

1 **FILLMORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

2 February 4, 2014

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4 *Minutes of the regular meeting of the Fillmore City Council held February 4, 2014 in the Council*
5 *Chambers of the Fillmore City Building. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was posted on the*
6 *Utah State Public Notice website, the Fillmore City website, the Council Chambers, the City Office*
7 *bulletin board, and the President Millard Fillmore Library. Notice was also provided to the Chronicle-*
8 *Progress, radio stations KMTI and KNAK, and each member of the governing body on January 31,*
9 *2014. Those present were:*

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11 Mayor: Eugene R. Larsen Council: Michael D. Holt
12 Attorney: Greg Greathouse N. Wayne Jackson
13 Recorder: Marlene Cummings Eric R. Jenson
14 Deborah S. Oepfinger
15 Excused: Michael K. Rhinehart

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17 Others: Lt. Morris Burton, Commissioner Alan Roper, Laurie Mathews, Cub
18 Scouts: Leader Cathy Thompson, Nathan Thompson, Jet Nez, Bill
19 Thompson, Ian Dearden
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21 6:30 p.m. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Larsen
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23 **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

24 Minutes

25 **MOTION:** To approve the minutes of the meeting held January 21, 2014 as
26 **amended.**
27 **By:** Councilmember Jackson
28 **Second:** Councilmember Oepfinger
29 **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.
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31 Bills – Payroll

32 **MOTION:** To approve the January 31, 2014 payroll and payment of the bills
33 **listed on the invoice register dated January 22 – February 4, 2014.**
34 **By:** Councilmember Oepfinger
35 **Second:** Councilmember Jenson
36 **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.
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38 Building Permit

39 13-29 Kern River for a new warehouse at 560 West 900 South
40 14-01 John Peterson for a sunroom addition to home at 250 East 500 South
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42 **COMMUNICATIONS AND REQUESTS**

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44 Law Enforcement Report

45 Lt. Morris Burton distributed two reports:

- 46 • December 2013 – There were 3 accidents, 15 citations for 20 violations, 124 CAD
47 calls, 110 incidents, and 20 arrests for 65 offenses.

- 48 • 2013 Annual Report showing the statistics for the year. There were a total of 28
- 49 accidents, 1357 CAD calls, 1118 incidents, and 117 citations issued for 248 violations.
- 50 There were also 179 arrests (some repeat offenders) for 356 offenses.
- 51 • There has been a rash of burglaries in the county. Two fifteen year olds were arrested
- 52 for auto burglaries in Delta and are being held in state detention. Eight auto burglaries
- 53 were reported in Fillmore. The thieves took radio/stereo units and one firearm. Lt.
- 54 Burton said people need to be sure their vehicles are locked.
- 55 • A deputy responded to a 911 call from a disoriented elderly gentleman about his toilet
- 56 “acting up”. The deputy, who is also a licensed contractor, fixed the toilet.
- 57 • Service Drug in Fillmore has been burglarized three times in the last few months. A
- 58 suspect from the last episode was arrested the day it happened and two more were
- 59 arrested the next day. One of them, the chauffer, claimed he wasn’t guilty because he
- 60 never entered the store; however, the attorney finally convinced him that being the
- 61 driver of the vehicle made him an accomplice and he would be charged the same as the
- 62 other two offenders.

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64 Millard County Commission Report

- 65 • Commissioner Alan Roper expressed public condolences to the Rhinehart families for
- 66 the sad loss of their son and grandson and said their pain is shared by the whole
- 67 community.
- 68 • The county submitted a list of priorities for capital improvements to the Utah State
- 69 Office of Economic Development. Upgrading the Rocky Mountain Power line was
- 70 number one on the list. It appears the upgrade is in the planning stages. He praised the
- 71 Mayor for his tireless efforts in pursuing this much needed upgrade.
- 72 • Another project on the list is getting natural gas into the Flowell and Southerland areas.
- 73 • Commissioner Roper said the leadership on the state level is interested and concerned
- 74 about what is happening in the rural areas.
- 75 • The Commission has been meeting with IPA to determine how to plan for tax revenues
- 76 for the next four years.
- 77 • Payment-in-lieu of Taxes (PILT) from the federal government is on the cutting board.
- 78 There is a lot of federal-owned land in Millard County and the PILT payments are vital
- 79 to funding the county budget. If this money is withheld it would have a devastating
- 80 effect.
- 81 • There was a tour of the Magnum underground gas storage project. Salt caverns are
- 82 being hollowed out and a rail spur built to transport the gas. A spin off from this
- 83 venture could be a salt manufacturing business.
- 84 • The Sevier Lake Potash Project is in the permitting stages and doing the final testing.
- 85 The County is working with BLM to extend Sunflower Lane (1500 South) to provide a
- 86 faster route to the potash operations for employees living in East Millard. There could
- 87 be at least 80 full time jobs.
- 88 • He complimented the Cub Scouts that were present for working on their Citizenship in
- 89 the Community Merit badge.
- 90 • The Commissioner has hopes for great things to happen in the years ahead. There are
- 91 many projects in the works that could bring jobs and growth to the area.

