City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 9, 2012

ATTENDING: Mayor Pat Brady, Council Members Kent Johnson, Penney Riches, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches; Employees Conae Black; Citizens Jack Forinash, Charlotte Uptain, Armando Rios, Ashley Ross, Maria Sykes, Haley Crooks, Keith Brady, Bill Reay, Trenton Bennett, Julie Steuer, Chris Lezama, Gene Ciarus from Grand County Council. **ABSENT:** Kathy Ryan

CONDUCTING: Mayor Pat Brady, the meeting began at 7:02 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Pledge of allegiance is directed by Gary Riches. Pat Brady.

1. Public Hearing. The Public Hearing began at 7:02 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to accept comments on the amendments to the Annexation Policy Plan.

Jack Forinash from the Planning Commission addressed the Mayor and City Council. He said the Planning Commission met this morning to finalize all changes necessary to the Annexation Policy Plan. Grand County submitted a written request that Grand County's boundary lines explicitly appear on maps of the expansion area. This has been done by adding shading and lines. Mayor Brady had requested some land marks and those have been added also.

Gene Ciarus, Chair for Grand County Council, stated that state law does not require the Council to respond to the Annexation Policy Pan amendments. They have some concerns about the size of the expansion area and would like the City Council to reconsider the size based on what the future growth will be in the next 20 years according to State code. There is 130 square miles involved in this expansion area.

There were no further comments. Mayor Brady closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

<u>2. Discuss/approve/deny consent agenda</u>. **MOTION**: Kent Johnson moved to approve the consent agenda. Gary Riches seconded the motion. **VOTE**: Kent Johnson, Penney Riches, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches voted aye. The motion carried.

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- 3. Presentation on building inspection for the City. Trenton Bennett with T. C. Builders addressed the Mayor and Council. He stated that he has been a building contractor for the past seven years and recently decided to get out of the construction area and become licensed to do building inspections for residential and commercial. They have been doing building inspections for Emery County School District. He asked if Green River City would be interested in their services for building inspections. Kent Johnson going with a different building inspection service is something that they have discussed however under State law the city would need to put that out for bid. He asked Mr. Bennett how long it takes T. C. Builders to respond to a request for inspection. Mr. Bennett said they need at least 24 hours advance notice and will come at a scheduled time if the builder requests it. He said their fees are the same for everyone which is 75% of the permit fees will go to them and 25% to the City. The City will collect the fees and then pay T.C. Builders their share.
- 4. Discuss/approve/deny Ordinance No. 2012-01 creating the City of Green River Community Development and Renewal Agency. Conae Black said from a previous meeting held for the City Council to educate them on Redevelopment Agencies it was stated by Attorney Craig Smith that

the best way to help out the blighted areas in Green River a Community Development Agency should be established but for the Industrial Park an Economic Development Agency should be formed. She said that there has been movement for an oil refinery in the Emery County Industrial Park. It would probably be in the city's best interest to adopt an ordinance for an Economic Development Agency. **MOTION**: Penney Riches moved to approve Ordinance No. 2012-01. Kent Johnson seconded the motion. **VOTE**: Kent Johnson, Penney Riches, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches voted aye. The motion carried unanimously.

- 5. Discuss/approve/deny billboard art and payment. Keith Brady presented a sample of a design for new billboards. There was some discussion and suggested changes on the design. Keith Brady said the State Parks, Emery County Travel Bureau and the City will each pay 1/3 of the cost for this billboard. Bruce Billings is willing to allow the use of a billboard on his property as long as it doesn't advertise a business. He said that the city could use it for the first six months for free and after that it would be \$200 a month. Conae Black said the money has been budgeted for this project. Gary Riches said he would like Kathy Ryan to approve the final design. Keith Brady said he is willing to work with Kathy Ryan on the final design. Kent Johnson said he does not see a return on renting the billboard from Bruce Billings. Gary Riches sees it differently. He feels the city should help promote and bring people into town. Conae Black said the Council only budgeted for the new billboards and not for the additional billboards at Bruce Billings's property. Kent Johnson suggested collecting some data on how the billboards increase visitation.

 MOTION: Gary Riches moved to approve funding 1/3 of the cost for the two billboards owned by the City. Philip Engleman seconded the motion. VOTE: Kent Johnson, Penney Riches, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches voted aye. The motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Discuss/approve/deny blocking off Solomon Street from Main Street to 100 North for a Halloween activity. Mayor Brady said the CHEER Coalition is trying to add "Trunk or Treat" activity to Halloween with a movie afterwards. Keith Brady said they are trying to coordinate with all of the other activities on Halloween. They would like North Solomon Street shut down for this activity. Penney Riches suggested closing off the street in-between the two parks. **MOTION**: Gary Riches moved to allow CHEER to black off 175 South or 125 North. Kent Johnson seconded the motion. **VOTE**: Kent Johnson, Penney Riches, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches voted aye. The motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Department Reports. Gary Riches reported that the Fire Department will be hosting the Halloween Carnival. Burn season is October 20 through November 18. The County building was infested with bats and it will be closed until that is cleaned up. He has drafted up the code enforcement job descriptions. He has identified at least eight locations that the city owns where protestors can protest for the protesting ordinance. Philip Engleman thanked the Public Works department for their good work. He has been in discussion with the State on the vehicles that the city would like to purchase. Penney Riches attended the Utah Museums Association Conference and got a lot of good ideas from that conference. Mayor Brady reinforced the compliment from Philip Engleman on the good work from the Public Works. CIB approved the grant for the sewer land application. The Bible Church was approved for a building permit on their addition. He went to a river runners induction into the Wall of Fame for another river runner.

8. Executive Session.	
9. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.	
Pat Brady, Mayor	Conae Black, City Recorder
Approved:	