

1 **PROVIDENCE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

2 **April 28, 2009**

3 **Providence City Office Building**

4 **15 South Main Providence, UT**

5

6	Call to order:	Mayor Simmons
7	Roll Call of City Council Members:	Mayor Simmons
8	Attendance:	D Astle, K Baker, J Russell, D Low, R Liechty
9	Excused:	
10	Pledge of Allegiance:	D Low

11
12 **Approval of the minutes for March 24, 2009 City Council Meeting:**

13 **Motion to approve the minutes from March 24, 2009: R Liechty, K Baker second**

14 Property acquisition – Jay remembered it to be 85,000.

15 K Baker and R Liechty listened to the tape it was definitely \$75,000. Added to line 36.

16 Pg 3 – Line 32 – in charge of the contract.

17 Pg 2 – pays \$15,000 of the wage for the first 3 years, City committed to the 4th year.

18 Pg 1 – Line 52 –be for not registering their dogs.

19 **Vote: Yea: K Baker, D Astle, J Russell, D Low, R Liechty**

20 **Nay: None**

21 **Abstain: None**

22 **Excused: None**

23
24 **Proclamation:**

25 **Municipal Clerks Week, May 3rd through May 9, 2009.**

26 S Bankhead said the Clerks Association asked the Cities and Towns to proclaim the week of May 3 – 9, 2009 as Municipal
27 Clerks Week.

28 **Motion to approve: D Astle, R Liechty second**

29 **Vote: Yea: K Baker, D Astle, J Russell, D Low, R Liechty**

30 **Nay: None**

31 **Abstain: None**

32 **Excused: None**

33
34 **Public Comments:**

35 None

36
37 **Public Hearing (6:30 pm):**

38 **The Providence City Council will hold a public hearing to receive comment to amend the 2009 Budgets for all funds.**

39 **Motion to open the public hearing: R Liechty, K Baker second**

40 S Bankhead said we are just asking to amend the general fund. A RAPZ tax was given to the City in 2007 for the amount of
41 \$45,000. She is asking that \$25,000 is brought up to start the Providence Canyon trail. The City’s baseball and softball
42 programs brought in \$13,590 in baseball and \$29,049 in softball. We would like to incorporate the revenue that we have
43 received and be allowed to use these monies for equipment, liability insurance, fees and uniforms. The City doesn’t make any
44 money off of the recreation programs.

45 Sharell Eames asked what the \$25,000 is paying for.

46 S Bankhead said it pays for the first mile of the trail. It will be a natural trail. It will start at the mouth of the canyon and go
47 east up the canyon. There is \$45,000 total to pay for the trail. The Utah State University Utah Conservation Corps and the
48 Forest Service will do the first part of the trail. It is being built to Forest Service specs. No RAPZ was applied for in 2008
49 because the City hadn’t used the 2006-2007 money.

50 J Russell asked if the increased revenue would cover the baseball and softball program cost.

51 S Bankhead said that it doesn’t cover the cost of the field maintenance.

52 Leroy Barnes asked who was in charge of the trail. He is concerned about the water line going up the canyon.

53 R Simmons said the Forest Service was doing it.

54 **Motion to close the public hearing: R Liechty, D Low second**

55 **Vote: Yea: D Low, J Russell, D Astle, K Baker, R Liechty**

1 Nay: None
2 Abstain: None
3 Excused: None
4

5 **Business Items:**

6 **Item No. 1. Resolution 09-012.** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution amending the 2009
7 Providence City Budgets.

8 **Motion to approve: J Russell, D Astle second**

9 **Vote: Yea: K Baker, D Low, R Liechty, J Russell, D Astle**

10 Nay: None

11 Abstain: None

12 Excused: None
13

14 **Item No. 2. Discussion:** Friends of Providence Canyon.

15 Cancelled
16

17 **Item No. 3. Resolution 09-013:** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving lease
18 agreement between Providence City and the State of Utah, Division of Facilities Construction and Management for space for
19 use as an office for the Cache County Bookmobile repository office in the Cache County Library.

20 **Motion to approve: K Baker, D Low second**

21 D Astle said this was brought before the Council on July 15, 2008. The Council approved the lease that the attorney worked
22 on.

