

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009, ROY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Minutes of the Roy City Council Meeting held September 1, 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	City Manager Chris Davis
Councilwoman Marge Becraft	City Attorney Andy Blackburn
Councilman Willard Cragun	Secretary Michelle Drago
Councilman Larry Peterson	
Councilman Michael Stokes	
Councilman Dave Tafoya	

Also present were: Tony Reynolds, Community & Economic Development Director; Jared Hall, Planner; Sam Klemm; Boy Scout Troop 470; Christie Oosterman; G. Jay Butler; Roberta Robinson; Florence Lewis; Drue Felt; Sandi Christensen; Shirley Hammond; Rachel Trotter; David Kay; and Dustin Christensen.

Moment of Silence: Councilman Tafoya

Pledge of Allegiance: Boy Scout Troop 470

1. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 18, 2009, MINUTES

Councilman Peterson moved to approve the minutes of August 18, 2009, as written. Councilwoman Tafoya seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted "aye." The motion carried.

2. WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL PRESENTATION - "WASATCH CHOICES 2040"

Sam Klemm, Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC), stated that the population of Utah was growing rapidly. Between July 2007 and July 2008, Utah was the fastest growing state in the country. Most of the growth was occurring in the Wasatch Front region. It was estimated that the population in 2040 would 5.2 million. That would be like moving everyone in the state today into Weber, Davis, Salt Lake, and Utah counties. The issue was how to handle that amount of growth. There were problems attributed to growth - traffic, air pollution, and overcrowded schools. Utah was growing so fast, the State was having a hard time keeping up financially with all of the needs. Wasatch Front Regional Council had partnered with Mountainland Area of Governments in Utah County to hire Envision Utah to complete a study.

Mr. Klemm said Envision Utah held community workshops and open houses and conducted surveys and polls. They came up with nine growth principles:

- Provide public infrastructure that is efficient and adequately maintained
- Provide regional mobility through a variety of interconnected transportation choices
- Integrate local land-use with regional transportation systems
- Provide housing for people in all stages and incomes
- Ensure public health and safety
- Enhance the regional economy
- Promote regional collaboration
- Strengthen sense of community
- Protect and enhance the environment

The devil was in the details. Envision Utah came up with implementation strategies to make the system work and be cost effective.

Christie Oosterman, Envision Utah, stated that the Vision was to promote walkable communities based on the nine growth principles. Walkable communities were close to mass transit and were a mix of residential and commercial. Walkable neighborhoods produced pretty significant benefits: 18% less traffic congestion, a 12% increase in transit use, and 23 fewer square miles of land consumption. Implementation strategies were: 1 - Develop a local land reuse strategy; 2 - Provide incentives for contiguous growth and infill; 3 - Preserve future transportation and utility corridors; 4 - Create walkable commercial and mixed-use districts; 5 - Plan for transit oriented development; 6 - Plan for and build neighborhood friendly elementary schools; 7 - Create a plan for workforce housing; 8 - Interconnect roadways and pedestrian paths; 9 - Plan for job centers and economic development readiness; 10 - Plan to minimize development and maximize conservation on and near critical lands.

Sam Klemm stated that WFRC was not suggesting that mixed use development occur everywhere. They were suggesting mixed use around a mass transit site followed by more high density housing and then single family housing. Every city would implement strategies that worked for them. WFRC and Envision Utah encouraged cities to adopt the growth principles and incorporate them as general plans were updated. Local governments were the key because they had the authority. The WFRC was just a planning agency. If cities continued business as usual, they would bankrupt themselves. I-15 would have to be 28 lanes wide just to accommodate future traffic. If the growth principles and implementation strategies were implemented, the estimated growth could be accommodated on 4% to 5% of the developable land.

Councilman Cragun asked if this plan had been presented to the legislature. Mr. Klemm said it had been presented to the caucuses in Weber, Davis, and Salt Lake Counties and to the Democratic Caucus. They had talked to the Republican Caucus in Weber and Davis Counties. All indicated that they did not make the planning and zoning decisions; that was up to the cities. Councilman Cragun said the State legislature regulated what cities could do in the area of planning and development.

