

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

SHAWN DON SUZANNE GREGORY JIM REBECCA CHRIS
BARIGAR HALL HAWKINS LANTING MUNN, JR. MILLS SOJKA TALKINGTON
<i>Vice Mayor</i> <i>Mayor</i>



MINUTES
Meeting of the Twin Falls City Council
Monday, July 15, 2013
City Council Chambers
305 3rd Avenue East -Twin Falls, Idaho

5:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM
INTRODUCTION OF STAFF
CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA
PROCLAMATIONS: None

AGENDA ITEMS	Purpose	By:
I. CONSENT CALENDAR: 1. Consideration of a request to approve the accounts payable for the week of July 9 -15, 2013, total: \$646,691.63. 2. Consideration of a request to approve the Alcohol Licenses for Twin Falls Brickhouse LLC (Liquor, Beer & Wine) located at 516 Hansen Street So., Teodora Caffe LLC (Beer & Wine) located at 1563 Fillmore Street, Unit 1B, and for St. Luke's Medical Center (Beer & Wine) located at 801 Pole Line Road West. 3. Consideration of a request to approve the Annual Muscular Dystrophy Fill the Boot campaign on Friday, August 9, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the intersection of Addison Avenue East and Locust. 4. Consideration of a request to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision for: a. Zoning District Change & Zoning Map Amendment for Westpark Commercial #7 b. Vacation for Canyon Properties, LLC for property located between 555 Falling Leaf Lane and 583 Falling Leaf Lane within Canyon Trails Subd. #9. c. Vacation for Canyon Properties, LLC for property located between Lot 1 and Lot 14, Block 14 of the Canyon Trail Subdivision #5. 5. Consideration of a request to approve the 33rd Annual Buffalo Hot Wings Door Slammer Softball Tournament to be held on August 23, 24, and 25, 2013; and Picnic/Barbeque to be held at Harmon Park on August 24, 2013.	Action	Staff Report Sharon Bryan Sharon Bryan Ed Morris Mitch Humble Staff Sgt. Dennis Pullin
II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION: 1. Consideration of a request to <u>amend</u> the approval of the Grand Opening Event for the Glanbia Corporate Office and Cheese Innovation Center to be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2013. 2. Consideration of a request to award the US-30 Widening and Signalization Intersection to ALTA Construction, in the amount not to exceed \$727,907.80. 3. Update on the Twin Falls Police Department's efforts to curb the use of unsafe, illegal fireworks in the City of Twin Falls. 4. Continued discussion of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for the upcoming 2013-2014 fiscal year. 5. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.	Action Action Update Discussion	Staff Sgt. Dennis Pullin Jacqueline Fields Capt. Anthony Barnhart Travis Rothweiler
III. ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS		
IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 p.m. - None		
V. ADJOURNMENT:		

****Any person(s) needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact Leila Sanchez at (208) 735-7287 at least two working days before the meeting.***

PRESENT: Shawn Barigar, Greg Lanting, Don Hall, Suzanne Hawkins, Jim Munn, Rebecca Mills Sojka, Chris Talkington
ABSENT: None
STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich, Chief Finance Officer Lorie Race, Community Development Director Mitch Humble, Human Resource Director Susan Harris, City Engineer Jacqueline Fields, Budget Coordinator Pat Lehmann, Finance Accountant Bill Baxter, Assistant to the City Manager Mike Williams, Parks & Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer, Police Chief Brian Pike, PIO Josh Palmer, Captain Matt Hicks, Fire Chief Ron Clark, Zoning & Development Manager Renee' Carraway, IS Project Coordinator Tami Lauda, Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary Leila A. Sanchez

Mayor Lanting called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., and invited all present, who wished to, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with him. Mayor Lanting introduced staff.

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PROCLAMATIONS: None

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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3. Consideration of a request to approve the Annual Muscular Dystrophy Fill the Boot campaign on Friday, August 9, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the intersection of Addison Avenue East and Locust.
4. Consideration of a request to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision for:
 - a. Zoning District Change & Zoning Map Amendment for Westpark Commercial #7
 - b. Vacation for Canyon Properties, LLC for property located between 555 Falling Leaf Lane and 583 Falling Leaf Lane within Canyon Trails Subd. #9.
 - c. Vacation for Canyon Properties, LLC for property located between Lot 1 and Lot 14, Block 14 of the Canyon Trail Subdivision #5.

