

MINUTES OF THE HUNTSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, August 19th, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Huntsville Town Hall

Present: Mayor James A. Truett
Council Member Max Ferre'
Council Member Richard Sorensen (Via Conference Call)
Council Member Steve Johnson
Council Member Alan Clapperton
Clerk/Recorder, Gail Ahlstrom
Legal Council Jerald Engstrom

Citizens: Doug Allen Suzanne Ferre' Gloria Froerer
Ron Gault Nancy Patton Hazel Linke
Don Linke Gloria Froerer Steve Clarke
Kelly Van Otten Cheryl Fisher LT. Phil Howell (WCSO)
Ray Bestoldi Tom Gompert Jeff Peeler
Pastor Terry Madigan

Mayor Truett called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. There is a full quorum present tonight.

The pledge was led by LT. Howell.

Opening Ceremony was led by Steve Clarke.

Gloria Froerer and Steve Clarke, Community Foundation of Ogden Valley: (See Attachment #1)

Gloria Froerer approached the council and passed out a packet of information in regards to the new Community Foundation of the Ogden Valley. Gloria explained that the Ogden Valley Pathways was dissolved and went back to the W.C. Pathways, with the promise that they would start focusing on the pathways in the valley. Instead of giving up their 501 (3) designation they developed the Community Foundation of Ogden Valley. It is patterned after Jackson Hole's, which is extremely successful. Steve Clarke also approached the council. Steve extended an invitation for the town council to participate in the community foundation. This foundation is focused on recreation. The town has a beautiful park, which qualifies the town to participate. The invitation is for the town to become a nonprofit partner in the foundation. The promise is to support the community, improve the lives of everyone who cares about the Ogden Valley. Their goals are to increase philanthropy in the valley, make grants that positively impact the community, and offer advice as to how the foundation will spend its money. The initial focus for this foundation is all areas of recreation. This new foundation is a 501 (C) 3, commits them to work with the community with fundraising throughout the year. Outstanding donor services are necessary for the foundation to be successful. They will have competitive grants, where people can submit applications, which will be evaluated by the board and awarded. They will also provide matching donations.

Mayor Truett asked if they would help with memorials, like a veteran's memorial. Steve replied that they hope to be able to things like that. They are looking for more board members especially people who have legal skills and could advise and contribute to the foundation. Steve summarized by saying the nonprofit foundation benefits are: matching donations, grants, pass through donation services, unifying philanthropic giving, community event planning, startup training, and nonprofit promotion to donors.

Steve extended the invitation for the town to work with them. Mayor Truett asked if the town had a desire to partner could the town have a representative on the board. Gloria replied that most of the people on the board are from Eden and Liberty; she felt that having another person from Huntsville on the board was a good idea. Steve invited the mayor and his wife to come to a kick off dinner they are holding on October 23. Suzanne Ferre' asked if the GEM committee is still in existence and is it a part of this foundation. Steve replied that the GEM committee is still around and that there are a few members from the GEM committee that sit on the Community Foundation board as well, but the two are not linked. Mayor Truett thanked Steve and Gloria for including the town and will give them a final decision at a later time.

Cheryl Fisher: Cancer Awareness Ride:

Cheryl Fisher approached the council and presented a traffic plan for their breast cancer motorcycle ride. They plan to come down First Street, turn onto 7400 E., and park on 200 S. They would like to use the east pavilion. They plan to leave SLC at 11:30, and get to Huntsville around 1:00 to have lunch, do a presentation, a balloon launch, clean up and leave. There could be 200 participants. Mayor Truett asked if they would be willing to give the town a \$200 refundable cleaning deposit. CM Sorensen asked how much of their fundraising goes to the Susan G. Coleman Foundation for breast cancer; Cheryl replied 70-80% of the proceeds. The council approved their request to use the east bowery for their Ride for the Cure event.

Presentation on school property:

Mayor Truett reported that Nancy Patton showed a power point presentation to the TC and PC in a joint work session tonight at 6 pm. Mayor Truett asked the council how they felt about the concept that was presented. The presented idea was for a performing art center, it would seat about 200 people. There would be dinner and then a musical performance. Mayor Truett would like to see some type of civic center put on the old school property. Mayor Truett stated that he spoke with Pastor Terry Madigan the other day, and he mentioned that the Ogden Valley Community Church has outgrown their building and would be interested in purchasing a section of the school property. Pastor Madigan thought if the town could build a civic center then his church could use that facility for their services. The Mayor likes the idea of working together.

The next step will be to see what the school board decides in their meeting on Aug 31st. The Mayor explained that council thought there was more time to work out a deal with the property, but the school board says they have had someone approach them that wants to purchase the land, and they seem anxious to sell it now. So the Mayor went to Zion's bank and got the town preapproved for a low interest loan. Mayor Truett likes the concept Nancy presented. Nancy has put in over 500 hours of research into this project, and is anxious to get moving on it. The zoning on the property will need to be changed.