WFRC needed to help the State legislature realize that they had to work hand-in-glove with cities. It would take help from the State to overcome resistance.

Councilman Peterson asked how cities encouraged walkable communities when developers wanted to create large regional destinations. Sam Klemm said they had seen success around the track stations. Developers liked mixed use because they got more density, which meant more money for them. There were places where mixed use worked and places it didn't. A little common sense planning in the right place would make mixed use neighborhoods work and take cars off I-15.

Councilman Tafoya asked what cities, like Roy, could do that were built out. Did they step back and say this was what they wanted to see in the future? Sam Klemm said Roy City would be able to do something as it redeveloped. As redevelopment occurred in 10 to 15 years, the City would be able to tell developers what it was looking for. When developers were given the opportunity to build high density housing around a transit stop, cities might have to beat them off with a stick.

3. CONSIDERATION OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A NEW OFFICE BUILDING FOR ROY FAMILY DENTAL ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 4000 SOUTH AND MIDLAND DRIVE

Mayor Ritchie stated that in a prior meeting, the City Council had approved the Midland Square Commercial Subdivision along with a development agreement. The development agreement required conditional use approval for each lot. The City Council had considered a conditional use approval for Maverik. Roy Family Dental was requesting a conditional use permit for a dental office.

Councilwoman Becraft moved to approve a conditional use permit for a new office building for Roy Family Dental on property located at approximately 4000 South Midland Drive based on the staff's findings and subject to the conditions recommended by the staff and Planning Commission. Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted "aye." The motion carried.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dustin Christensen, Boy Scout Troop 470, was concerned about the lack of sidewalk on 5200 South between 2700 West and 3500 West. People were walking in the streets, even mothers pushing baby strollers, because there wasn't any sidewalk. He showed the Council pictures of 5200 South. There were patches of sidewalk that switched back and forth across the street. It wasn't consistent. He would like to see sidewalk installed so that people weren't walking in the street where they could be hit.

Mayor Ritchie said the staff would look into the matter and get back to him with a solution.

Councilman Cragun stated that some of the area was developed in Weber County under different development standards. They weren't required to put in curb, gutter, and sidewalk. The City needed to work with Weber County to resolve the problem.

David Kay, scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 470, 5096 South 2925 West, suggested that temporary crosswalks be painted on 5200 South to allow pedestrians to criss cross back and forth until a permanent solution was found.

Andy Blackburn stated that the City would look into crosswalks.

David Kay stated that the Eagle Lake Golf Course had a driving range that was lit up with lights at night. The light on the north east side of the driving range lined up directly with 2925 West. When drivers were driving south on 2925 West after dark, the light made visibility very difficult. They had talked to the golf course, but not much had happened. Could the City ask the golf course to move the light so it wasn't facing down the road.

Mayor Ritchie stated that the golf course was private property. The staff would determine if the light was causing a public safety hazard.

Gordon Butler, 5364 South 2100 West, read a letter to the City Council (see attached copy). He apologized to the Mayor and Council for his behavior the last time he appeared before the Council. He never told the Council how much he appreciated all it did. He could tell the by his prior visits that the Council was motivated in having the City be successful. He recalled his experience living in Pasco, Washington. Pasco was an attractive community when he moved there, but over time it became run down. He felt that blight beget blight; irresponsibility beget irresponsibility. He was concerned about the City of Roy. Recently his neighbor at 5374 South 2100 West received an anonymous message thanking them for having and maintaining such a beautiful yard. He felt the citizens could start a positive feedback program. Positive response to positive behavior worked. The Council could not expect one lone employee to maintain the beautification and safety standards of the City. He hoped a volunteer work force could provide assistance in an appropriate and lawful

manner to help keep Roy City clean. He welcomed the opportunity to meet with the staff and Council to discuss the implementation of his ideas.