Vice Mayor Hall requested that Item #5 be heard separately.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor Hall made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hawkins and roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Councilperson Munn explained that he is a reserve officer coordinator for the Sherriff's office and it may be possible that he will be deploying officers for the event described in Item #5. He recused himself at this time because of a conflict of interest.

5. Consideration of a request to approve the 33rd Annual Buffalo Hot Wings Door Slammer Softball Tournament to be held on August 23, 24, and 25, 2013; and Picnic/Barbeque to be held at Harmon Park on August 24, 2013.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor Hall made a motion to approve the request as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hawkins and roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of a request to amend the approval of the Grand Opening Event for the Glanbia Corporate Office and Cheese Innovation Center to be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2013.

Staff Sergeant Pullin explained the request.

Staff recommends approval of the request.

MOTION:

Councilperson Barigar made a motion to amend the approval of the Grand Opening Event for the Glanbia Corporate Office and Cheese Innovation Center to be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2013, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Talkington and roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

2. Consideration of a request to award the US-30 Widening and Signalization Intersection to ALTA Construction, in the amount not to exceed \$727,907.80.

City Engineer Fields explained the request.

A project was developed to widen US-30 and place a signal at the Chobani employee driveway approach. The widening would reestablish the shoulders that are currently being borrowed for right turn refuge and place permanent delineation on the road for a left and right turn bay for the driveway approach. Because there is a funding opportunity to place a signal at the intersection, this was added to the project and is currently at point of discussion with ITD. The discussion with ITD is not yet complete; therefore, the project was bid with widening as the base bid of \$372,883.70, and signal installation as a deductive alternate of \$355,024.19. Should discussion with ITD result in an agreement, then the deductive alternate will be exercised and the City will enter into an agreement with ITD for maintenance and operation of the signal.

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the contract for US-30 Widening and Signalized intersection with ALTA Construction, Inc., that includes the deductive alternate as discussed in an amount not to exceed \$727,907.80.

Council discussion followed.

-URA Board

City Manager Rothweiler stated Chobani projects have been overseen by the City. The URA has earmarked \$1.4 million specifically for the project. The contract is between the City of Twin Falls and the contractor. The URA will reimburse the City from bond proceeds.

-Completion of proposed project

City Engineer Fields stated that the project is anticipated to be complete by mid-September.

Dave Thibault, EHM Engineers, stated the contract has a completion date of November 1, 2013, but the advertisement period was extended by two weeks; therefore, he expects a request from the contractor to extend the completion date by two weeks. The intention is to complete all the road widening work prior to the beet hauling season and the truck traffic that is anticipated with the harvest.

-Current status with ITD

City Engineer Fields stated that the City is in negotiations with ITD. Data is currently being reviewed to see if the signal is warranted.

MOTION:

Councilperson Barigar made a motion to approve a contract for the construction of widening on US-30 intersection between Hankins Road and Champlain Road for a potential signal for the amount not to exceed \$727,907.80, to ALTA Construction. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Talkington and roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

-Signal at Fillmore and North College

City Engineer Fields stated that she anticipates the signal at North College and Fillmore will be completed this season.

3. Update on the Twin Falls Police Department's efforts to curb the use of unsafe, illegal fireworks in the City of Twin Falls.

Captain Barnhart gave the presentation.

Council discussion followed.

-Citizen feedback

-Areas illegal fireworks are purchased

-Permitted regulations of illegal fireworks.

-Overtime costs

Captain Barnhart stated that some citizens were upset receiving tickets for unsafe fireworks but stated they were aware that they may be fined for illegal fireworks.

Captain Barnhart stated that public displays are permitted for unsafe fireworks and he will report back to the Council the permitting process for illegal fireworks.

Councilperson Munn stated that the Fire Chief is involved in the permitting of the CSI fireworks.

4. Continued discussion of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for the upcoming 2013-2014 fiscal year.

City Manager Rothweiler gave a PowerPoint presentation. He presented the following:

Government Funds
Total Government Fund Revenues
Property Taxes City of Twin Falls Tax Rate since FY 2004
Total Property Tax Revenues Collected Since FY 2008
How does our tax rate compare with like-size cities in Idaho?
City Property Taxes Paid on Median Home Value in Like-Sized Cities
How much more will I pay in property taxes next year?
Other Significant Revenue Resources
Building Permit Revenues
-A Glance at Other "Significant" Revenue Sources
Government Funds Personnel Costs
Comparison of Budgeted Total FTE's Since FY 2008
New Personnel Positions
Personnel Adjustments
-Operational Cost
Comparison of Total M & O Budgets since FY 2008
-Capital Expenses