Mayor Truett brought up the possibility of Nancy leasing property from the town for the Performing Art Center. Nancy replied that she and her husband aren't interested in leasing; they want to stay here and make a difference in the community. Mr. Engstrom stated that the current council couldn't bind a future council with a lease. CM Clapperton asked Mr. Engstrom for further clarification, if the current council can't bind a future council, what happens if the current council takes out a loan to purchase the school property. Mr. Engstrom replied that the council can purchase something with a loan, but they can't promise to lease.

***Mayor Truett:**

Update on AL&L toll:

Mayor Truett reported that Ramona made contact with AL&L and the number they gave her was \$12,000; since the town negotiated the contract with AL&L. CM Clapperton said he isn't disappointed with that amount. The tollbooth shuts down after Labor Day. The town made a small net profit on the tollbooth initially.

Discussion on Appreciation BBQ:

Mayor Truett stated that the First Annual Appreciation BBQ will be held on August 28th. He dropped invitations off at the sheriff's department in Ogden, and at the two fire stations in the valley. The BBQ will begin at 6:30 pm, in the west bowery. Texas Pride will cater the event. There will be popcorn and cotton candy and a movie in the park. This BBQ is to thank the deputies and fireman and their families for all they do for our community.

Reminder for WACOG Raptor's event:

Mayor Truett reminded the council members about the WACOG Raptor's baseball game event. It's on September 9th at 5:30, with a buffet dinner and ball game.

***Council Member Ferre':**

Department Reports:

CM Ferre' reported that Wayne Hadley mentioned that there are kids in the park after 10 PM. There has been some vandalism in town. Wayne followed the kids, he thinks its town kids causing the problems.

***Council Member Clapperton:**

Department Report:

CM Clapperton had nothing to report.

***Council Member Johnson:**

Discussion and/or action on proposed Resolution to adopt Building Codes:

CM Johnson made a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution for 2009 building codes as presented. CM Clapperton seconded. All votes aye. Motion passed.

Roll Call:	Mayor Truett	<u>Yea</u>	CM Ferre'	<u>Yea</u>
	CM Sorensen	<u>Yea</u>	CM Johnson	<u>Yea</u>
	CM Clapperton	<u>Yea</u>		

Department Reports:

CM Johnson reported on the final 4th of July revenue, the expenses were approx. \$25,000, income was \$44,000, the profit was approx. \$19,000.00. CM Johnson mentioned that he just got a call from the Rengstrom's, the Civil War group that marches in the parade and shoots their guns. They asked where their money was for marching in the parade. CM Sorensen said that a few years ago they mentioned to him that the cost of blanks has been going up. CM Johnson can't remember paying them last year. They are asking for \$200.00. The breakfast cleared \$7,600 as compared with \$10,000 last year, due to the 4th being celebrated on the 3rd. CM Sorensen remarked that CM Johnson did a great job again this year. Mayor Truett mentioned that he really enjoyed the flag rising and lowering ceremony, they were amazing.

CM Johnson reported that they are close to having enough money to get bids from sculptors for the Veterans Memorial at the cemetery. Miniature clay replicas will really help spur the fundraising efforts.

Mayor Truett reported that the new area of the cemetery is almost completed. The brass markers still need to be placed before any plots can be sold. It looks really nice.

***Council Member Sorensen: (via conference call)**

Department Reports:

CM Sorensen had nothing to report.

Citizens Comments:

LT. Howell mentioned that he emailed the council the WCSO July stats. The numbers are consistence with other months, citations and calls for service are both down. CM Clapperton mentioned that revenue from the court is way down as well.

New Business:

Mayor Truett asked Mr. Engstrom to look into what the town would need to facilitate a court in the town hall. The town is working out an agreement with the Roy JP Court to create an Ogden Valley JP Court here in Huntsville. The judge has to sit 6 inches higher than ground level, and there has to be seating for a jury. Mr. Engstrom stated that no metal detector or separate exit for the judge is required. There has to be a bailiff. The prosecuting attorney will be Bill Danes, Ramona Clapperton will be the court clerk, and Scott Waterfall will be the judge. Mayor Truett would like to be ready to implement the court in Huntsville by the 1st of January.

Approval of Town Council Minutes for meeting held August 5th, 2010:

CM Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Council meeting held August 5th, as prepared. CM Ferre' seconded. Minutes were approved.

Mayor Truett mentioned that all items on the agenda have been addressed. CM Clapperton made a motion to adjourn. CM Johnson seconded. All votes aye.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Gail Ahlstrom, Clerk/Recorder

James A. Truett, Mayor

