

Minutes of the meeting of the Logan Municipal Council convened in regular session on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the Logan Municipal Council Chambers, 290 North 100 West, Logan, Utah. Chairman Jay A. Monson conducting.

Council members present: Chairman Jay A. Monson, Holly H. Daines, Dean W. Quayle and Herm Olsen. Administration present: City Attorney Kymber Housley, Mayor Randy Watts and City Recorder Teresa Harris. Excused Councilmember Laraine Swenson.

**OPENING CEREMONY.** Citizen Gary Joy offered the opening prayer. The Logan City Fire (Engineer Josh Francis and Engineer Chad Griffin) and Logan City Police Department Honor Guard (Captain Jeff Curtis, Captain Tyson Budge and Detective Ryan Blau) led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

The Oath of Office was administered by City Recorder Teresa Harris to Mayor-elect Mayor Randy Watts, Council members-elect Dean W. Quayle and Holly H. Daines.

Chairman Monson welcomed those present. There were approximately 86 citizens in the audience at the beginning of the meeting.

**Meeting Minutes.** Minutes of the Council meeting from December 15, 2009 were reviewed and approved.

**Meeting Agenda.** The meeting agenda was approved. Chairman Monson announced at tonight's meeting there would be four public hearings regarding a proposed ordinance, proposed resolution, budget adjustment and proposed parking changes at 300 East 200-300 North & 200 North.

#### **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL.**

Logan resident Mike Gittins addressed the Council regarding landlord license issues. He feels that everything has already been covered in Utah Law and the \$25 per year fee is appropriate. He asked if there is a guarantee as a landlord that the \$25 fee will remain the same and not be increased over time.

Chairman Monson responded that later in tonight's meeting a presentation will be made regarding landlord licensing.

#### **MAYOR/ STAFF REPORTS.**

##### **Bridgerland Literacy Accreditation – Danielle Bird and Kari Shakespeare.**

Danielle Bird and Kari Shakespeare from the Bridgerland Literacy Program addressed the Council. Ms. Bird thanked Logan City for their support and announced that Logan City Bridgerland Literacy is the only literacy group that is accredited in the State of Utah. She invited everyone to participate in the Scrabble Scramble to be held on January 29, 2010 at the Haight Alumni Center at Utah State University.

**State of the City Address – Mayor Randy Watts.**

Mayor Watts read the following State of the City address at this time.

**Mayor Randy Watts  
State of the City Address  
January 5, 2010**

*While serving as mayor of Logan for the past four years, I have greatly appreciated the strong and productive working relationship between the council and my administration. During my original campaign, over four years ago, I listed eight goals that were important for the city to accomplish. With the help of the council, our executive group and the citizens, we have accomplished them all. With another four years ahead of me, I look forward to completing another list of ambitious yet practical goals with your help.*

*In summarizing the state of our city, and because “silent gratitude isn’t much worth to anyone,” I would like to give my thanks publicly for the work of our departments:*

*First of all, I am very thankful to our outstanding Finance Department - we have been wise to shore up financial strength by balancing the budget and by increasing our cash reserve over the past four years. Logan has weathered this current financial storm while avoiding major cutbacks in city services and without layoffs of city employees. At a time when entire states are on the brink of bankruptcy and municipalities across the country are struggling to provide basic services, we can be proud of the prudent spending and responsible decision making that has kept the city coffers full.*

*Many thanks go to our Human Resources department –everyday they are increasing the efficiency and value of every insurance dollar that we spend – a cost that is skyrocketing for the entire nation. By implementing an employee wellness program and focusing on the importance of preventive care we are reducing the cost of our premiums and our employees are healthier and better able to do their jobs. This department has also been instrumental in implementing my list of performance expectations for city employees – a list that includes attributes such as punctuality, cleanliness, attitude, vigilance and customer service. With a new employee handbook, everyone is aware of expectations, benefits and consequences – standardizing our employee policies and making them clear is a win for taxpayers and a win for our employees.*

*Appreciation goes to our Legal Department for handling the move into their new facilities with ease, and without disruption to their service to the community. So many of our decisions from all departments are vetted through our legal department and their guidance is invaluable in ensuring that the city is protected and that we manage our risk properly. We couldn’t responsibly govern without their constant and vigilant care.*