Comparison of Total Capital Budgets since FY 2008
Capital Projects
-General Fund Capital Projects for:
City Manager's Office
Human Resources
Information Systems Administration
Police Department
Fire Department
Parks Department
Recreation
Pool
Golf Course
Street Fund
Street Light Fund
Airport Fund
Airport Construction Fund
Library Fund
Use of Cash Reserves

Council discussion followed:

- Increase of health premiums
- New positions and new position upgrades
- Crime rates
- Cyber crime

Chief Pike explained that crime rates in the past ten years have decreased 31% and calls for service have declined slightly. The complexity of the calls the officers are dealing with today versus ten years ago requires more of the officers' time. Currently there are 68 sworn officers for a population of 44,000, a ratio of 1.5 officers per 1,000. Factoring an influx in the population of 60,000, the ratio drops the average to 1.1 officers per 1,000. This affects the level of service provided to the citizens of Twin Falls. Samples of the complexity of calls received are mental health issues. Region IV is a resource for providing training to officers.

Councilperson Mills Sojka requested the SUV purchase costs, operating costs, effectiveness and efficiencies.

Councilperson Hawkins stated that she would like to the City's parks conform to the City's paving standards prior to funding a community garden.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that staff has discussed the rules and guidelines of the paving standards and have identified three areas that need immediate attention. This would include the Oregon Trail facility, Harmon Park area, and the Twin Falls Golf Course. Staff will request money budgeted for the Auger Falls project is used to make improvements at the three locations.

- Bike trail
- Funds for trail connectivity
- Auger Falls Trails Project

City Manager Rothweiler explained that there is community interest in participating in the development of the trail system. \$110,000 is allocated in this year's budget for Auger Falls. It is anticipated that \$70,000 may be used for parking lots. The remaining \$40,000 would remain in place for a planning process involving community groups to re-evaluate work that was done in 2007 and 2008, to assure the plan and direction recommended then is still supported by the community.

City Manager Rothweiler continued discussion on YMCA contract and the Twin Falls Golf Club.

- Replacement of tables and chairs at the golf course

Parks & Recreation Director Bowyer explained his estimate for tables and chairs for the golf course.

- Eastland South request for funds adjusted from \$1 million to \$500,000

City Engineer Fields stated there is money in the current FY for the Eastland South project and staff will be proposing money in the next FY. The hope is to combine the funds and to bid a job that is close to \$1.2 million. This will address the main line and off site work.

- ADA LED on Pole Line West from Blue Lakes to the Grandview

City Engineer Fields stated that the conversion entails replacing only the bulb. Lights between Falls Avenue West and Grandview Drive West are LED.

- Airport
- Airport Manager Vehicle
- Restroom Study
- Animal Control
- People for Pets

The City Council will meet on July 29, 2013.

5. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.

Public Input

Helen Brown, Golf Advisory Board Member, asked for Council to consider the purchase of chairs and tables at the Golf Club.

Wayne Frantz, Sherry Lane, spoke on the enforcement of the new fireworks ordinance. He stated that bans will never work and believes the Police Department should utilize manpower elsewhere.

Virginia Undhjem, 789 Alturas Drive North, asked for Council to consider the purchase of chairs and tables at the Golf Club for safety reasons.

Teena Thompson, 486 Sophomore, spoke in favor of the purchase of tables and chairs for the Golf Club.

- Liability for any injuries that occur at public parks

City Attorney Wonderlich explained the recreation immunity statute in Idaho.

City Council Input

Vice Mayor Hall asked to discuss Councilmembers acting as liaisons to the Planning & Zoning Commission. His concern regarded the liaisons being present for P & Z hearings and receiving information outside of the Council hearing on items where the Council is acting in a quasi-judicial role. He indicated that the Planning & Zoning liaisons may be impacted by the Planning & Zoning hearing and that other Councilmembers do not have the same opportunity to receive that input.

Council discussion followed.

Council directed staff to place the topic on the next Council agenda and to invite Zoning Development Manager Renee' Carraway and Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Tom Frank.

III. ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilperson Mills Sojka reported that Council Hours will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2013, in the City Council Chambers, between 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Councilperson Barigar reported that First Federal Bank's ground breaking will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 p.m. – None

V. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Leila A. Sanchez
Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary