

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2009, ROY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. Approval of January 6, 2009, minutes
2. Public hearing to consider adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget
 - a. Consideration of Resolution No. 946 approving adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2009 Water and Sewer Utility Enterprise Fund Budget
3. Public comments
4. City Manager's report
5. Mayor and Council reports
6. Adjourn
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Minutes of the Roy City Council Meeting held January 20, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Room of the Roy City Municipal Building

The meeting was a regularly scheduled meeting designated by resolution. Notice of the meeting was provided to the *Standard Examiner* at least 24 hours in advance. A copy of the agenda was posted.

The following members were in attendance:

Mayor Joe H. Ritchie
Councilwoman Marge Becraft
Councilman Willard Cragun
Councilman Larry Peterson
Councilman Michael Stokes
Councilman Dave Tafoya

City Manager Chris Davis
City Attorney Andy Blackburn
Secretary Michelle Drago

Also present were: Cathy Spencer, Management Services Director and Rachel Trotter.

Moment of Silence: Councilwoman Becraft

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilwoman Becraft

1. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 6, 2009, MINUTES

Councilwoman Becraft moved to approve the minutes of January 6, 2009, as written. Councilman Cragun seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted “aye.” The motion carried.

2. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2009 BUDGET

Councilman Peterson moved to open the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted “aye.” The motion carried.

Cathy Spencer stated that the Central Weber Sewer District had increased its user fees by \$4.50 per residential unit per month effective January 1, 2009. The Central Weber Sewer District served portions of Roy east of 1900 West between Riverdale Road and 4400 South. There were several large apartment complexes in this area. They would be charged \$4.50 for each apartment. The administration had proposed passing the increase through to the users, which meant the \$10.75 monthly sewer fee would increase to \$15.25 per residential unit. The budget needed to be increased to reflect the additional revenue and expense of \$21,500 to Central Weber. Ms. Spencer said that Central Weber had indicated the fee would continue to increase approximately 20% each of the following three years. The Council and administration would reevaluate the sewer rates as the increases occurred.

Ms. Spencer stated that some adjustments were needed in the budget regarding personnel wages and benefits. There had been some retirements and shifting of employees that affected the fund. The total amount of the adjustment was \$5,220. The budget also needed to be adjusted to include approximately \$185,000 in interest income on the funds set aside for the water bonds. The interest was not included in the original budget.

Councilman Tafoya asked how the future fee increases from Central Weber would be handled. Cathy Spencer said the increases would have to be passed through to the users each time Central Weber increased its fees.

Councilwoman Becraft asked if any businesses would be affected by the fee increase. Cathy Spencer said Matrix would be affected. She wasn't sure what the fee would be for a commercial user. The increases for the apartment complexes would be large. There were 850 residential units from Roy being serviced by the Central Weber Sewer District.

Councilman Peterson asked if the fee increase was for the Central Weber Sewer District only. Cathy Spencer said that was correct.

Councilman Cragun stated that Roy City did not have any representation on the Central Weber Sewer District Board. Central Weber knew when the City approved its budget. Yet they were increasing their rates at mid year. He appreciated North Davis Sewer's efforts to work with the City's budget year. He felt the City needed to relay a strong message to Central Weber that the City wasn't happy about having to make mid-year adjustments.

Councilwoman Becraft asked why Roy City didn't have a representative on Central Weber's board. Councilman Tafoya said Roy City did not have enough units to warrant a seat on the board.

Councilman Stokes asked about the possibility of Central Weber collecting its own fees. Chris Davis stated that the City had an interlocal agreement with Central Weber Sewer District in which Roy City had agreed to collect the fees. Councilman Stokes felt that it would be good to suggest that the City have a representative on Central Weber's board as a condition of renewing the agreement. He asked that the staff provide the Council with a copy of the interlocal agreement with Central Weber so that the expiration date could be determined.

The Council suggested that a letter be sent to Central Weber regarding the timing of the fee increase. Mayor Ritchie asked the Council who would sign the letter. Councilman Stokes felt it should be signed by the entire Council. Councilman Peterson felt it would send a united message to Central Weber.

Mayor Ritchie asked that the City Manager prepare a letter for the Council's signature regarding the fee increase during the middle of the City's fiscal year and requesting that the City be allowed to have representation on the board.

Mayor Ritchie opened the floor for public comments. There were none.

Councilwoman Becraft moved to close the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted "aye." The motion carried.

Councilman Stokes moved to approve Resolution No. 946 approving adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2009 Water & Sewer Utility Enterprise Fund Budget. Councilman Peterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Council members Tafoya, Becraft, Peterson, Cragun, and Stokes voted "aye." The motion carried. (Copy filed for record).

Councilman Peterson moved to direct the staff to draft a letter to the Central Weber Sewer District to be signed by the City Council expressing concern regarding the timing of the rate increase versus fiscal year operations and suggesting that Roy City have representation on the board so that there could be better coordination and communication between the two entities. Councilwoman Becraft seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted "aye." The motion carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

4. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Davis reminded the City Council about the meeting with the local State legislators on Friday, January 23rd, at 6:30 p.m. The 2009 State Legislative Session would begin on Monday, January 26th.

Chris Davis stated that the light at 2700 West 4800 South was now functioning. Drivers could turn left and travel south on 2700 West, but there wasn't room for drivers to turn left and travel north on 2675 West.

Chris Davis stated that the Roy High School cheerleaders took first place in the State. They won the 4A category and were the highest ranking team overall. Councilman Peterson suggested that the Council pass a resolution congratulating the Roy High School

cheerleaders. Mayor Ritchie asked the staff to prepare a resolution congratulating the cheerleaders to be considered at the next Council meeting and to invite the cheerleaders to accept the resolution.

5. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Stokes reported on the Chamber of Commerce. He had been attending the Chamber of Commerce meetings with Mayor Ritchie and Chris Davis. They had heard presentations regarding the expansion of Union Station, Rocky Mountain Power, and GSL Minerals. There were some interesting things with the Legislature coming up. He planned to attend the Friday meetings at the Capitol.

6. ADJOURN

Councilman Becraft moved to adjourn at 6:18 p.m.

7. SUMMARY OF ACTIONS CHARGED

1. Staff to provide Council members with a copy of the interlocal agreement between Roy City and Central Weber Sewer.
2. Staff to draft a letter to the Central Weber Sewer District by to be signed by the City Council expressing concern regarding the timing of the rate increase versus the fiscal year operations and suggesting that Roy City have representation on their board.
3. Staff to prepare a resolution congratulating the high school cheerleaders for their first place at State.

Joe H. Ritchie
Mayor

Attest:

Michelle Drago
Secretary