*I am thankful for our Community Development Department. Without them, we would not have the managed and responsible growth that we have seen over the past four years. They have been updating our building codes to ensure our citizen’s rights, to increase consistency and to make them easier to understand. We are also looking forward to their master plan for the municipal airport.*

*I am grateful for our Parks and Recreation Department. We recently received our national accreditation, which not only improves their department's operations, but makes it easier to obtain grants and funding for future projects. This department continues to be our flagship for fostering citizen involvement. This past year, community volunteers donated up to 24,823 hours to the Logan Parks and Recreation Department—which represents \$415,537.02 added value to the City.*

*I want to thank our resourceful and forward-thinking Environmental Department. They have implemented a countywide recycling program that has increased the lifespan of our current landfill, created numerous jobs at the recycle sort center, and all at a minimal cost to the citizen's of Logan. This program has been good for our economy, good for our environment and is a boon to an increasingly green-conscious business community. Looking further to the future, they are also studying the possibility of harvesting algae from Logan's lagoons to produce energy from biomass.*

*A special thanks goes to two departments that do their duties with little fanfare and whose successes we naturally take for granted. Our Public Works Department has kept our streets clear, chipped and sealed, and our water clean and on demand. While keeping daily operations running, they have also completed ambitious improvement projects including a complete overhaul of Dewitt springs, Logan's main source of fresh water, a redesign of Logan's boulevard district, 1<sup>st</sup> East improvements, and the list goes on. Our Light and Power Department is the envy of any city – with increased redundancies, they are able to provide consistent and reliable power and by increasing the number of substations and staying with the 46,000 volt system in our lines, we avoid the blight and impact caused by the towering, steel power poles used by other utility providers. And due to economies of scale, we are saving money by not going to the 138,000 volt system.*

*I am always mindful of the men and women that put themselves in harms way to keep us safe and who come to our citizens' aid when in times of need. The recent canal tragedy on Canyon Road refocused my appreciation for a Fire Department that is expertly trained and properly equipped. With thrift and federal funding, we have been able to renovate and re-equip our old fire station, and we have stayed on schedule for fleet upgrades. Our fireman are trained and re-trained at our in-house training facility and we have a remarkable ladder truck that will allow for taller commercial developments within the city. Likewise, our Police Department is on call 24/7 to keep our streets safe and our property secure. Our police forces have been moved to a building, designed for their organizational structure, which includes one of the most state-of-the-art 911 call and dispatch centers in the intermountain west. Because of the good work that they do every day, Logan continues to be one of the top 10 safest cities in the nation.*

*Finally, I am forever grateful for the citizens of Logan. As Shakespeare says, "What is the city but the people?" No matter what we do as an administration or what new programs we develop for the betterment of the community, our economy or our way of life – we owe the successful state of our city to the generosity, cleanliness, lawfulness and courtesy of the citizens of Logan.*

*I am proud to represent them and I look forward to a prosperous 2010.*

Mayor Watts announced that the entire State of the City Address, a list of accomplishments and a list of Goals for his Second Term will be posted on the Logan City website.

## **Mayor Randy Watts** **State of the City Address - Accomplishments**

My first term as Mayor was exciting and productive and a lot of things were accomplished in my first term such as:

### **Administration**

- New City Logo and Brochure
- New Free Standing Library Project in discussion
- City Hall Discussion for its future use
- Purchase of Old Workforce Service Building for the Justice Court
- New Logan City Website Completed and doing well
- 300 North and Main Purchased

### **Community Development**

- Park Strip Reclamation Project
- 169 additional Residential Development Projects
- 175 additional Commercial Development Projects
- Through the "Welcome Home to Logan" program, 67 homes have been purchased by single families desiring to live in Logan. These homes were at risk to become rental properties

