

RIVERTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
Regular Council Meeting
Held January 6, 2015
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was held on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor Ronald O. Warpness at 7:00 p.m. City Council Members present were Rich Gard, Martin Cannan, Mary Ellen Christensen, Jonathan Faubion, and Kyle Larson. Council Member Christensen led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Warpness declared a quorum of the Council.

City Staff present were City Administrator Steven M. Weaver, City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender, Public Works Director Kyle J. Butterfield, Community Development Director Sandy Luers, Chief of Police Mike Broadhead, Judge Teresa M. McKee and City Secretary Brandi Johnson.

Approval of the Agenda – Council Member Christensen moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication from the Floor/Response to Citizen's Comments – None.

Consent Agenda – City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender read the consent agenda items by title only: Approval of the Minutes – December 16, 2014 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of the Minutes – January 5, 2015, 2014 Finance Committee Meeting; Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendations – January 6, 2015 - claims to be paid in the amount of \$2,045,108.10, checks written for payroll/liabilities for 12/18/2014 in the amount of \$420,754.52, manual checks written in the amount of \$10,370.00, for a total of \$2,476,232.62; Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Christensen to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

FY 14 Annual Audit Report – Presentation by Mader Tschacher Peterson & Co., LLC. – Dennis Tschacher from Mader Tschacher Peterson & Co., LLC. provided a brief summary, telephonically, of the Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Audit Report noting that it was a clean audit report.

Council Members' Comments & Roundtable – Council Member Christensen thanked the citizens of Riverton, municipal staff and encouraged interested citizens to serve on the City Council. Council Member Gard thanked the municipal staff and the citizens of his Ward for allowing him to represent them. Council Members Cannan, Faubion, and Larson all stated they enjoyed serving with outgoing Council Member's Christensen and Gard and were looking forward to serving with the new Council Member's Bailey and Martinez.

Mayor's Comments – Mayor Ron Warpness – Mayor Ron Warpness addressed the Council, audience, and staff regarding his four (4) year term as Mayor. Mayor Warpness commented on successes such as the 1% tax, the construction of the Job Corps., Fix Our Roads Committee, new DCI building, extension of Webbwood Road, Airport Task Force, just to name a few. Mayor Warpness expressed his sadness over the loss of city employee Bill Urbigkit and thanked staff for all of their hard work.

Recognition of Outgoing Elected Officials – Mayor Ron Warpness made a presentation to outgoing Council Member's Christensen and Gard for their years of service on the City Council. City Administrator Steven M. Weaver recognized and thanked Mayor Ron Warpness for his years of service and his successes during his term.

Introduction of Mayor – Elect; John L. "Lars" Baker - Mayor Ron Warpness presented Mayor – Elect John L. Baker with the gavel and introduced him to the audience and staff members.

Introduction of Newly Elected Council Members; Lee Martinez – Ward II and Mike Bailey – Ward III – Mayor Ron Warpness presented the newest elected members of the City Council Lee Martinez to Ward II and Mike Bailey to Ward III to the audience and staff members.

Administration of Oath of Office for Newly Elected and Re – Elected Officials – Judge Teresa M. McKee conducted the Oath of Office for Mayor John L. Baker, Councilman Mike Bailey, Councilman Martin Cannan, Councilman Lee Martinez, Councilman Jonathan Faubion, and Councilman Kyle Larson.

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was continued on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor John L. Baker. City Council Members present were Mike Bailey, Martin Cannan, Lee Martinez, Jonathan Faubion, and Kyle Larson. Mayor Baker declared a quorum of the Council.

Approval of Balance of the Agenda – Mayor Baker entertained a motion for the approval of the balance of the Agenda. Council Member Martinez made a motion to approve the balance of the agenda, seconded by Council Member Larson. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication from the Floor – Citizen's Comments – Miss Ginny Carlson Warren, owner of The Roost approached the Mayor and Council for the approval of a Catering Permit for the Cattleman's Association Dinner to be held on Saturday, January 10, 2015. She sought approval of the Catering Permit as she did not submit the permit in time before the City Council Agenda had been sent out.

