

Rockville Town Council
December 12, 2012
Rockville Community Center

1. **CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL** – Mayor Dan McGuire called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following members of the Rockville Town Council were present: Jeff Ballard, Pam Leach, Megan Honer-Orton, and Bernie Harris. See attached list for others present. Town Clerk Elaine Harris recorded the meeting.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor McGuire led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH AN AGENDA ITEM** – No conflicts were declared.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no public comments.
5. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE POLICE SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE AND THE TOWN OF ROCKVILLE** – The Council members discussed the proposed agreement, including provision of emergency services and animal control.

Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the *Police Services Agreement* between the Towns of Springdale and Rockville. Bernie Harris **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote indicated all those present **VOTED** in favor of the motion.

6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR SUBMITTING PROJECTS FOR THE FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST UPDATES – MAYOR MCGUIRE** – Mayor McGuire noted that Rockville does not have any items listed on the one year plan. With respect to the five year plan, Rockville has already proposed cleaning and painting the Rockville Bridge, improving the flood channel, and repairing and replacing street surfaces. Mayor McGuire suggested strengthening the bridge instead of cleaning and painting it. He has contacted UDOT about obtaining State funds for the reinforcement project, which will cost approximately \$2 million. The Council members discussed UDOT's evaluation and recommendations regarding the bridge. They also expressed a preference for refurbishing the bridge instead of replacing it. Megan reminded the Council that Bob Ford has put us in touch with an employee of the Federal Lands Access Program, but we have not heard back yet. This program assists with locating matching funds for projects like the bridge refurbishment.

The Council members agreed there were no projects to submit for the one year plan. For the five year plan, the Council members agreed to strengthen the Rockville Bridge instead of cleaning and painting it. The two remaining projects, flood channel improvement and street resurfacing, will remain on the list, but the bridge will be the main priority. The decision was unanimous.

7. **DISCUSSION REGARDING CHAPTER 25A.7 OF THE LAND USE CODE RELEVANT TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION** – Mayor McGuire expressed his concern about the depth and complexity of training required for flood plain management. He suggested sending the current Town's Flood Plain Administrator to FEMA training and/or requesting assistance from FEMA. The Council discussed options, and decided to ask nearby towns whether they have a trained administrator who would be willing to contract with Rockville to administer the ordinance.
8. **APPROVAL OF MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2013** – Megan Honer-Orton **MOVED** to approve the meeting schedule for 2013. Pam Leach **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote indicated all those present **VOTED** in favor of the motion.

9. **APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2012 – TOWN CLERK** – Megan Honer-Orton **MOVED** to approve the expenditures for the month of November 2012. Bernie Harris **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote indicated all those present **VOTED** in favor of the motion.
10. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2012 TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING** – Pam Leach **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 Town Council Regular Meeting, as written. Megan Honer-Orton **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote indicated all those present **VOTED** in favor of the motion.
11. **MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Jeff Ballard asked for a progress report regarding South Central Communications. Clerk Harris stated that they have contacted the office with an indication that their application is forthcoming. Jeff has spoken with Allen Lee about the work on the South Mountain road. Jeff is hopeful the work will be finished soon. He also suggested sending a thank you note to Larry Cotton, who is retiring from Utah Power and Light, for his assistance with the Town's Christmas lighting over the years. Jeff also reported that the Solid Waste budget for 2013 will be \$9,027,000, which reflects a 33% increase over the 2012 budget. Most of the increase will be in construction and demolition costs.

Pam Leach pointed out that attendance at the Rockville Christmas party was very low this year. She suggested allowing the elementary school to hold its Christmas program in the Community Center, which would make decorating the Center more worthwhile. Mayor McGuire agreed, and suggested contacting the school to see if they would like to use the Center. The Council members discussed reasons for the low turnout at the party and ways to improve attendance in the future.

Megan Honer-Orton stated that the Town needs to send its annual letter to the bike shops reminding them of the emergency closure of the bike trail on the mesa. Megan also reported that the Utah Office of Energy Development completed its final inspection of the Town's energy grant projects.

Bernie Harris expressed his thanks for the service rendered by the Council members.

Dan McGuire asked about the utility encroachment right-of-way application and permit forms. The Council members clarified that the permit requires the company to return the road surface to its original condition or better. Mayor McGuire also asked for information regarding the financial statements, which Clerk Harris explained.

Mayor McGuire reported on the police report, noting that the number of citations issued in Rockville has dropped since 2011. He credits the Town's new radar sign for the reduced number of traffic violations. Mayor McGuire also noted that a Virgin resident has volunteered to coordinate the Community Covenant Program, which Rockville has agreed to support. The three communities of Rockville, Springdale and Virgin will participate together.

Mayor McGuire stated that he attended the recent mayors' meeting at Dixie Regional Medical Center. He discussed the new "Walk Washington County" program, which encourages residents to participate in area walks. The first event will be in St. George on January 12, 2013. Mayor McGuire also announced that the hospital will have neurosurgeons in residence beginning in 2013. Additionally, the hospital facility will be expanding in the next several years.

Mayor McGuire also attended the Rockville/Springdale fire protection district meeting in November. He reported the recent emergency response statistics, and noted that the district is making an effort to collect delinquent fees.

Mayor McGuire suggested combining the two samples of a “Rules and Regulations Handbook” that was distributed to create one for Rockville. Utah law now requires each municipality have an adopted procedure for conducting public meetings.

Finally, Mayor McGuire reported that he attended the ZC3 meeting, where he learned that the Coal Pits area has been closed to vehicles. UDOT will survey the area and Zion National Park will install a fence, which will include a gate large enough to allow horses and people into the area.

12. **TOWN BUSINESS** – Clerk Harris stated an interested person has requested information regarding the closure of the bike trail on the south bench and has requested access to the Town’s files with the intent to have the trail reopened.
13. **ADJOURN**– Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to adjourn. Pam Leach **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote indicated all those present **VOTED** in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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