23 **D Astle made a motion for the lease that was approved in July be the one that is approved tonight. He also would like**
24 **to be able to get out of the lease with a 9 month out.**

25 **D Astle, R Liechty second.**

26 **Vote: Yea: D Astle, K Baker, R Liechty, D Low, J Russell**

27 Nay: None

28 Abstain: None

29 Excused: None
30

31 **Item No. 4. Resolution 09-14:** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving a Letter of
32 Agreement between Providence City and Utah State University Utah Conservation Corps to construct a single track trail for
33 approximately 1 mile at the mouth of Providence Canyon. This project begins at the mouth of Providence Canyon and
34 extends east in Providence Canyon.

35 **Motion to approve: R Liechty, D Astle, second**

36 S Bankhead said that the Forest Service works with the Conservation Corps to do their trails. S Bankhead wants it to be
37 known that this trail starts at the mouth of the Canyon and goes east into the Canyon. This has nothing to do with Spring
38 Creek Road.

39 D Astle asked what kind of tools the City would be required to supply.

40 S Bankhead said the Conservation Corps said they would bring all of the tools and equipment. She explained that this is all
41 RAPZ tax money. The Conservation Corps will give us the mile of trail and they estimate it will take 300 hours. The City
42 will maintain the trail after it is finished.

43 D Astle felt like the trail would be a good service project for the Scouts.

44 S Bankhead said the South Stake has volunteered to take care of the Canyon.

45 **Vote: Yea: D Astle, K Baker, R Liechty, D Low, J Russell**

46 Nay: None

47 Abstain: None

48 Excused: None
49

50 **Item No. 5. Resolution 09-015:** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving the Utah
51 Local Government Trust Benefit Selection Agreement.

52 **Motion to approve: K Baker, D Low second**

53 S Bankhead said this portion of the benefit is for dental and accidental dental. They are still working on our medical
54 coverage. The City pays 100% of the employee and for employees hired before 1994 they pay for their families. The
55 employee pays about 27% and the City pays 73%.

56 D Astle said that Nibley City doesn't pay Dental for their employees.

57 S Bankhead said that the Council needs to be very careful about taking benefits away from the employees. The staff is not
58 asking for an increase in salaries this year. When the budget is done if it looks like the City can't afford it S Bankhead will

1 come back to the Council. Our dental is through Guardian, our health insurance is through Altius. The City was one of the
2 first cities to take Altius so they gave the City a good rate.

3 J Russell said he would like to see the whole package together before he approves it.

4 **Motion to continue until next meeting to see what the total numbers will be: J Russell, R Liechty second**

5 **Vote: Yea: D Astle, K Baker, R Liechty, D Low, J Russell**

6 **Nay: None**

7 **Abstain: None**

8 **Excused: None**

9
10 **Item No. 6. Resolution 09-011:** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving an
11 Agreement with CRS for Construction Engineering Services for the CMPO Gateway Drive project.

12 **Motion to approve: R Liechty, K Baker second**

13 S Bankhead said this is in connection with the joint project between Logan City and Providence. There are a lot of entities
14 involved in this project. You have to select your engineering services from a list that UDOT supplies. If you don't like the bid
15 the City can go back to the list for another choice. If an additional team is needed for this project UDOT will bring one up.
16 We hope using one firm will help keep the cost down. S Bankhead said we are not allowed to haggle the price. UDOT
17 qualifies the firms so that the cities don't have to deal with it. Logan City has used this particular firm before and has been
18 happy with them. If we refuse this team and go to the next one and they are higher we can't go back to this one. Logan City
19 had 7 different firms present to Logan and Providence. The cities were allowed to talk to all of the firms. They have received
20 good marks from UDOT and communities they have worked in. This firm was the number 1 pick. D Astle said UDOT is
21 using these firms on all of their projects. If we turn this down we might end up with a lesser firm. What happens if this
22 project isn't finished by 2010?

23 S Bankhead said that they will proceed with due diligence. We don't want to have a lot of changes. We probably won't go to
24 bid until August. Once the firm is brought on they will start plan reviews.

25 R Liechty asked if we needed another team brought up would we have to pay expenses for both teams.

26 S Bankhead said she doesn't like the process but you can't do it any other way. This firm made an extremely good
27 presentation. The top firms were former UDOT employees.