### **Economic Development**

- Marriott Hotel
- Riverwoods Conference Center
- Wal-Mart Project
- Old Macey's area remodeled for new business
- Walgreen's on 10<sup>th</sup> North Main
- Progressive Insurance building completed
- Wilson Motor Improvements
- JK Business Renovation
- Cache Title Construction
- Texas Roadhouse
- New Arby's Restaurant
- Fredrico's Renovation
- Hobby Lobby opened for business
- Logan is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Best City in the US to find employment (CNN)
- Airport Masterplan underway
- Downtown Façade Enhancements (Joann's. Washington Federal Savings)
- New Infrastructure on the County Block (Emporium & Needham Jewelers)
- New Thermo Fisher Building
- Cache Valley Electric Building
- Juniper Systems Expansion (building addition)
- Inovar Expansion (building addition)
- New Logan Regional Hospital Cancer Center

Habitat for Humanity Project  
Groundbreaking on Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing Corporation's River Park Senior Housing Project

### **Environmental**

Successful Recycling Program

### **Fire**

Downtown Fire Station being remodeled, Kitchen Project completed  
New Aerial Ladder Truck purchased  
Continued Development of the Fire Training Facility  
New \$485,000 Structure Engine (2006)  
New \$75,000 Brush Truck (2007)  
Two New \$35,000 command vehicles (2007)  
New \$83,000 self-contained breathing apparatus air re-filling trailer (2008)

### **Fire/Police**

800 MHz System Update made possible by a \$2.5 million dollar grant to replace the VHF radio in Cache County. Implementation of this system improves the City's ability to make police, fire and medical communications better for the residents of Cache County

### **Human Resources**

Pay for Performance funded for City employees – Three of the Four Years  
New On-line Applicant Tracking System  
New Pre-employment background Checking Company and Process  
New Application and Employee Resource Center  
All HR Forms and Resources available on the Employee Net  
Employee Handbook Revision  
Continued Development to the Employee Wellness Plan

### **Light & Power**

Construction begun on new 138/46 kV Substation in northwest Logan, doubling existing capacity  
Dismantled, restored and relocated the old Murray City Substation to new site saving \$2.5M cost  
Removed and replaced 5,500 old residential & commercial meters to new automated meters  
Planning and design completed for new DeWitt Hydro Plant to serve nearly 200 new homes  
No electric utility rate increases for Logan City during 1<sup>st</sup> term, despite Rocky Mountain Power's three increases

### **Parks & Recreation**

National Accreditation Received

## **Police**

Police Department in the top ten for safest City  
911 Center Equipment – Radio Towers  
New Police Department Building

## **Public Works**

Boulevard Project  
Dewitt Springs  
Special Improvement District completed between 600 West Center Street to 200 South and 100 South, 600 to 600 West  
Gateway Project started on US-89 on South end of Logan City  
Successful Chip and Seal Project  
Curb and Gutter improvements  
Sewer and Water improvements  
County Road Tax money allocated for 100 East project from 300 South Logan to Providence Lane  
Stormwater Improvements  
600 South Street and Woodruff School Improvements

## **Public Works - Continued**

Completion of parking lot behind the Eccles Theatre  
Performance Tire Building removed  
City Hall parking lot and improvements completed on 300 North and Main Street  
200 North – New water line and laterals  
10<sup>th</sup> West SR-30 in the environmental phase for construction  
Temple Avenue Special Improvement District completed  
Center Street to 100 South Business Improvement District completed

## **Risk Management**

Significant decreases in our liability insurance premiums through a greater emphasis on maintaining a safe and accident free work environment  
Creation of Department Safety Committees  
Creation of Risk Committee that reviews all accidents and safety violations citywide  
Implementation of citywide safety incentives

## **Mayor Randy Watts Second Term Goals**

### **Administration**

Library (Old or New)  
Countywide Library System  
Strengthen relationships with adjacent communities  
Self Funded Liability  
Work on Performance Expectations

### **Community Development**

Neighborhood Reclamation: Parking, Licensing, Welcome Home Program and Sidewalks)

New Land Development Code  
Efficient Approval Process

### **Economic Development**

Work on an Economic Development Area in Northwest Logan

### **Environmental**

TMDL Lagoons  
NURLA – Future Landfill Site

### **Finance**

Financial Wellness  
Upgrade Financial Software

### **Fire**

Northeast corner fire coverage/fire hydrant improvements  
Southwest Fire Station  
Finish remodel of Station 70 living space  
Continued development of the Fire Training Center  
Actively exploring moving ahead in the development of Station 72 (Southwest area of Logan)

### **Human Resources**

Pay for Performance/Market Adjustments  
Feasibility of Self Funded Health Insurance

### **Light & Power**

Complete the new 138/46 kV Substation in northwest Logan  
Identify southwest Regional Substation site with Transmission Line Routing  
Substation #6 curb and sidewalk finish work at 10<sup>th</sup> North & 300 East  
Hydro III Plant & Stokes Nature Park Trail System integration project  
New Hydro-Electric Turbine on the new DeWitt Springs Pipeline  
Rebuild the 46 kV Transmission Line along 6<sup>th</sup> West for increased reliability

### **Parks & Recreation**

Future of the Recreation Center?  
Complete Bridger Park

### **Police**

Accreditation  
Lexipol Policy  
Cache County Interoperability – Complete Shared data and communication

### **Public Works**

Cache Title Building?  
Chip and Seal Program  
10<sup>th</sup> West, SR 30 (400 North)  
Future of the Logan-Cache Airport  
BID 100 North to Center Street (sidewalks) Assessment area

Homes on 200 East above the Transit Center  
More Sidewalks and Curbs  
Work with Union Pacific to clean up drainage, rights of ways and sidewalk crossings  
200 East improvements  
Restore Rolling Stock and Capital Improvement Plan

### **Risk Committee**

Continued emphasis on maintaining a safe and accident free work environment through appropriate training, employee accountability, and employee incentives

Mayor Watts concluded that he is proud to serve a second term as the Mayor of Logan. His intent is to move the City along in a progressive manner, to make sure that all citizens are represented and he asked for courtesy as things move forward. He said that sometimes the City has to step in and make sure the rights of citizens are protected. Again, he expressed his appreciation for the last four years as Mayor of Logan and he looks forward to the next four years.

### **Presentation: Completion of Park Strip Reclamation in Single Family Zones – James Geier.**

Neighborhood Improvement Coordinator James Geier gave a presentation and update of Park Strip Reclamation in Single Family Zones.

Mr. Geier referenced the 1962 comprehensive masterplan for Logan City. He said a park strip was described as a buffer/safe zone to protect pedestrians from vehicles traveling on the street, it is not a parking strip used for parking vehicles. The Community Development Departments motivation is to do what is best for Logan City. The allegations from property owners have been that the park strips “have always been there”. He showed an aerial view of the park strip from 2008 showing 12 stalls in a park strip. He then showed the same park strip from 1966 that clearly shows trees and grass. The park strip was altered sometime after 1970 and his concern is that things could have been done differently. They have encountered passive and aggressive responses to the changes that have been made. This has been a three year project and they are making major strides to improve and restore neighborhoods. The Community Development staff has made several site visits and worked with residents to answer any and all questions to make the needed changes in the park strips. The intent is to move forward with multi family zoning areas in the Second Phase and then go to commercial and industry zones.

The completion of the single family zones includes 175 abutting residents and over 300 vehicles have been removed from parking in the park strip area. The total cost is \$183,000 with the funding coming from the Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Geier thanked the public works department for their help in restoring the parks strips. He stated that hundreds of trees have been planted and some older trees removed. Sidewalks and gutters were also repaired. The most impacted area was the Adams Neighborhood. He showed before and after photos of several park strips that have been completed.



There are 67 areas left in the multi family zone and \$100,000 additional funding is needed to complete these areas. Mr. Geier feels that park strip reclamation is something that needs to continue. He thanked the City Council, City administration, public works department and everyone who helped with this project.

Councilmember Olsen asked about the projected cost for Phase Two and why the cost is higher than Phase One.

Mr. Geier responded that in Phase One the areas were less dynamic and were easier to change. With the multi family zones in Phase Two there will be more involved with the removal of the park strips.

Chairman Monson thanked Mr. Geier for his presentation.

### **COUNCIL BUSINESS.**

**Meeting Schedule.** Chairman Monson announced that regular council meetings would be held the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. The next regular council meeting is Tuesday, January 19, 2010.

### **Report and Recommendations from the Landlord Licensing Committee – Blythe Ahlstrom, Chair of the Landlord Licensing Committee.**

Chairman Monson introduced Blythe Ahlstrom who gave a report and recommendation from the Landlord Licensing Committee. He also recognized those in the audience who served on the Landlord Licensing Committee.

Mr. Ahlstrom thanked those who served on the committee and said the charge set forth by Mayor Watts and the City Council were to participate on a committee to evaluate recent proposals for licensing of rental units in Logan City and to recommend ways to improve conditions and safety of tenants and property owners.

He said the committee would like people to recognize them as the Business License Committee for Landlords. The committee was composed of 14 members which included 4 landlords, 4 general citizens who represented different neighborhoods, a Utah State University student leader, two members of the Municipal Council and two Logan City staff members and the executive director from the Utah Apartment Association from Salt Lake City. The committee met in five different sessions which he stated all went very well.

The committee would like to make the following recommendations and to revise Chapter 5.17 titled Regulatory Business Licensing of Landlords of Rental Dwellings. Regarding safety, they proposed and recommended to review the proposed fee structure for business licenses, in particular for landlords that would encourage a voluntary Good Landlord Program. Also recommended, is a review of the winter parking ordinance to include consideration of the schedule, fees and reduction of fees. Also recommended is an examination process for police notification to landlords of significant police involvement with rental units and this could be done through the Good Landlord Program. Finally, a

review of the process of referring landlord/tenant issues to a private landlord/tenant volunteer mediation group.

Chairman Monson thanked Mr. Ahlstrom and stated the Council will review these recommendations and will schedule a future public hearing before making a final decision.

Those serving on the Landlord Licensing Committee are: Blythe Ahlstrom: Facilitator of the committee and former landlord, Herm Olsen: Council Member, Jay Monson: Council Member, Mark Lunt: Landlord, Jack Nixon: Property Manager, Bruce Rigby: Landlord, Larry Welch: Landlord and Realtor, Alan Hinckley: Neighborhood Chair, Spencer Lee, Utah State University Student Government, Marilyn Griffin: Citizen from the Adam's Neighborhood, Kristie Cooley: Citizen from the Woodruff Neighborhood, Paul Smith: Utah Apartment Association, Jay Neilson: Community Development Director and James Geier: Neighborhood Improvement with the City of Logan.

### **ACTION ITEMS.**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING – Consideration of a proposed ordinance amending Sections of the Logan Municipal Code, Section 2.08.040. Regarding charges for copies of public records – 09-85.**

Chairman Monson opened the meeting to a public hearing.

Citizen Nannette Miller addressed the Council and stated she is against having a fee increase and would like the fee to be very small. She feels that public records should be available online and should not have a high fee, which will discourage people from getting the copies they need.

Citizen Raylene Bishop addressed the Council and feels public records should be available online and available to the public to access. She also feels the fee should be low so people can afford to pay.

Chairman Monson closed the public hearing.

City Attorney Housley stated this ordinance is a housekeeping matter rather than increasing the fee. Our current ordinance is outdated and we are taking the costs and putting them into a resolution. Most information is currently online and can be accessed free of charge. The charges are consistent with State law and citizens are only charged if they come in to City Hall and City staff makes a copy for them. The proposed fee increase is from 15 cents to 20 cents per page. The City can send copies electronically at no cost. These fees can change during the budget session.

Mayor Watts stated that Logan City's website has been updated and has current information that citizens can access. For those who don't have a computer they can access this information from the Logan Library and he feels this is a nominal fee increase for the public.

**ACTION.** Motion by Councilmember Quayle, seconded by Councilmember Daines to approve Res 09-85 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Consideration of a proposed resolution approving a fee schedule for copies of documents and other media for the City of Logan – 09-86.**

The proposed resolution was voted on and passed along with the previous Ordinance 09-85.

**ACTION.** Motion by Councilmember Quayle, seconded by Councilmember Daines to approve Res 09-86 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Budget Adjustment FY 2009-10 appropriating: \$12,500 for FY10 Youth Prevention Alcohol Grant; \$147,448 for a Radio Grant – 09-87.**

Chairman Monson opened the meeting to a public hearing.

Citizen Nanette Miller feels the City should put more money towards the Youth Prevention Alcohol Grant.

Chairman Monson closed the public hearing.

**ACTION.** Motion by Councilmember Olsen, seconded by Councilmember Quayle to approve Res 09-87 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING – 300 East 200-300 North & 200 North Parking.**

Public Works Director Mark Nielsen reviewed the proposed change in parking to eliminate angle parking, making both streets parallel parking on 300 East and 200 North. There will be a reduction in parking stalls. On 300 East the parking would go from 45 to 19 and on 200 North it would go from 69 to 38 parking stalls. During winter months this area has been exempt from parking restrictions. The issue is can the parking be changed to parallel parking which will reduce the parking in half on both proposed streets. Parallel parking has disadvantages with steep slopes on 300 East on the North end. On 300 East there are also steep slopes and a potential for problems. The general plan is to inform people that this change is coming and will not happen immediately. It will move forward sometime in the fall of 2010 and will open the road and create more space.

Mr. Nielsen stated that on 300 East there is not access in this area for off street parking except for maybe two locations.

Mayor Watts said the other issue is the garbage and recycle cans that will need to be addressed.

Chairman Monson opened the meeting to a public hearing.

Citizen Bill Bertolio addressed the Council. Mr. Bertolio owns an apartment building at 265 North 300 East (West side of the road). He said there is a safety concern in this area when the roads are wet and snowy. He has an apartment manager that lives in the

apartment building and he works well with Logan City crews with snow removal. On the West side it is multi family residents and on the East side it is single family. The parking has been there for more than 30 years and he requested an exemption in this area because of safety concerns. He stated this lot is very small and he would be willing to donate equity from the sale of his triplex to make a future parking lot. Logan City could purchase the triplex for what is owed and the City can then turn the area into a parking lot.

Logan Temple Groundskeeper Charles Wheeler addressed the Council and stated that he is responsible for the parking lots around the temple. The temple is supportive of the changes on 200 North and feels this would be an improvement. He is concerned about the proposed changes on 300 East. Parking will become more difficult and the residents will park in the temple parking lot and the gates are locked at night and they are locked in. Then they drive across the sidewalk area and that causes problems. He suggested that perhaps the grade could be changed on 300 East. A slope change could be made and a portion of the parking strip could be removed and people could park there and not occupy so much of the road.

Citizen Randy Olsen addressed the Council. Mr. Olsen lives at 280 North 300 East (East side). He has lived there for 15 years and he feels that parallel parking will not work and more than half of the parking spaces will be lost and there won't be any place for people to park. Several of the multi housing residents have two vehicles. He doesn't feel that people should be allowed to park perpendicular and it should be angled parking.

Citizen Ben Peterson addressed the Council. Mr. Peterson lives at 500 North 300 East and has lived there for five years and feels there is a problem with the crown in the road and he is supportive of the grade being changed. He feels that regulation of parking should be enforced in this area. The residents have made complaints but changes have not been made. He feels parking lines should be painted on the street and a certain number of vehicles should be allowed to park per unit.

Citizen Raylene Bishop addressed the Council and supports the idea of angled parking. She feels that parallel parking requires more space and perpendicular is unnatural.

Chairman Monson closed the public hearing.

This is not an Action Item at this time and will come to the Council at a later time.

Councilmember Olsen asked if there are other parking areas in Logan and if there are other hill areas that have parallel parking, particularly on East Center.

Street Manager Jed Al-Imari responded that he is not aware of any parallel parking on East Center and there are not other hill areas in Logan with parallel parking.

Mr. Nielsen stated that he will take the comments from tonight's meeting and consider Mr. Bertolios offer. He will also look at changing the crown and create a water channel. He will bring back a recommendation to the Council.

Councilmember Daines stated that if the City were to purchase Mr. Bertolio's property and provide parking it would set a precedent for other areas in the City and we don't provide parking anywhere else in the City. She suggested that a coalition of landlords could work with Mr. Bertolio and purchase this property for the purpose of parking.

City Attorney Housley said Mr. Bertolio's offer is generous and the Council could create a special improvement district if the City were to contribute. The City does not generally provide off street parking for private occupants.

It was suggested if the 9 inch high back curb from the West side of the road were changed to 6 inches and the elevation were raised, that much of the safety issue could be resolved. The curb and gutter also needs to be replaced.

Councilmember Olsen suggested that the property owners on 200 North should be given adequate notice if any changes are made.

### **PUBLIC HEARING – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2010-11 Annual Action Plan Projects.**

CDBG Coordinator Gay Jamieson addressed the Council and gave an update and introduction of tonight's public hearing for 2010-11 Annual Action Plan.

Project proponents addressed the Council to establish their interest in receiving block grant monies.

1. James Geier, Neighborhood Improvement Manager, City of Logan: Park Strip Reclamation – Request \$100,000
2. James Geier, Neighborhood Improvement Manager, City of Logan: Main Street ADA, Phase 2 – Request \$125,000
3. Matt Whitaker, Cache Community Food Pantry: Office/warehouse building construction – Request \$200,000
4. Brent Speth, Logan City Fire Department: Smoke/CO Detector Project – Request \$2,000
5. Kirk Jensen-Economic Development Director, City of Logan: Downtown Business Development Fund – Request \$150,000
6. Eldon Peterson, Center for Pregnancy Choices: Program development – Request \$15,000
7. Lee Rulis, Habitat for Humanity: Purchase lots for homes – Request \$100,000
8. Katie Jensen, English Language Center: Computer lab equipment/program – Request \$45,000
9. Karly Porter, Child & Family Support Center: Enlarge Crisis/Respite Nursery area – Request \$85,000 and repair plumbing/electrical problems – Request \$18,000
10. Stacy Abbott, USU Housing & Financial Counseling Center: Financial Fitness Program – Request \$9,000
11. Danielle Bird, Bridgerland Literacy: Accredited Adult Literacy Program – Request \$9,000
12. Drake Rasmussen, Bear River Activity & Skill Center: Fire alarm/suppression system – Request \$75,000

13. Cindy Jones, Sunshine Terrace: Upgrade/refurbish resident rooms – Request \$59,000
14. KaeLynn Beecher, Cache Employment & Training Center: Capitol Improvements – Request \$50,000
15. Jill Anderson, CAPSA: Emergency support for domestic violence victims – Request \$10,000
16. Tom Dickinson, Building Safety Division, City of Logan: Housing Rehabilitation Assistance – Request \$50,000
17. Dave Schuster, Neighborhood Non-Profit Housing: Homeownership Assistance – Request \$123,700
18. Samantha Macfarlane, Common Ground: Program services – Request \$17,000
19. Robert Green, Boys & Girls Club: Summer Youth Program – Request \$25,000

Chairman Monson thanked all those that attended tonight's meeting and gave their presentation for CDBG funding. He announced that the committee will meet and discuss the requests and will come back with a recommendation.

### **WORKSHOP ITEMS.**

#### **Petition to Vacate Right-of-Way – Don Barringer.**

Don Barringer addressed the Council. Mr. Barringer is the President of the Bridgerland Meadows Homeowners Association and Red Eagle Development LLC, the Developers of the project, petition the City of Logan to vacate the area designated on the Bridgerland Meadows Town Home P.U.D. as "Guest Parking" on both the north and south sides of 1530 North Street and return ownership of said land to the petitioners. These parking areas are central to the overall guest parking within the development. Bridgerland Meadows will maintain this property including the removal of snow as it has done in the past. The project's Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions clearly specify requirements for all guest parking within the development including those areas involved in this petition. They currently require overnight parking permits.

Street Manager Jed Al-Imari stated he has talked with Mr. Barringer regarding snow removal and City crews are not able to plow due to the volume of cars parked in this area. He doesn't have a problem with Mr. Barringer taking over this area.

Mr. Nielsen said there is an issue with the sidewalk and Mr. Barringer will also inherit that section of sidewalk behind the parking lot area which he currently maintains.

Mr. Housley met with Mr. Barringer and the Neighborhood Improvement Department. This proposal is to clean up the area and they are supportive of this change. There will be a public hearing on this issue.

The Council is supportive and this will move forward to an Action Item on January 19, 2010.

**Consideration of a resolution approving the 2009 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan: Bear River Region, Utah as required by the Federal Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 2000 – 10-03 – Zac Covington (Bear River Association of Governments BRAG).**

Assistant Chief Will Lusk introduced Zac Covington from the Bear River Association of Governments who presented the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan to the City Council.

