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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GRANTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL, HELD ON JULY 17, 2013 AT THE GRANTSVILLE CITY HALL, 429 EAST MAIN STREET, GRANTSVILLE, UTAH. THE MEETING BEGAN AT 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**Mayor and Council Members Present:** Mayor Brent Marshall and Council Members Mike Johnson, Tom Tripp, Scott Stice, and Neil Critchlow. Councilman Mike Colson was excused.

**Appointed Officers and Employees Present:** Christine Webb.

**Citizens and Guests Present:** Gerald Hill, Kent Liddiard, Lisa Christensen and Jared Hamner.

Mayor Marshall led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA:**

**1. Summary Action Items:**

- a. Approval of Minutes from June 19, 2013 City Council Meeting.
- b. Approval of Bills in the sum of \$243,616.47.
- c. Personnel Matters (none).

Councilman Critchlow asked about a charge for training for Chad Jenkins. Mayor Marshall explained the training is for certification for the Red Cross and Mr. Jenkins then does CPR training for the Police Department, the Fire Department, some of the schools and job sites. The Mayor stated the certification fees collected come back to the City.

**Motion:** Councilman Tripp made a motion to approve the summary action items. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**2. Report on the Fourth of July Celebration.**

Mayor Marshall stated the minutes from the critiquing meeting of the Fourth of July Celebration were provided for the Council's review. Councilman Stice inquired about a few things in the minutes for clarification as he was not in attendance. Councilman Critchlow asked about the lighting of the three-on-three basketball. Mayor Marshall reported one of the lights had a dead battery but they were able to get it working.

Mayor Marshall asked if the Councilmen had anything to add. Councilman Johnson stated all comments he received were positive. Councilman Tripp reported he had walked around the park and taken comments from about thirty people and received overwhelmingly positive comments. Councilman Critchlow received many good comments as well.

**3. Consideration of Ordinance 2013-15 amending Title 15 Chapter 3 Special Events to update the fee schedule to include fees associated with the use of City owned recreational area being used since the original adoption of this chapter.**

Mayor Marshall explained when the Special Events Fee schedule was adopted the J. Reuben Clark Farm was not being used. This ordinance will adopt a fee schedule for use at the J. Reuben Clark Farm. The Council discussed adding the cook shack at the baseball field to the fee schedule. The Mayor will have the cook shacks added.

Councilman Critchlow inquired who checks for damages. Mayor Marshall said either the maintenance crew or the Building Inspector. Councilman Critchlow expressed concerns about damages and how it is determined who is responsible for them. He stated the fees collected should be put in the Parks and Recreation Budget. Councilman Tripp pointed out the budget for Parks and Rec is \$355,000 and asked how much is expected to be generated by the fees collected from the parks. He felt like it would not be very much. Councilman Critchlow said the money could be used to purchase new picnic tables. He felt the money should be used to improve the parks. The Mayor and Council stated no money is collected from the youth baseball, soccer or tennis associations for use of the ball fields or tennis courts. They declared they would like to keep it that way.

Mayor Marshall explained a deposit fee is collected when someone reserves a recreational area. Once it is determined there is no damage or clean up required part of the deposit is returned and the rest is collected as a fee for use of the area. Councilman Critchlow asked if they leave it in the same condition it came in why the City doesn't return the full amount. He stated fees are just taxes in his opinion. Mayor Marshall commented they are user's fees. Councilman Tripp explained if he wanted to go use a pavilion, he could use it any time as long as it was not in use already and not pay anything. If he had an event planned where he wanted to have it reserved for his group, he would be paying to have exclusive use of the pavilion.

**Motion:** Councilman Tripp made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-15 with the amendment that we include the snack shack at the ballpark facility with a fee equivalent to the cook shack which is \$150 deposit and \$75 fee. Councilman Stice seconded the motion.

Mayor Marshall asked if there were any further comments. Councilman Critchlow declared he feels we are charging fees on things that he disagrees with. He commented he has received a complaint. Mayor Marshall stated the fees have always been charged on the park. Councilman Johnson said he has been here for six years and he has never received a complaint about the fees. He felt charging fees is better than raising taxes. Councilman Stice replied other cities charge for the use of their parks and people use them all the time. It gives people incentive to take care of the parks. Mayor Marshall invited the individual to come in and appeal the fee. Councilman Critchlow asked what incentive people have to clean up. He was told by doing so they will get half of the deposit back.

**Motion:** Councilman Stice made a motion to amend the current motion to add that any fees collected go into a parks and recreation account. Councilman Johnson seconded the amendment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Motion:** Councilman Tripp made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-15 with the amendment that we include the snack shack at the ballpark facility with a fee equivalent to the cook shack which is \$150 deposit and \$75 fee with the amendment to add any fees collected be placed in a parks and recreation fund. Councilman Stice seconded the motion. Councilman Stice, Councilman Tripp and Councilman

Johnson voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Critchlow voted against the motion. The motion carried.

#### **4. Mayor and Council Reports.**

Mayor Marshall attended the procurement meeting with the City department heads. He attended the change of commands at the military depots. He reported on the work on the well that provides water to the Complex and Miller Motorsports Park. The pump will be replaced tomorrow. Mayor Marshall provided the Council with information regarding the power bill for the City. A company is looking to build a bio power plant. The Mayor stated we pay by the kilowatt on some of the street lights. We could buy power for the City and pay for the transfer and potentially save significant money. Mayor Marshall asked if the Council wants him to talk with the people looking to develop the bio plant. The Councilmen asked what type of bio plant and Mayor Marshall explained it would burn garbage to generate power. Councilman Johnson stated the saving on tipping fees might be worth it. This will be offered to Tooele County and Tooele City as well. The Council felt it would be worth talking to them. Mayor Marshall gave the Council a letter from UTA reporting what is taking place and a letter from Ace showing the increase they will be charging for waste disposal. Councilman Critchlow asked how the recycling program is working. Someone claimed they watched the truck empty the brown garbage can and then pick up the blue can and dump it in. Mayor Marshall stated he will follow the trucks beginning Monday because the City asked Ace and they said there will be a separate truck picking up the recycling. Mayor Marshall provided a copy of a letter asking the Council to donate to the Miss Tooele County Pageant. The Council determined they would consider it during next year's budget sessions. The Mayor gave a copy of the Special Events Permit Application for The FBLA Taste of Grantsville to the Council for review. The FBLA asked the Council to consider waiving the fees for this event.

**Motion:** Councilman Critchlow made motion to waive the fees. Councilman Stice seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Marshall provided copies of the Clark Farm Special Event Permit Applications for the activities planned. Mayor Marshall stated he had asked the Friends of the Clark Farm to not use the power from the house. He said he had people ask that the movie not go later than 10:00 p.m. Councilman Johnson asked if there were fees for these events that were needed to be waived. The Mayor explained the events were level 1 or level 2 and so did not have fees. Mayor Marshall reported the applications were incomplete and Susan Johnsen stated she would come in to City Hall tomorrow.

Councilman Stice said he had been out of the country for the last two weeks in Hong Kong. He said he rode more buses and rails than he ever wants to do again. He found it interesting there was the letter regarding UTA at this meeting. Councilman Stice stated he saw firsthand how well buses and rails work.

Councilman Critchlow reported on the Planning and Zoning Meeting. Todd Castagno brought his plan to the Commission and they voted to change the master plan and to approve his subdivision with the amendments. Scott Liddiard's Hawker subdivision was approved.

Councilman Tripp stated he went through the end of year budget. He reported on his findings. He asked if we have audited the increase seen collected by the warrant officer. Mayor Marshall said he will

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get a report on the money collected for the Council. Councilman Tripp stated at his place of employment they have a drinking water system which is regulated by the State. They received a letter saying the State is going to start issuing a fee to drinking water systems, both public and private, to cover their efforts of clerking to keep track of drinking water systems.

Councilman Johnson reported Joel and Shauna Kertamus lost a grandson. He asked everyone to please be sensitive.

Susan Johnsen with the Friends of the Clark Farm addressed the Council. She stated the events held at the Farm were a huge success and they have had positive feedback. Ms. Johnsen reported they have had many clubs attend their meetings and volunteer to help with events. They are working on grants, one from Zion's Bank which they were asked by Zion's Bank to apply for. They would like to talk to the Council to negotiate a lease for the Farm. She reported they have discussed the electricity and improving some of those things. She stated they would like to absorb some of the costs of improvements and add restrooms. Ms. Johnsen said they have people contact them every day to ask how they can help. They would like to make plans for next year. If they can have plans in place, then the Chamber of Commerce will publish a calendar of events for the Farm. There is a trained vocalist who wishes to do a concert at the Clark Farm as she travels along the Old Lincoln Highway.

## **5. Adjourn.**

**Motion:** Councilman Stice made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Critchlow seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.