decorating another Christmas tree for the Evergreen's Benefit, which raises money for the Safe Harbor Crisis Center. The money given to the Youth Council on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas will be used for this project and they will be asking for other donations as well. They especially need someone to donate a pre-lit tree by November 12th. Lastly, Youth Mayor Griffith asked if the Youth Council could get a key to the City Building. Mayor Macfarlane believes they could ask for a donated tree on the City web page. Council Member Peterson explained there is not an extra key to the City Building that they could be given. Youth Mayor Griffith said they normally knock on the window and get let in, but sometimes they are not heard. It was suggested they could call the Davis County Dispatch to ask an Officer to let them in if they need to. When asked, Youth Mayor Griffith stated there are presently 12 Youth Members and they are seeking more with about 20 being their maximum. Council Member Peterson thanked Youth City Council Advisors Alana Griffith and Itol Hunt for all their hard work with the Youth.

2. **Discuss the Sunset City parking ordinance:** Mayor Macfarlane explained this item is not for approval of an ordinance, but discussion on how to amend the current ordinance to make it a little better. She believes they need to have something the Police can enforce.

The Council discussed amendments including reinstating a section that reads, "Any resident of the City may request permission to park any vehicle or unattached trailer, camper or boat on the street in excess of 24 hours when the same is required by emergency or other unusual circumstances. The Police Department, for good cause shown, may grant such permission.

The Police Department shall be the sole judge as to the necessity and requirements for the granting of such permission”, changing the hours when parking is not allowed on the streets during the winter from ‘10 p.m. through 6 a.m.’ to ‘12 p.m. through 7 a.m.’, add that it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on the street 6 hours before the time a snow storm has been predicted to occur and until the street has been plowed after a measurable snowfall, changing the continued time any vehicle, trailer, boat or camper is allowed to park on the street during the summer from 72 hours to 24 hours.

Mayor Macfarlane was happy the Council listened to the residents who spoke during the last meeting and are taking those concerns into consideration.

It was decided to have the Council review the draft and give their input to Recorder Hale so she can put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

- 3. Discuss ordinance violation fine amounts:** Council Member Bangerter explained this was brought before the Council because he, Chief Eborn and Court Supervisor Arbogast found the City fines were less than what the State recommends. The fines were discussed, with Council Member Noyes clarifying the fines were not just for parking, but for other ordinances as well. When asked clarification of what the surcharge percentage was, Recorder Hale replied that is the amount of each fine that goes to the State. The Council discussed changing the weed & junk fine from one amount for every time a person gets cited to having it increase significantly each time a person gets cited.

It was decided to have the Police Chief, Court Supervisor & Judge review the fees and make suggestions. They would then give it to Recorder Hale to put on the Council agenda in 30 days.

- 4. Mayor, Council and Department Head Reports:** Council Member Bangerter stated the Planning Commission is working on the Fence Ordinance due to big development coming in and have drafted definitions for four types of fencing. Opaque is a problem because Sunset City gets high winds at times so a vinyl fence may be blown over, so Council Member Bangerter wondered if a commercial grade chain link fence with heavy duty slats would be sufficient for opaque. It could also be a concrete wall. When a commercial development raises their land to level it out, maybe it should be in the ordinance that they have to put their required six foot wall on the raised property and not along the property line if it is lower. Mayor Macfarlane believes it is important to have a good ordinance in place for when the 1800 North project begins. The Council discussed opaque fencing further. Council Member Bangerter stated the General Plan has stalled because the Planning Commission has been busy with conditional use requests and they are having a hard time getting a quorum together. Last week was Fire Prevention Week and Council Member Bangerter attended the North Davis Fire District held open houses in Sunset, Clearfield and West Point. He was able to attend the ones in Sunset and Clearfield and said they were very impressive. The CERT table had door hangers with “need help” on one side and “ok” on the other side for residents to use in a disaster. He picked some up and will have them at the counter of Administration

for residents. Council Member Bangerter reported there are some development projects coming in, but they are in the preliminary stage at this time.

Council Member Carlson stated he was able to attend all three North Davis Fire District open houses and agreed they were impressive. At the Mosquito Abatement meeting, the Board Members received a lot of final numbers for the year. West Nile Virus cases were high this year with 52 State-wide human cases, 7 of which were in Davis County. 30 horses throughout the State contracted it as well. 32 of the 52 human cases they call neuro-invasive where it affects the nerves. There are 26 mosquito traps throughout Davis County and 24 of them tested positive for West Nile Virus. They are hoping the new technology, such as drones will help in the future. It is very expensive to combat the mosquitoes; just in chemicals the District's budget is \$660,000.

Council Member Noyes reported that one of the regular Council meeting attendees, Shirley Griffiths, has passed away yesterday. Mayor Macfarlane reported there were three deaths in the City within the last week.

Council Member Peterson advised the Veterans Day Program will be held on November 9th at 6:30 p.m. due to there being a lot of potential participants at a Veterans Ball in Ogden on the 10th and a ground breaking ceremony for a veterans wall in Layton on Veterans Day, the 11th.

Council Member Wiggill stated the North Davis Fire District open house was a good opportunity for Sunset residents to meet with some of the firefighters and hopefully get some questions answered. He reported there have been Emergency Preparedness classes being held for the last two months with today being the last one, in which they are holding a mock disaster. He congratulated those who participated and will now be educated in case there is ever a disaster in the City. He asked anyone else who would like to become involved to contact Allyson Jackson. He thanked her and her husband, Jeremiah, for all their hard work and the Police Department for opening the Sunset Room doors for the CERT trainings. The next CERT training will begin in February. They are always looking for more volunteers in CERT and Emergency Preparedness.

Police Chief Eborn apologized for being late and said he was speaking to a group of Scouts. He did not have anything to report and asked to be excused go to an Officer who requested his help.

Public Works Operations Manager Maylin reported their goal is to sweep all the streets in the City once per week and the problematic streets more often. The park restrooms are now closed for the winter. Council Member Noyes mentioned it is a violation of City Ordinance for residents to blow the leaves off of their lawn onto City streets.

Mayor Macfarlane advised someone from the 388th Fighter Wing will be here to speak during the City's Veterans Day Program. She attended a conference in Baltimore with the North Davis Sewer Board. The District's Engineer took them around to the vendors who are

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helping to update the North Davis Sewer Plant and she learned a lot of information she could bring back to the City's Public Works. She also went to Chicago for an International conference with the Wasatch Integrated Systems Board. Listening to the way several other countries address waste made her proud to live in the United States. A group of disabled Scouts approached her with a request for the City to install some playground equipment to make it ADA accessible. She will ask the Kiwanis Club Board during their next meeting for an \$800 donation for that project. The U.S. flags will be put up around the City Building on Veterans Day. Mayor Macfarlane reported she gets alerts on her cell phone whenever the North Davis Fire Department is paged out so she can see how they are doing for Sunset and she is pretty impressed so far. Mayor Macfarlane recapped a meeting she and Public Works Director Monroe attended with representatives from Weber Basin Water about the City well. Due to problems with updating the well Weber Basin plans to cap it for now, but they will still credit \$15,000 onto Sunset's water bill each year to hold their right to use the well water. This will allow Sunset City to move \$15,000 budgeted for the water payment into another budget line item to help with infrastructure. Mayor Macfarlane thanked the Council Members and employees for all they do for the City.

Council Member Peterson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Carlson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bangerter, Carlson, Noyes, Peterson and Wiggill voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Approved – November 21, 2017

/s/Beverly K. Macfarlane, Mayor

/s/Susan R. Hale, Recorder