Assistant Chief Lusk asked the Council to review this Plan and asked for approval at a future Council meeting. This Plan will keep the City in line with FEMA requirements and for the future.

Mr. Covington addressed the Council and stated he has enjoyed working on this Plan and added there is an analysis of potential problems areas and losses for Logan City included in the information given to the Council.

Councilmember Olsen said after reviewing the information, he is impressed with the history of different events that have occurred over the years. He stated that at one point Trenton City opted out and asked what was the reason for them doing this?

Mr. Covington responded that Trenton City was the only city that has not adopted the plan. Cache County is being presented with this information and typically full participation is received.

This will be an Action Item at the January 19, 2010 Council meeting.

**Consideration of an ordinance amending Title 10 of the Logan Municipal Code Deleting the Time Frame allowed for Removing a Vehicle Immobilization Device – 10-01 – Kymber Housley.**

City Attorney Housley said the proposed ordinance is presented to be consistent with State law and address any future issues that may occur. State law takes precedent but he would recommend having our own law to address this issue.

This will be an Action Item at the January 19, 2010 Council meeting.

**Consideration of a resolution approving changes in the Parks reservation fees and an increase in the power carts at the Logan River Golf Course – 10-02 – Russ Akina.**

Parks & Recreation Director Russ Akina stated this is a recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Department to make changes in the park reservation schedule for sports fields and also at Willow Park. It is also a proposed increase to the rental rate of golf carts at Logan River Golf Course. The rate change would affect the park reservation rate at Area B at Willow Park where there is the most picnic tables located in the middle of the park. They have received funding to build an amphitheater and would like to be consistent with other rates in the same area.

The increase for the golf carts is to increase the 9 hole rate from \$6 to \$7 and for 18 holes from \$12 to \$14. Both boards have reviewed this request and make this recommendation to the Council.

This will be an Action Item at the January 19, 2010 Council meeting.

**Budget Adjustment FY 2009-10 appropriating: \$4,185 for the Purchase of Defibrillators \$6,000 for Crash Training at Airport; \$539,000 for Class C Road Projects – 10-04 – Richard Anderson.**

Finance Director Richard Andersons reviewed the proposed budget adjustment.

This will come back as an Action Item at the January 19, 2010 Council meeting.

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.**

Chairman Monson asked about the 10<sup>th</sup> West road recommendations received from UDOT.

Mr. Nielsen gave an update and said that UDOT has completed their draft environmental document and have submitted this to the central UDOT office and they project it will take 3 months to address and review before approval. The standard is you cannot acquire any property until the environmental document is completed and signed off. They have provided appraisals to the 17 residents on the West side and they cannot give any offers until the environmental document is completed and approved. Currently, the process of addressing these questions for the next three months will delay the process. A bid will go out in the Fall of 2010 and construction will begin in late Fall of 2010 with the majority of construction occurring in 2011. The first area of focus is the Logan River Bridge on the South end and later will start in the area of 600 South to 200 North and then on 2500 North. He is not aware of any way to expedite this process and will have to wait the three months. The property owners in that area have received the document from UDOT and they are aware there will not be a lot of progress for the next three months.

Councilmember Olsen asked City Attorney Housley and Mr. Nielsen to address the offer from Mr. Bertolio and he feels the neighborhood could join together and make a possible offer on this property.

Mr. Anderson stated that earlier in tonight's meeting, CDBG projects were presented and a lot of good projects were presented from outside the City as well as City projects. Every year there isn't enough funding for projects within the City and the budget phase will begin very soon. With this federal funding there is an opportunity for the Council to consider the CDBG funding and is a great source for projects that benefit all citizens.

Community Development Director Jay Nielson stated that the Council makes the final decision on what funding these projects receive.

Councilmember Daines stated that she has served on the CDBG committee in the past and feels they have a very good process. They have developed a matrix system to evaluate the different projects which helps in making a decision on who receives funding.



Chairman Monson announced that the Council will have a budget workshop on February 3, 2010.

Chairman Monson announced that Mayor Watts will now sit on the bench with the Council members and he invited Mayor Watts to make comments during Council meeting at any time.

**ADJOURN.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Teresa Harris, City Recorder