Mayor Ritchie stated that the City Council appreciated Mr. Butler's interests and concerns. The City Council recently spent several hours in a work session discussing code enforcement. The Council had given Tony Reynolds a pretty direct path to follow to accomplish their goals. He asked Mr. Butler to meet with Tony Reynolds to discuss his ideas and plans. The Council could get involved after their discussion.

Councilman Stokes stated that the Council had come up with a list of ideas to improve beautification and code enforcement. The City Council made sure Tony Reynolds could add his ideas to the list. Everything was on the table.

Councilman Tafoya felt Mr. Butler should be proud of himself for expressing his opinion and for his love of the community. He wished more people in the community would become involved.

Sandi Christensen, RASA President, 4841 South 3757 West, invited eligible Council members to join RASA. Actually anyone could join. RASA needed all the help it could get. Dues were \$10 a year.

Mayor Ritchie asked how one joined RASA. Ms. Christensen said you just came into the Senior Center and applied. Mayor Ritchie stated that Councilman Cragun was a member of the Board of Directors and Councilwoman Becraft was a Council representative.

Councilman Stokes was excited about the new center and the opportunities it would provide to reach out to the community. He asked if there were ways to spread the word about RASA. Ms. Christensen said a small advertisement was included on the September water bills. She hoped that would get some attention. Councilman Stokes suggested that information about RASA and the Senior Center could be included on the City's website.

Shirley Hammond, 5843 South 2575 West, stated that she had been a RASA member for over 20 years. Everything they made from their fund raisers went toward purchasing things for the center, such as paints, table, chairs, and kilns. They had even paid to have the center painted.

5. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 959 APPROVING THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID IN FIRE PREVENTION AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT RESPONSE WITH UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Fire Chief Jon Ritchie stated that Hill AFB had requested that Roy City renew the mutual aid and interlocal agreement. The agreement was good for three years. All of the twenty communities surrounding Hill AFB had been asked to renew their mutual aid agreements. Resolution No. 959

would approve a Mutual Aid Agreement for mutual aid in fire prevention and hazardous materials incident response with the United States Air Force.

Mayor Ritchie stated that legal counsel had looked at the resolution and approved it for legality and form.

Councilman Peterson moved to approve Resolution No. 959 approving a mutual aid agreement with the United States Air Force for mutual aid in fire prevention and hazardous material incident response and to authorize the appropriate signatures. Councilwoman Becraft seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Council members Cragun, Tafoya, Peterson, Becraft, and Stokes voted "aye." The motion carried. (Copy filed for record).

6. CANCELLATION OF SEPTEMBER 15 AND NOVEMBER 3, 2009, CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS DUE TO ELECTIONS

Mayor Ritchie stated that due to the primary and general elections, it would be necessary to cancel the September 15th and November 3rd Council meetings. State law prohibited the City from holding meetings during elections.

Councilman Cragun moved to cancel the September 15th and November 3rd City Council meetings due to the primary and general elections. Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Cragun, Peterson, Stokes, and Tafoya voted "aye." The motion carried.

Chris Davis stated that the City Council had to canvass the election returns no later than 7 to 14 days after the election. The canvass for the general election in November could be held during the November 17th Council meeting. However, a special meeting would be necessary to canvass the September primary returns. He asked if the Council wanted to hold the special meeting on September 22nd or 29th. The Council agreed to hold a special City Council meeting on September 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Davis said the meeting would have to be held in one of the conference rooms as there would be a Planning Commission meeting on September 22nd.

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Davis stated that the sign for the Hope Community Center had arrived and would be put up shortly.

Chris Davis asked when the City Council wanted to host the young women's soccer team from Roy High School. The Council agreed on September 23rd at West Park. He asked when the Council

wanted to host the Roy High School football team. The Council agreed on October 8th. Mr. Davis said he would email the Council members with the specific dates, times, and locations.

Chris Davis reminded the City Council about the youth service project that would be held at Emma Russell Park on September 12th at 8:00 a.m. The swimming pool would be opened to the youth afterward.