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93 Fire Department Report

94 No Report.

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Chamber of Commerce Report

President Laurie Mathews distributed a preliminary schedule of events the Chamber is planning for the year. They have kept the activities that were successful last year and added others they hope will draw people to Fillmore to help the local businesses. She went through the list month by month.

- The Mardi Gras Parade was a big hit last year and will be repeated again in March. The Chamber had been approached about taking over the Street Fair, but has the same problem as the library: there are not enough volunteers to do it. The Mile Long Yard Sale was another well supported event as was the Halloween Main Street Trick or Treat night. Each month the Chamber will spotlight a different business with an article in the newspaper, and will honor different members at their quarterly luncheons.
- She had heard some negative reports following the last ATV Jamboree and wondered if the sponsors could use some customer service training. Mayor Larsen explained that former Commissioner Whatcott attributed the negative comments to disgruntled committee members who are no longer on the committee.
- The Chamber has some new members, but still doesn't have a vice-president.

Councilmember Jackson said that he appreciated the Chamber members helping with the Veterans Day dinner.

BUSINESS

Resolution 14-02 Approving the Wastewater Self-Assessment Report

Councilmember Jenson asked if a second operator should be added to Part IV, Operator Certification.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 14-02 approving the Wastewater Self-Assessment Report as amended.

By: Councilmember Jackson

Second: Councilmember Oeppinger

Vote: Councilmember Jenson Yes

Councilmember Jackson Yes

Councilmember Oeppinger Yes

Councilmember Holt Yes

Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Jenson

Water

- Ross Cummings and John Mitchell planned to go to Spanish Fork today to see how the new "smart" water meters work. However the trip was postponed due to the snow storm.

141 Councilmember Jackson

142 **CERT**

- 143 • CERT training will be held February 21 and 22 at the Public Safety Building from 6:00
144 to 9:00 p.m. each night. It will be repeated in Delta at the Posse Barn on February 23
145 and March 1. There must be at least 10 people to conduct the trainings and they must
146 attend all four classes.
- 147 • There will be a CERT conference in Richfield sometime in April.
- 148 • The Great Utah Shakeout will be April 17 at 10:15 a.m.
- 149 • The quarterly CERT meeting is scheduled for February 22 at 10:00 a.m.
- 150 • The CERT trailer is still being set up.
- 151 • Sunrise Engineering printed a new CERT map in larger detail.

152 **Other**

- 153 • Day at the Legislature was a great experience. Councilmember Jackson was impressed
154 with the Youth City Council Program and would like to get one going. It was noted
155 that Fillmore City sponsored a Youth City Council for many years until the youth
156 become disinterested and volunteer leadership could not be recruited. The city office
157 staff kept it going for the last five or six years before the city discontinued the program
158 because there were no signups.

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160 Councilmember Oeppinger

161 **Library**

- 162 • March 5 will be Dr. Seuss Day at the library.

163 **Historic Preservation**

- 164 • Great Basin Heritage Board will have a planning meeting and two days of workshops in
165 Delta on March 14 and 15.

166 **Animal Control**

- 167 • Mrs. Oeppinger distributed a copy of an article she had written for the *Chronicle-*
168 *Progress* which had a happy ending when a lost dog was reunited with its owners
169 following an interstate accident.

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171 Councilmember Holt

172 **Fire Department**

- 173 • The big fire truck will be out of commission for a few weeks while it is being repaired;
174 Scipio has provided a loaner for backup until the Fillmore truck is back in service.

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176 Attorney Greathouse

- 177 • There are over 300 House Bills before the state legislature this year but Attorney
178 Greathouse could access only 200 on his computer. He gave a brief overview of the
179 ones that may affect the city. He will be following them closely.

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181 Mayor Larsen

- 182 • Cal VanDyke of Black Dirt met with the Mayor recently. The company is doing well
183 and plans to erect some greenhouse type covers to provide shelter for the operations
184 until a facility can be built. After Black Dirt's product was applied on one acre of old
185 ground the corn yield broke a record of 488 bushes. It is also being used as an additive
186 in ice melt products.

- 187 • Chalk Creek Irrigation Company is using inmate labor to help clean the creek bed.
188 This is a much needed project and a cost effective way to get it done.
189 • IPA – Utah State Senator Ralph Okerlund will be visiting with Monroe and Beaver
190 about their reluctance to sign the IPA agreements. The governing boards of these two
191 entities have the misconception that by refusing to sign, they are protecting the jobs of
192 their citizens that drive coal trucks.
193 • The Rocky Mountain Power transmission line upgrade has moved from the talking
194 stage to the planning and funding stages.
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196 **ADJOURNMENT**

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198 **MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.**
199 **By: Councilmember Jenson**
200 **Second: Councilmember Holt**
201 **Vote: Unanimous**
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203 The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m. The next meeting will be held February 18, 2014 at 6:30
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208 APPROVED February 18, 2014

Eugene R. Larsen, Mayor

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212 ATTEST: _____
213 Marlene Cummings, CMC
214 City Recorder
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