28 D Astle wants them to be honest in their contracts and billings.

29 L Barnes said you can ask UDOT for a profile of what their doing.

30 **Vote: Yea: D Astle, K Baker, R Liechty, D Low, J Russell**

31 **Nay: None**

32 **Abstain: None**

33 **Excused: None**

34
35 **STAFF REPORTS:**

36 S Bankhead, T Lewis and B Munson went to the UGFOA conference. In the conference they talked about forming budget
37 committees. She would like to look into this process more. Many of the cities weren't laying off people but they are doing
38 hire freezing. Most of the cities felt like they would be giving a slight increase to their employees. Our sales tax has remained
39 fairly constant. S Bankhead and T Lewis went to the Clerks Conference. If a newly annexed portion of land is not reported
40 you can lose your sales tax from that portion. Both conferences were very beneficial.

41 The Birthday Celebration on April 20th was very nice. There was a good turnout.

42 District 7 Soccer is started. Super League Baseball has started. The people running the snack stand are very optimistic. We
43 are getting geared up for our City Celebration. Our Fun in the Sun program is getting ready to register. We will have a
44 morning and an afternoon session this summer. This is a very popular program. Staff is monitoring the City water shares.
45 Spring Creek has worked to get their laterals completely used. The wells are up and running. R Eck is at Road School this
46 week. A Chlorinator was added to the well at 400 North.

47
48 **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

49 D Astle received a request by Richard Johnson. He is building a home in River Heights but will have to pump their sewer. He
50 is requesting that he be allowed to connect to Providence City sewer. He will pay the impact fees and installation cost, etc.
51 He will also be willing to pay his utilities a year in advance.

52 L Barnes said there is a sewer line in front of Tom Baird's house. It then goes south to the main line. It is a 6" line. You could
53 make it an 8" line.

54 S Bankhead said she is nervous because R Johnson is in River Heights. The City has not addressed property in another
55 municipality that offers the service.

56 D Astle said R Johnson could ask to annex to Providence. D Astle would like for Max Pierce and Randy Eck to look into this
57 and then come and talk to the Council. R Johnson has his Dental Office here in Providence.

1 The Monument is coming along. The committee has been very successful in the fund raising. Maceys gave a \$3000 cash
2 donation and \$2000 in kind for food.
3 D Low thanked everyone who participated and came to the celebration.
4 K Harris is proposing a Providence City Royal Pageant. She would like to bring back the pageant because she feels like we
5 are the only City of this size that doesn't do one.
6 S Bankhead said the City had a Pageant like this. We had scholarships and other prizes but we could not get any interest from
7 the girls. The float would show up for parades and no one would show up to ride on it.
8 R Simmons said that more people go away from this with a sour taste in their mouth than a good one.
9 S Bankhead said our Youth Council participates in a couple of parades.
10 J Russell said he is disappointed that Providence City doesn't participate in any activities. He would like to see Providence
11 City participate somehow.
12 L Barnes said the Council could participate in parades.
13 R Simmons said that it is really hard to get anyone to participate.
14 S Bankhead said that we can work at getting the Youth Council in parades if you just want presence.
15 D Low asked if the Council wants to support the pageant.
16 L Barnes suggested that they go to the older women in the City.
17 The Council is opposed to a beauty pageant.
18 D Low talked about the ATV rules.
19 R Simmons said he has put a letter in the newsletter about the rules and he is asking the Sheriff's Department to crack down
20 on this problem.
21 D Low asked for the Council's support on June 5 - 6, 2009 for the City Celebration.
22 R Simmons said Lex Baer asked if the City would change the name of Von's Park to Baer's Park. He also offered to make a
23 monetary donation. This is an election year. Dale Astle, Kathy Baker and Randy Simmons chairs are up. Randy Simmons is
24 not running for Mayor again.
25 **Motion to adjourn: R Liechty, D Low second.**
26 **Vote: Yea: K Baker, D Astle, J Russell, D Low, R Liechty**
27 **Nay: None**
28 **Abstain: None**
29 **Excused: None**
30
31 Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
32 Minutes taken and prepared by Terri Lewis
33
34
35
36

Randy Simmons, Mayor

Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder