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**MINUTES OF THE SPRINGDALE TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2014
AT 5:00 P.M. AT SPRINGDALE TOWN HALL, 118 LION BLVD., SPRINGDALE, UTAH.**

Mayor pro-tem Mark Chambers called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Stanley J. Smith was connected to the meeting by telephone.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Mark Chambers, Mayor Stanley J. Smith (via telephone), Councilmembers Kathy LaFave, Adrian Player and Bill Weyher

ALSO PRESENT: Town Manager Rick Wixom, Town Treasurer Dawn Sanders and Town Clerk Fay Cope, recording. Four citizens signed in; see attached list.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Adrian Player to approve the agenda, seconded by Kathy LaFave:
Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/Information/Non-action Items

General discussion & announcements:

- Kathy LaFave announced she would be resigning soon from the town Council for medical reasons, but not until the Mayor's return from Europe. She explained she was not recovering as quickly and completely from her second bout with cancer as she had expected and was facing additional surgeries in the near future. She wasn't sure she would be able to fulfill her Council responsibilities. Mark Chambers said that was sad news. It had been an honor to serve with her. She had made Springdale a better place through her service and commitment. She was a huge asset to the town, not just as a council member but in all the ways she volunteered her service. She would be missed on the Council.
- Mr. Chambers announced the Fourth of July events: Lions Club Breakfast from 7-9AM at the Elementary School lawn, the parade at 9:30AM and events in the afternoon as advertised and posted on the town website.

Action items – Administrative

Budget Hearing: Resolution 2014-05 Opening and Amending the Budget for FY2013-14:

- Mr. Wixom explained this would be the last amendment to the budget for this year. He always tried to schedule this hearing as late in June as possible. He explained this budget was a record of what they had done all year. It was a summation, not a beginning point.
- The year ended strongly. The general fund revenues exceeded the budget by \$376,000.
- All the funds were in good shape except the irrigation fund. The manhole project and additional maintenance had hit that fund hard. In the upcoming year, a transfer from the sewer fund was budgeted; the irrigation company would also be contributing to those costs.
- The enterprise funds showed fairly large 'negative revenues' in the penalty accounts because of the delinquent accounts the council had approved for write-off at the auditors' behest.
- Mr. Wixom said this budget was 9/10th the work of Ms. Wallace. He thanked her for her work.

Motion to open budget hearing by Kathy LaFave, seconded by Adrian Player:

Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Dan Mabbutt asked Mr. Wixom to recap the significant numbers for his recording so he got the facts right. Mr. Wixom said he would give him a copy of the budget. The council reminded them the resolution and budget were already available on the town website.

Motion to close budget hearing by Kathy LaFave, seconded by Bill Weyher:

Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kathy LaFave to approve resolution 2014-05 opening and amending the budget for FY year 2013-14, seconded by Adrian Player:

Chambers: Ay

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Donation to the Rockville Springdale Fire Protection District for purchase of equipment:

- The Mayor explained the Council was aware the District was in need of turn-out gear and equipment for the firefighters. He suggested the Council donate funds for the purchase of that equipment. He wasn't sure whether the town should buy the equipment or reimburse the District.
- Ms. LaFave said she was very in favor of this donation. The Town's revenues had exceeded budget this year, so funds were available and the 2014-15 budget could be amended. Until hearing the report Michael Plyler had made to the Council, she he had not comprehended the District's circumstances, and she felt some regret that she had supported reducing the amount the Town contributed from the TRT. She was very concerned that fire fighters were not adequately equipped. She suggested contributing \$60,000 to up to \$70,000 toward purchase of fire equipment and gear; the District should submit receipts for the equipment. She also thought the Town should reconsider the TRT contribution in the future. She would hate to rely on the Hurricane Fire District to protect Springdale and Rockville.
- The Mayor said he had asked the District to provide a list of their most significant needs. They had provided a list totaling \$60, 887.71.
- Adrian Player also agreed with the donation; he thought the Town should contribute exactly what was requested. He thought the District needed to raise their stand-by fees and become a self-supporting entity. The District had begun that process. He thought the District should order the equipment and the town should pay the invoices. He understood a budget change would be needed.
- Mr. Wixom explained the Town was on a fiscal year and the District was on a calendar year budget. There was time for the budget amendment.
- Bill Weyher said the safety of the firefighters was paramount. He supported the donation.
- Mark Chambers approved of a contribution this year; any consideration of future donations should depend on how the District's new fee structure met the District's needs. He didn't think this should be a commitment for the Town to support the District 'till the end of time.' He hoped Rockville Town would also show some financial support – even if only the amount of minor fees they charged the District.

Motion by Kathy LaFave to direct the staff to amend the 2014-15 budget to include \$60,887.71 in financial aid and support of the RSFPD toward the purchase of equipment. The district would submit invoices for the Town to pay directly.

Seconded by Adrian Player:

Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2014-05 Prohibiting open fires and the use of fireworks within the Town of Springdale during the 2014 fire season:

- Mr. Wixom reviewed U.C.A Sections 53-7-220 through 53-7-225 and U.C.A. Sections 10-8-56 and 10-8-84 granting municipalities the right to prohibit or regulate certain fireworks, combustibles and open fires. The Fire Marshal had provided a letter outlining the severe fire risks. This ordinance was nearly identical to the ordinance passed last year. Class C fireworks and most outdoor fires would be prohibited from this day forward to Sept 15. There were exceptions for LPG gas and propane gas stoves and BBQs and fires in approved firepits.
- Ms. LaFave said she thought all open fires in all open pits should be banned. Only propane grills or charcoal briquettes should be allowed. The fire conditions were worse this year than they had ever been. Catastrophic fires were predicted in the region.
- Mr. Player asked if they would 'run into trouble' with the commercial campground. Ms. LaFave said she thought that was a possibility, also with those who sold firewood, but the Council was authorized by the State to create regulations and the situation was dire. Fire danger was beyond severe and the Fire District was understaffed for fighting fires.

Motion by Kathy LaFave to adopt 2014-05 with the following amendment: The only open flames permitted were those in LPG gas/natural gas stoves or BBQs and charcoal briquettes in contained BBQ grills and other covered stoves and devices (i.e. Coleman stoves or Weber or other BBQ grills.) Completely banned: all fires in open firepits. Seconded by Adrian Player:

Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn: Motion by Kathy LaFave to adjourn at 5:27pm, seconded by Adrian Player:

Chambers: Aye

LaFave: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.



Town Clerk, Fay Cope

APPROVED _____


