

MINUTES
SMITHFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 25, 2012

The Smithfield City Council met in a regular scheduled meeting at 96 South Main, Smithfield, Utah, on Wednesday, **April 25, 2012**. The following were present constituting a quorum.

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| Mayor | Darrell G. Simmons |
| Council Members | Jeffrey Barnes Brent Buttars Barbara Kent Kris Monson Dennis Watkins |
| City Manager | James P. Gass O. Dean Clegg |

Mayor Simmons called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Councilmember Kris Monson offered a prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors: Dale Pratt, Margorie Scholes, David Weeks, Margene Parker, Kelley Fisher, Laurel S. Maughan, Lyle Coleman, Billie Buttars, Jess Harris, Virginia Harris, Evelyn Meikle, Russell Elwood, Ralph Erickson, Bessie Tuveson, Kenneth Tuveson, Paula Thornley, Glen J. Thornley, Nathan Parker, Max Hillyard, Donna Lou Pitcher, Roger Swaner, Ruth Swaner, Ruth Green, Margaret Hendrickson, David Barnes, Dennis Greene, Ray Winn, Lila Winn, Wade Lindley, Michel H. Neilson, Lynda Gittins, Jeffrey R. Gittins, Ashley Mickelson, Anna McCurdy, Chase Cook, Hollie Downs, Alice Jeppesen, George Jeppesen, Bret Daniels, and Jean Douglass

Agenda:

Welcome and Opening Ceremonies

1. Residents Input
2. Consideration of Consent Agenda
 - Minutes of Budget Meeting Held March 27, 2012
 - Minutes of City Council Meeting Held March 28, 2012
 - Minutes of Budget Meeting Held on April 19, 2012
3. Hearing a Report from the Historical Society Board
4. Hearing a Report from the Recreation Department
5. Consideration of **Resolution 12-04**, "A Resolution Amending the Community Development and Housing Plan for the City of Smithfield, Utah."
6. Mayor Simmons to Read a Proclamation Declaring Saturday, May 12, 2012 as Arbor Day
7. Consideration for Approval for the Mayor to Sign an Inter-local Agreement With Cache County for Road Repairs
8. City Manager Items
9. Mayor and Council Reports
 - Appointment of CVTD Board Member
10. Adjournment

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Resident Input:

Smithfield resident Lynda Gittins said she would like to see Health Days advertised on the website. She said there is nothing there and if you go into the schedule on the website, it is for 2011 Health Days.

Rec Center Director Bret Daniels said the Rec Center has the Health Days schedule on their website. They need to get their website to link to the city website.

Councilmember Kris Monson said it is on the Smithfield Utah Facebook page.

City Manager Jim Gass reported we are working on a completely new page for our website so it's unlikely to appear this year.

Consideration of Consent Agenda,

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Mayor Simmons declared the consent agenda approved. (All meetings)

Hearing a Report From the Historical Society Executive Board

Councilmember Jeff Barnes, who is assigned the Smithfield Historical Society, introduced Ralph Erickson as the new President of the Smithfield Historical Society, with Glen J. Thornley as Vice President. Ruth Swaner is the Secretary/Treasurer of the organization, with four different committees consisting of 23 residents of Smithfield.

Mr. Erickson had handouts for council members. He introduced leadership of the organization. Chairperson of the Cemetery Extraction Committee is Hollie Downs. This committee is working on listing leadership of religious wards since the community was founded.

The Historical Sites and Landmarks Committee is headed by Jeff and Lynda Gittins. They are working on nominating sites for inclusion to historical data in the state.

Barbara Gutke said her grandfather was the first bishop of the Second Ward and he went to church at the tabernacle all his single life. The tabernacle is special to her. (Mrs. Gutke). It was really a lovely building. It had a balcony and chair seats. There was no organ. They put on operettas in different communities and made enough money to buy a pipe organ. A lot of the apostles spoke in that building. Mrs. Gutke added that when she was a young girl, someone from Salt Lake City taught her how to lead music. The people in this town were very upset when the Church took down the steeple. She recently looked at the court house in Logan. It was rundown, we could save this building. The tabernacle was a house of worship as well as many other uses. The tabernacle is important to lots of people.

Jeff and Lynda Gittins, Historical Society Board Members, brought artifacts from the museum for council members to look at. Thanks was given to Glen J. Thornley for his help in gathering this information. Mr. and Mrs. Gittins sent out a questionnaire to several Smithfield residents inviting them to share their historical stories. They have found very important items that were in

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the original tabernacle. They showed a hinge from an original door, they have found the original pulpit. Most of the windows are upstairs in the tabernacle. (*It now appears they were from the old 1st Ward church*). Mr. and Mrs. Gittins showed a book written by James Kirkbride. They also found out that Roberta Geary contributed items from the tabernacle to USU. They found some of the original benches. The building was built in 1880 – 1902. It has been changed as a community building, and a seminary. Mr. & Mrs. Gittins showed pictures of the Smithfield Tabernacle Choir. The original organ is still in the Smithfield Second Ward. The committee was united in their efforts to save the old tabernacle.

Mr. And Mrs. Gittins told of Lars Mortensen who was a supervisor at the brickyard (yellow brick). He was approached by leaders of the church to make 200,000 bricks. They talked to him three times before he agreed. On the third visit they told him they would send him on a mission if he did not participate. He made 220,000 bricks and then retired.

Earl Harper was killed in 1918 in WWI. His was the only body returned to Smithfield for burial in 1921. The entire community attended his funeral which was held in the Smithfield Tabernacle.

John L Sorenson, Professor of Anthropology at BYU grew up in Smithfield. He was so impressed when he heard Willie Pilkington tell about meeting Martin Harris. Then Willie bore his testimony of the Book of Mormon to the primary children in the Tabernacle. That experience led John to his lifelong occupation of documenting the sites of the Book of Mormon. He is still writing books. He has offered a collection of his books to the new library when it comes.

Another member of the community (name not given) learned how to play the organ in the Tabernacle. The organ sat up high. The first time she performed, she got so scared that she ran out of the building. She conquered her fears and later taught piano and organ lessons that affected the lives of handfults of many of the youth in this community. She is grateful for what is being done, especially to Councilmember Jeff Barnes.

Mr. Barnes said we have some things we can do. He knows there are many things that need to be done. Mr. Gittins noted that the Historical Society has a lot to offer. Recently it was brought to Mr. Gittins's attention that when Travelers Insurance was doing an assessment they were told the steeple came off because of damage from the earthquake in 1962. That was not possible. Mayor Van Orden was in office when the steeple came down. He was mayor until 1957. The 1962 earthquake had nothing to do with the decision to take off the steeple.

Mr. Gittins said the next meeting for the Historical Society is on Tuesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Center. Kurt Huffaker, who is director of the Utah Heritage Foundation, will be in attendance. All are invited to come.

Mr. Gittins said they recently sent out a letter with a questionnaire asking about histories. They have some, but would like more.

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The Founder's Day Committee –Mr. Erickson asked those in attendance to please support this committee.

The Pioneer Biography Committee – There is a large collection of historic pictures. Mr. Erickson is grateful to act as president of this society. He has lived here for 53 years. Smithfield is his home. It is comforting to know there is a community where neighbors care about neighbors, where children can safely play. We can best serve the community when there is open communication. There is no secret agenda. We are mindful of our pioneer ancestry. Together we can accomplish great things for our community. Mr. Erickson attended Summit School and each day he passed by the tabernacle. He was in awe of the building. He does not see a building that is 110 years old. He sees inscribed on those bricks the names of those who gave their lives for this community. The Smithfield Tabernacle is a monument. There is a large crowd assembled here tonight. They are here to show their support for the preservation of the tabernacle. When the pioneers built the tabernacle, they built it in the heart of Smithfield. Today, it is the heart of Smithfield.

Mayor Simmons thanked Mr. Erickson for a very well prepared presentation. He will support looking at what can be done with the tabernacle.

Mayor Simmons asked Councilmember Jeff Barnes to please continue to work not only on the tabernacle, but in keeping in contact with the historical society. Mayor Simmons suggestion a report every two weeks on things that the society is doing.

Councilmember Jeff Barnes wants to reassure residents that this is the intent and always has been.

Jeff Gittins stated he and his wife took groups of youth on a walking tour from Heritage Park. The favorite stop was at the tabernacle. We will involve the youth more.

Mayor Simmons said we need to make sure that we are making progress. Councilmember Barnes will make sure there is a report each time we meet.

There were no comments from Councilmember Watkins.

