

AMERICAN FORK CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 2010

SPECIAL SESSION

The American Fork City Council met in a special session on Tuesday, June 15, 2010, in the City Hall, 31 North Church Street, commencing at 7:01 p.m. Those present included Mayor James H. Hadfield, and Councilmembers Sherry Kramer, Heidi Rodeback, Dale Gunther, and Rick Storrs. Councilman LeBaron was excused.

Staff present: Chief of Staff Melanie Marsh
City Recorder Richard Colborn
Finance Director Cathy Jensen
Fire Chief Kriss Garcia

Also present: Glenda Ferran, Kristin Kmetzsch, Nan Kuhn, Jean Abram, Mr. & Mrs. Davis Knight, Barbara Christiansen, and two additional persons.

Mayor Hadfield led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Gunther offered a prayer.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2010 STEEL DAYS GRAND MARSHAL – *Councilman Storrs*

This item was postponed until later in the meeting.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011 – *Cathy Jensen*

Mayor Hadfield noted that a public hearing on the budget was held on June 8, 2010. He asked if there was any further discussion on the budget.

Councilmember Rodeback thought it to be a good budget and was impressed that they could hold the line and not increase taxes or lay off personnel. The City has had to tighten its belt in some places and was pleased that they could continue into the next year.

Councilman Storrs complimented the staff and all the department heads for tightening their belts and coming up with a good budget. They expected more out of the employees and they have stepped up to the plate.

Mayor Hadfield commented that over the past several weeks he has had every department head in his office at one time or another explaining how difficult it would be with this budget but they committed to follow as close as they could to the budget.

Councilman Gunther moved to adopt Resolution No. 2010-06-16R approving the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 City budget. Councilman Gunther commented that part of this budget was the deferral of some capital improvements. He reminded all that those did not go away but they stacked up. They could not hold things off forever.

Councilmember Rodeback seconded the motion and the comment. All were in favor.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON INSTRUCTION TO THE AMERICAN FORK
METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT REGARDING A FUNDING OPTION – *Mayor
Hadfield*

Mayor Hadfield reminded the Council that the Metropolitan Water District had met with them regarding some funding options and at that time the Council leaned toward increasing that utility from \$5.00 to \$6.50. He asked the Council if that was still the way to go.

Councilman Storrs felt it was something they had to do.

Councilmember Rodeback asked if there was any way it could be postponed one year because they had to increase sewer rates because of the increase from Timpanogos Special Service District.

Mayor Hadfield added that the first assessment on the piping came due in June of next year.

Councilman Storrs moved to add \$1.50 to that utility. Councilman Gunther seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2010 STEEL DAYS GRAND MARSHAL – *Councilman Storrs*

Steel Days Committee Chair Nan Kuhn introduced the Steel Days Committee members that were present including Glenda Ferran, Jean Abram, and Kristin Kmetzsch.

Ms. Kuhn reported that the committee reviewed the Grand Marshal nominations and has chosen an individual who has dedicated many years to the American Fork High School and to the youth of the community. She announced that the 2010 Steel Days Grand Marshal would be Coach Davis Knight. There was general applause.

Coach Knight came forward and was recognized with the presentation of a plaque to commemorate the event. He commented that this was an honor. When he met with Alpine District Superintendent Dan Peterson in 1967 about a job at the high school he was told that it was important for him to get a home here and live here and to get involved and that the community expected that in having such an important position as a high school teacher. He took him at his word and he could not have been at a better place. This was a special community. Even though his roots ran deep he learned something new about the community all the time. He commended the Council for building the personality of the community.

Coach Knight continued that he was told that Mayor Hadfield had invited him to this meeting. Mayor Hadfield was a pretty important Non-Commissioned Officer in the 1457 Engineer Battalion and when Coach Knight first moved in he did what he was told. He respected him as a Non-Commissioned Officer at the time and when he became an Officer. He respected him then and now and he respected those that worked in this community. He shook hands with the Council.

Mayor Hadfield expressed that Coach Knight was an important part of the community and had impacted nearly every young man that went through the high school sports program.

Mayor Hadfield thanked the Council, public, and staff for the budget. It was a challenge to take ten percent off the previous budget. Some improvements were put on hold that would have to be done later. The staff has bought into the budget and he was sure that the City would be much better off a year from now. The City paid off Woodbury Corporation for their improvements at The Meadows. That was not to have been done until November 2011.

Mayor Hadfield asked the Council to think about the timing as to installation of public improvements. This was a subject that has been discussed often over the past weeks. He asked them to look at 400 East and 500 East State where there was no curb and gutter and let him know as to their feelings as to where to draw the line.

Mayor Hadfield reported that once again a business license has been requested at the old Barratt Builders. He was not comfortable to waive requirements and this would be discussed at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Storrs moved adjournment at 7:17 p.m. Councilmember Kramer seconded the motion. All were in favor.



Richard M. Colborn
City Recorder