Chris Davis stated that early voting started on September 1st. Over 30 people had voted. That was more than the rest of Weber County combined. He felt the decision to put up signs around the Municipal Building had been helpful. Mayor Ritchie said some of the signs needed damage control.

Chris Davis stated that the Aquatic Center's last day for the season would be Monday, September 7th. There would still be night parties, but the pool would be closed to the general public.

8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Peterson stated that Gary Adams from Roy High School asked if the City Council would be willing to hold a reception for exchange students from Germany like they had done in the past. The students would be in Roy between September 20 and October 3rd. If the Council was interested, he suggested that the reception be piggybacked onto the dinner for the girls' soccer team. Mayor Ritchie felt it would be a good idea to combine them. Councilman Peterson said he would let Gary Adams know. In the past the German delegation had been presented with a proclamation from the Mayor. He felt it would be nice to do that again.

Councilman Cragun asked if a date had been set for the senior citizens dinner. Chris Davis said it had not. He would coordinate that with the center director and let the Council members know when it was.

9. ADJOURN

Councilman Cragun moved to adjourn at 7:07 p.m.

10. SUMMARY OF ACTIONS CHARGED

1. Staff to look into sidewalk installation on 5200 South and let Dustin Christensen know the solution.
2. Staff to determine if light at golf course is a public safety hazard.
3. Tony Reynolds to meet with Gordon Butler.
4. Chris Davis to let Council know dates, times, and places for dinners with the Roy High School girls' soccer and football teams.
5. Chris Davis to let Council know date of senior citizens dinner.

Joe H. Ritchie
Mayor

Attest:

Michelle Drago
Secretary

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Mr. Mayor and City Council, I want to apologize for my behavior when I have appeared before you before.

I apologize for not treating you as I had treated my staff and patients all these years, by telling you how I appreciate your service and tell you that you are doing good things for the citizens of our fine city... Then asking my questions and issuing challenges.

You can tell by my prior visits that I am motivated to see our city successful in being a safe, clean and vibrant place to raise our families.

My motivation can best be demonstrated by my experience: I was recruited by Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital to work in Pasco, WA. And found a nice, clean town of older homes with the usual 1 or 2 blighted yards here and there.

By the time we left Pasco to move to Joplin, MO. Only 1 or 2 homes were well kept in a block, no one dared to be out much as crime was severe, junk cars were parked in most every yard, drive by shootings were commonplace and we treated gun shot & stab wounds every night, in our ER. It was common to hear 5 to 8 gun shots out in the nearby area, during my shift, every night. The hospital is located in the center of the older part of town.

Blight begets blight. Irresponsibility begets irresponsible behavior.

Just as the life long people of Pasco sorrowed at what occurred to their town, the Nelsons, Jensions, Pattersons, Petersons, Allreds, Godfreys, Bingham, Sparrows, Barkers, Schadbolts and yes the Butlers, as well as others, are concerned about our beautiful Roy.

The people of Pasco chose to move to near by Kennewick or Richland and essentially gave away their houses to those who were causing the blight.

Judging by the face to face conversations, phone calls and email I have received, the people of Roy are **not** going to give up by moving away.

Recently, my neighbor (the Shadbolts) had an anonymous message fixed to their front door. It read, thank you for having and maintaining such a beautiful yard. They were so happy, that they felt paid for their effort.

The thought occurs to me, that we can and will start this type of effort of positive behavior, in a community wide project.

Positive response to positive behavior works Most times.

It also occurs to me, that there are a number of tasks that need to be done to see that those who are adding to the blight of our Roy, be notified of our **disappointment**.

We can not expect one lonely city employee to accomplish all the tasks involved in improving/maintaining the beauty, safety and cleanliness of Roy. I hope that a community wide project of volunteer workers, could not only provide the positive aspect as outlined above, but provide assistance in all ways appropriate and lawful, to aid in the enforcement of ordinances (present and future) that this council may deem necessary to keep our great city great.

I welcome the opportunity to meet with all or part of this council and/or city administration, at your pleasure, to discuss the implementation of these ideas.

I thank you for your time and thank you for your efforts in behalf of my family and neighbors.