Consideration of Catering Permit's - Catering Permit Applications received by the City Clerk's office: Lapeyre Ent., Inc. – January 24, 2015, Wild Turkey Foundation Annual Banquet @ Fremont Center, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., Lapeyre Ent., Inc., Fremont County Fire Protection District Annual Banquet @ St. Margaret's Gym, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., Bar Ten – January 24, 2015, Retirement Party for Employee with Intermountain Electric @ Reach Center, 4:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., and LaPeyre – February 7, 2015, WWWC Crab Crack @ St. Margaret's Gym, 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Ms. Courtney V. Bohlender addressed the Council regarding an application from Miss Ginny Carlson Warren that had been received as of today's date at 4:00 p.m. for a Catering Permit by Creole Cowboy LLC. d/b/a Miss Ginny's Roost to cater an event on Saturday, January 10, 2015 at the Riverton Armory. Council Member

Martinez moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve the catering permits. After some discussion regarding the recent application from The Roost, Council Member Faubion moved to amend the consideration of Catering Permits to include the application from the Roost, seconded by Council Member Larson. The motion on the amendment passed unanimously. The main motion to approve the catering permits was also passed unanimously.

Leadership Ballot – City Administrator Steven M. Weaver gave a brief description of the roles of the President and Vice President of the City Council. Chief Broadhead and Mr. Weaver administered the secret ballot vote for the President and Vice President of the Council. Due to a tie vote for President of the Council, a second secret ballot was conducted. Mr. Weaver then announced Council Member Faubion as the Council President. After the ballots for Vice President were collected and tallied, Mr. Weaver announced Council Member Lee Martinez will be serving as the Vice President of the Council.

Appointment of Councilman Lee Martinez to the School District #25 Recreation Board – Mayor Baker announced that he would like to appoint Council Member’s Lee Martinez and Martin Cannan to the School District #25 Recreation Board. Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Council Member’s Lee Martinez and Martin Cannan to the School District #25 Recreation Board. The motion passed unanimously with Council Member Martinez abstaining.

Appointment of Municipal Court Judge, Alternate Court Judge, and City Attorney – Mayor Baker announced that he would like to appoint Judge Teresa M. McKee as Municipal Judge, Aaron Vincent as Alternate Judge, and Rick Sollars at City Attorney. Council Member Faubion moved to approve the Mayor’s appointment, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Municipal Court Judge Teresa M. McKee, Alternate Judge Aaron Vincent and City Attorney Rick Sollars. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1307 – Designation of Official Depositories – Director of Administrative Services/City Clerk Courtney V. Bohlender presented the Council with Resolution No. 1307, which designates Central Bank & Trust, US Bank, and Wells Fargo Bank as Official Depositories for the City of Riverton. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve Resolution No. 1307. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1308 – Designation of Legal Newspaper – Director of Administrative Services/City Clerk Courtney V. Bohlender presented the Council with Resolution No. 1308 which designates The Riverton Ranger as the Official Means of Publication. Council Member Martinez moved, seconded by Council Member Faubion to approve Resolution No. 1308. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 15-001, 3rd & Final Reading – Repealing/Revising RMC Title 2 – Article 3 – Rules of Procedure - City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender read Ordinance No. 15-001 by title only. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve Ordinance No. 15-001 on third and final reading. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion passed unanimously with all members voting aye.

Council Members’ Roundtable – Council Member’s Bailey, Cannan, Martinez, and Larson all said “thank you” for the opportunity to serve on the City Council and looked forward to working with the newly elected City Council.

City Administrator’s Report – City Administrator Steven M. Weaver reported that he was looking forward to working with the new Council and briefly discussed Wyoming Association of Municipalities Winter Workshop and the need for a voting delegate. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to designate the Mayor as the primary voter/representative with Council Member Martinez as the alternate. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor’s Comments – Mayor Baker addressed the Council, City Staff, and audience with his gratitude to serve as the new Mayor of the City of Riverton. Mayor Baker stated to the citizen’s that if a need arises to feel free to contact him and also mentioned that there were vacancies on several of the City of Riverton committees/boards/commissions and to please apply.

Adjourn – There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Larson moved, seconded by Council Member Martinez to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY OF RIVERTON, WYOMING

John L. Baker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Courtney V. Bohlender
City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services

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