



City of LaVerkin

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LAVERKIN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 15, 2007 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, 111 S. Main, LaVerkin, Utah

Present-Mayor Karl Wilson; Council: Ray Justice, Phil Jensen, Kyle Gubler, Scott Stratton, Doug Beecher; Staff-Debi Groves, Chief Lloyd Watkins, Benjamin Reeves, Derek Imlay; Public-Michael Hinckley, Blair Gubler, Randy Logan, Phyllis Terrana

Call to Order: Mayor Karl Wilson at 6:01 p.m. Opening remarks and Pledge of Allegiance by Ray Justice.

Presentation: Hurricane Valley Fire District. Benjamin Reeves presented his power point presentation on the formation of a fire district.

Public Comment: Blair Gubler asked what the costs for the city would be for the first year. Ben Reeves stated it the expenses would be maintained at the same rate for the first year.

Appointments Mayor Wilson recommended Michael Hinckley to the planning commission, a move up from alternate 1, Allen Bice as alternate 2, and Joe Webb to become alternate 1. **Motion by Councilmember Beecher to approve the appointments, second by Councilmember Gubler, passed unanimously.**

Consent Agenda:

1. Declaration of conflict of interest. Scott Stratton declared conflict in reference to the AT Asphalt invoice and check.
2. Agenda
3. Minutes: August 1, 2007 regular meeting minutes
4. Review Invoices and Checks: \$ 188,699.25 corrected to \$185,937.65

Motion by Councilmember Justice to approve the consent agenda with minutes from the August 1, 2007 regular meeting and the checks and invoices for \$185,973.65, second by Councilmember Jensen. Roll Call Vote: Gubler-aye, Justice-aye, Jensen-aye, Beecher-aye, passed unanimously. Stratton abstained.

Committee Reports:

- Sewer District: Blair Gubler reported that last year the city had nine subdivisions that were maintained and cleaned. Three of the subdivisions are completed, two are almost complete, and four are still under construction. Invited council to ask questions on anything and he will research as necessary.

Citizen Comment & Request for Future Agenda Items:

Phyllis Terrana asked if the irrigation water was clearing up. Mayor Wilson reported that the WCWCD and Virgin River Program purchased a pump for the diversion dam that is helping to filter the system.

Unfinished Business:

1. Consideration and action on Resolution R-2007-26: a Resolution supporting the Washington County Commissioners consideration of passing a resolution proposing the establishment of the Hurricane Valley Fire District. Gubler clarified that the structure of the fire department would remain the same. He also had concerns that the contribution would be equal for all communities. Gubler asked if the district would open up the door to larger grants. Jensen stated the District would be a positive move. Funding the District would mean an increase in taxes to the property owners. Mayor Wilson said that he doesn't believe Hurricane is charging LaVerkin the amount it is costing them to service the city and believes a district would level out the service to all involved. The county area that currently does not pay into the budget would become part of the taxed property. Beecher stated one of the benefits of the district was so the assets were spread out. **Motion by Councilmember Justice to approve Resolution R-2007-26, supporting the establishment of the Hurricane Valley Fire District, second by Councilmember Stratton. Roll Call Vote: Stratton-aye, Beecher-aye, Jensen-aye, Justice-aye, Gubler-aye, passed unanimously.**
2. Consideration and action on acquisition of tent for city functions. Willyne Beecher was unable to attend to make the presentation. **Motion by Councilmember Beecher to continue this agenda item to the next council meeting, second by Councilmember Gubler, passed unanimously.**

New Business:

1. Consideration and action on Ordinance 2007-24: an ordinance amending Title 7, Chapter 4; Title 9, Chapters 1, 3, 5, 6, and 8; Title 10, Chapters G, G1, 6I, and 11; and Title 11, Chapters 2 and 4 adopting the International Residential Code with Appendices C, E, and M; International Building Code, with the exception of Appendix B; International Plumbing Code with Appendices B, D, E, and F; International Fuel Gas Code; International Mechanical Code, with Appendix A; International Fire code; and National Electrical Code; as the approved building codes for LaVerkin City. Planning Commission recommended approval. Derek Imlay explained that the International Code changes every three years and this ordinance updates all building codes the City currently uses. Attorney Kevin Bennett stated this ordinance would be better for enforcement. **Motion by Councilmember Jensen to approve Ordinance 2007-24 as listed, second by Gubler. Roll Call Vote: Beecher-aye, Stratton-aye, Gubler-aye, Justice-aye, Jensen-aye, passed unanimously.**

Staff, Mayor, & Council Reports:

- Public Safety- Chief Lloyd Watkins reported that Kade Hall would be out for surgery. Kevin Francis was the father of a new baby girl. The department is cracking down on Jimmy Lewis and plans to cite every week. There is also a nuisance on 60 East that would need to be handled.
- City Manager-Benjamin Reeves asked council opinion on removing the permanent seating behind the council bench. No objections voiced. Christmas group wants to put on a live nativity. No objections. Reported 400 North negotiations. Audit is in progress. Gave the financial report.
- Mayor- Mayor Wilson reported on the Vision Dixie meeting where a proposed plan was being worked on and was almost ready to present to the city councils. Confluence Park committee was moving forward with an interlocal agreement. ULCT convention attendance was cut back due to budgetary constraints. Property taxes increased because re-assessment by the county. The increase may be for inflationary purposes. The City is considering a Truth and Taxation every other year. The Hurricane, LaVerkin, and Toquerville mayors and councils would be adopting resolutions protesting the Sewer District annexation.
- Council:
 - Jensen* reported on the solid waste meeting. There was concern about use of some of the stations throughout the county. Commercial haulers and private citizens are abusing the system. It is costing over \$50,000 to monitor the problem. The board is considering initiating a recycling program.
 - Justice* reported on the short planning commission meeting. He attended the Confluence Park meeting.
 - Stratton* reported that the Southern Utah Shooting Sports Park is recruiting more shooters.

Adjourn: Motion by Justice to adjourn at 7:16 p.m., second by Councilmember Jensen, passed unanimously

Minutes taken by _____
Debi Groves

Date Approved _____
Karl Wilson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debi Groves, CMC
City Recorder