Councilmember Barbara Kent said she is thrilled at what has been done. She wondered who could give tours to the little children.

We should direct people to Ralph Erickson, President of the Historical Society.

Councilmember Kris Monson said she was amazed that so many people have come together about the historical society. She wondered if the museum was going to be opened during Health Days. She will include this on Facebook.

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Councilmember Jeff Barnes was amazed at the support and interest here. He will look at a committee for tours through the little museum.

Councilmember Brent Buttars wondered if someone deals with tours that are in the museum. The answer was, "Yes, Glen Jay Thornley."

City Recorder Dean Clegg told Mr. Erickson that when the Historical Society meets as a group they must keep minutes of the meeting and forward them to him. Mr. Clegg also told Mr. Erickson if they meet in the tabernacle, please let him know so chairs can be available for the meeting.

Mr. Erickson said they would like to put carpet on the west side of the building. They have a donor that will furnish the flooring and labor.

City Manager Jim Gass said there are some limited grant funds available (\$5,000) that can be used to evaluate the building. If we were successful in being awarded funds, we would be required to match the grant in an equal amount.

Mr. Erickson said when that assessment is done, they want someone from the historical committee to be present in case there are questions. Mr. Erickson was invited to come back and report to the City council on May 9.

Hearing a Report from the Recreation Department

Brett Daniels, Director of the Rec Center was in attendance. He showed a summary of what has taken place in their department. Their mission statement is to provide a variety of quality programs. He added the attendance at the Rec Center has increased by 69%. The Rec Center programs include 220 adult teams and there are over 1,300 games being played.

Summer Activities – They have four races planned for the summer with the Health Days race being the biggest. They have teamed up with Common Ground of Logan. Health Days plans are going well. The attendance was dwindling on the Concerts in the Park so there are no plans to continue that tradition this year. Instead they will be looking to offering Movies in the Park. Last year there were three movies and they were very well attended. We had 113 rentals of the Senior Citizen's Center last year; and now that the Civic Center is complete they expect more interest in that building. We have been able to do some amazing things with money we have received from the RAPZ. We have received over a half million dollars from RAPZ since 2004.

The Civic Center was a three-year project, but comments are very favorable. We have made improvements to the classrooms and the public seems to be very pleased. In addition, the improvements appear to be responsible for significant energy savings.

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Renovation of the grandstand and concession stand at the Blue Sox Diamond was completed.

The Rec Center opened in November 2000. There is a plan to re-roof the Rec Center this year. The roofing did not last as long as they hoped it would when first constructed. We have budgeted for this new roof and the work will be done this summer.

Councilmember Kris Monson said it is a pleasure to work with the Rec Center. She added that Mr. Daniels does an awesome job. He hires great people. People there are dedicated to their jobs. It is a nice addition to our community.

Councilmember Brent Buttars asked if we wanted to get something to cover the floor at the civic center.

Mr. Daniels answered that they bring the big mats from Sky View on occasion. It would be nice to have something that we could roll out.

Councilmember Jeff Barnes said he has been contacted by a parent who has a son who plays competitive baseball. He wonders why the fields in town are not used for that.

Mr. Daniels said they are, we get with coaches and they are using the fields every Saturday. Parking is very heavy, because there are soccer games being played at the same time so we need to be careful not to over schedule.

Mayor Simmons asked Mr. Daniels if he worked with the Chamber of Commerce at all.

Mr. Daniels answered, "Yes, he attends their meetings – the Chamber is doing a good job. We can benefit from each other. They can benefit from us."

City Manager Jim Gass went to the Blue Sox Diamond last weekend to look at the parking situation. It as a zoo. Everyone has an answer. Mr. Gass told them there are 200 available parking stalls down by the equestrian area. No one knew there was parking down there. He suggested a banner directing patrons to additional parking down there?

Mr. Daniels said this week we will put word out of the availability of parking down there.

Councilmember Barbara Kent asked if it would be worthwhile to have a permanent sign saying, "Parking at the West".

City Manager Gass suggested we go with a banner and see how it works. Then we could put up a parking sign if it's successful.

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Consideration of Resolution 12-04, “A Resolution Amending the Community Development and Housing Plan for the City of Smithfield, Utah”

City Manager Gass said this is a list that describes the capital improvements anticipated by the city over the next several years. It also identifies which projects have been done and the status of those in progress. The council reviews the Plan every year and this is an up date to that ongoing list.

Councilmember Jeff Barnes inquired about the number of railroad boings the city is planning. Mr. Gass reported that there are four that need to be done, but only three would be done this year.

Mayor Simmons asked if everyone had a chance to review this.

Councilmember Dennis Watkins questioned if the new library was included on the list. It was.

Councilmember Brent Buttars asked what about parking on the east end of Forrester Acres.

City Manager Gass said it could be added to “Parking”. Should we add additional parking at Forrester Acres? This can be added.

Motion: Councilmember Kris Monson made a motion to approve **Resolution 12-04,”**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dennis Watkins. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Yea: Councilmembers Barnes, Buttars, Kent, Monson, and Watkins
Nay: None
Motion Passes

RESOLUTION 12-04

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING PLAN FOR THE CITY OF SMITHFIELD, UTAH.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Smithfield City recognizes the need for continuous monitoring of the housing and infrastructure needs of the community and have therefore adopted the “SMITHFIELD CITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING PLAN”; and

WHEREAS, to further the goals of the above PLAN, have identified certain capital improvement projects to sustain and enhance the life style of Smithfield City; and

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WHEREAS, in order to schedule and prioritize the order in which these improvements will be done, have prepared a CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITY LIST; and

WHEREAS, the City Council feels the changing needs of the community requires that this list be updated and amended from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Smithfield City that a certain document entitled "SMITHFIELD CITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING PLAN" be amended as follows:

The capital Improvement Priority List as included in the above described PLAN shall hereby be amended and is attached to this resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of Smithfield City, Utah this 25th day of April, 2012.

SMITHFIELD CITY CORPORATION

/s/ Darrell G. Simmons

Darrell G. Simmons, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ O. Dean Clegg

O. Dean Clegg, Recorder

Mayor Simmons to Read a Proclamation Declaring Saturday, May 12, 2012, as Arbor Day

Mayor Simmons read a Proclamation written by City Manager Jim Gass. The proclamation was to proclaim Saturday, May 12, 2012, as Arbor Day.

Councilmember Brent Buttars said the Lions Club has offered to be involved in tree planting in the city. Councilmember Kris Monson said Phyllis Smith of the Tree Committee made a presentation to the Lions Club. City Manager Jim Gass said we purchase most of our trees from a nursery in Oregon get a good price on bare root trees. The primary contact on planting trees in Smithfield is Chad Kendrick. Dixon Allen is also involved as a member of the tree committee. The tree committee will have a booth at Health Days.

Consideration for Approval for the Mayor to Sign an Inter-local Agreement with Cache County for Road Repairs

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This is an agreement with Cache County for spraying weeds and chipping roads in the city. Councilmember Jeff Barnes asked City Manager Gass if he is satisfied with the weed spraying the county is doing. City Manager Gass said we typically do our own spraying, but when we do use them, they do a good job.

Motion: Councilmember Jeffrey Barnes made a motion to approve the mayor to sign an inter-local agreement with Cache County for chipping and weed spraying. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brent Buttars. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes cast:

Yea: Councilmembers Barnes, Buttars, Kent, Monson, and Watkins
Nay: None
Motion Passes

City Manager Items

New Ordinance

There is an ordinance coming to the council that has already gone to the Planning Commission. It deals with residential facilities for the elderly and disabled. (Ordinance 12-02). Mr. Gass has sent it to our attorney, Bruce Jorgensen for finishing touches. It is extensive. It's important to understand that under the definition for disabled persons a wide variety of individuals are covered including those who are recovering from addictions. Because the definition has been created by the federal government, the city must include those groups. The intent is to provide a facility to house individuals who fall within these major demographic groups in an attempt to meet their immediate and long terms needs. Those who are current abusers of illegal substances or alcohol are excluded He asked council members to please read through the document and if they have questions, please let him know. It is on the agenda for May 9 City Council Meeting. It will be a public hearing.

Neighborhood Non Profit

Mr. Gass received an e-mail from Neighborhood Non Profit. He passed out an invitation to council members to come attend their open house on May 5, 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Budget

City Manager Gass has made all the changes in the budget that was talked about. He put money back in for Movies in the Park, Christmas parties, and fireworks for 2013 and the budget is balanced. He will e-mail a complete copy to all council members

Mayor and Council Reports

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Councilmember Buttars' Report

Councilmember Buttars said that on 400 South from 300 East to 400 East, the public and athletes are parking along the street and walking across private property to gain access to the athletic fields. City Manager Gass said Police Chief McCoy has been talking with those involved in attempt to resolve the problem.

City Recorder Dean Clegg asked Councilmember Buttars to please come into the office to talk about the cemetery.

Councilmember Barnes' Report

On April 17, Councilmember Barnes and city employee Chad Kendrick went to Weber State to attend a Tree City USA meeting. They got a certificate for 19 years. The Tree Committee met on April 18 – they are looking forward to having a booth at Health Days. They do a great job.

Mayor Simmons assigned Councilmember Barnes to work with the Lion's Club. Barnes suggested the assignment be given to Councilmember Brent Buttars since he is already a member of the Lions Club. He then asked Councilmember Buttars was asked and accepted the assignment.

Councilmember Monson's Report

Councilmember Kris Monson reported Parks and Trails committee wants help on Sunset Park. City Manager Gass said the city crew is moving forward on the improvements, but would welcome any suggestions from the committee.

There is a fundraiser for Travis Kidman this Saturday at 4:00 p.m. at Mack Park. We are trying to help this family out. Mr. Kidman has had a recurrence of his cancer.

Councilmember Kent's Report

The Senior Citizens Center will be receiving five new couches made of a material that can be easily cleaned. City Recorder Dean Clegg said the old ones need to go to the land fill.

Youth Council applications will be accepted until the end of the month. Leadership conference for Youth Council will be this Saturday.

Councilmember Watkins Report

Councilmember Watkins said an independent non-profit organization called "Friends of the

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Library has been established and he has written an article for the front page of the newsletter concerning the library. Mayor Simmons has solicited help to raise money for a new library and a couple has come forward volunteering to be involved in raising funds.

During the audit, City Recorder Clegg may need the mayor to come in to explain the Friends funding portion of the audit.

Councilmember Watkins inquired about the possibility of allowing residents to contribute to Friends of the Library through payment on their monthly utility billing. City Recorder Clegg said we currently have a non-utility charge such as the administration fee which was added to the bill. City Manager Gass cautioned the council against a mandatory assessment on the utility bill, but suggested a voluntary contribution could be made. Watkins proposed the possibility of residents who want to make monthly contributions to the Friends of the Library being able to do so when they pay their utility bill. The city would then providing an easy way mechanism for residents.

City Recorder Dean Clegg said, we could add an item such as “Committed Donation and track how much of each utility payment is to be set aside. City Manager Gass suggested we talk with the auditors, with software people, and with our attorney to verify the legality of the process.

Councilmember Barbara Kent reminded officials she will not be here during much of June. She definitely will be gone for the June 13th meeting, could possibly be back by June 27th.

Mayor Simmons' Report

Mayor Simmons thanked all council members for attending League this year. He felt the accommodations were great.

Glen Jay Thornley did a great job with the presentation from the Lion's Club. Lewis Pitcher was awarded the “Outstanding Citizen” of the year. Mr. Pitcher could not be there, but his wife Mary Lee accepted it on Lewis' behalf.

The Children's Play “Alice in Wonderland” will be on May 11 and 12.

Mayor Simmons received a letter from Mark Daines, Principal of Summit School. Summit School will be having a celebration recognizing the schools 100th birthday on May 17, 2012. Entertainment will be by “Lilliam” at 6:00p.m., on the grassy area north of the building. Please RSVP by May 10th for special seating. Mayor Simmons will make the reservations.

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Appointment of CVTD Board Member

Heidi Harper has been suggested as a board member of the Cache Valley Transit District.

Motion: Councilmember Barbara Kent made a motion to appoint Heidi Harper to be a Board Member of the Cache Valley Transit District. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kris Monson. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes counted:

Yea: Councilmembers Barnes, Buttars, Kent, Monson, and Watkins

Nay: None

Motion Passes

Adjournment

Motion: Councilmember Kris Monson made a motion to adjourn. All were in agreement. Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved and signed this 9th day of May, 2012.

SMITHFIELD CITY CORPORATION

ATTEST:

Darrell G. Simmons, Mayor

O. Dean Clegg, Recorder