

Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

The Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 15th day of April, 2008 at 6:30 p.m., for a meeting held in the Murray City Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, Utah.

Roll Call consisted of the following:

Krista Dunn,	Council Chair
Pat Griffiths,	Council Member - Conducted
Robbie Robertson,	Council Member
Jim Brass,	Council Member
Jeff Dredge,	Council Member

Others who attended:

Daniel Snarr,	Mayor
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
G.L. Critchfield,	Deputy City Attorney
Pete Fondaco,	Police Chief
Craig Burnett,	Assistant Police Chief
Doug Hill,	Public Services Director
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Mark Mehrer,	Police Officer
Philip Mehrer,	Police Officer
Jim Hendrickson,	Shade Tree Commission
Morgan Selph,	Parks & Recreation Board Appointee
Citizens	

A. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Officer Mark Mehrer
2. Ms. Griffiths invited the attending Boy Scouts to stand and introduce themselves, their leaders, and state what merit badges they are working on.
3. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Dredge made a motion to approve the minutes of April 01, 2008.
Ms. Dunn 2nd the motion.

Voice vote taken; All Ayes

4. Special Recognitions:

1. **Swearing in of Philip Mehrer as a new Police Officer of the Murray City Police Department.**

Pete Fondaco, Police Chief, introduced Philip Mehrer as a new police officer with Murray City.

Swearing in ceremony conducted by Carol Heales.

Officer Mehrer introduced his family and friends.

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Comments are limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise approved by the Council.)

None Given

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of Morgan Selph to the Murray Parks and Recreation Advisory Board representing District #1 to complete the remaining time for a three year term expiring January 17, 2011.**

Ms. Griffiths read the nomination.

Mr. Robertson made a motion to approve the appointment.

Ms. Dunn 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

<u> A </u>	Ms. Dunn
<u> A </u>	Mr. Dredge
<u> A </u>	Mr. Robertson
<u> A </u>	Mr. Brass
<u> A </u>	Ms. Griffiths

Motion passed 5-0

Ms. Griffiths asked Mr. Selph to stand and be recognized.

Mayor Snarr added that he was very impressed with Mr. Selph's resume, and stated that Mr. Selph had worked on the para-sailing facility at the Point of the

Mountain, is a former landscaper, and will bring much to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Ms. Griffiths concurred, adding that the City is very fortunate to have so many talented individuals who are willing to serve.

D. Public Hearing(s)

None Scheduled

E. Unfinished Business

None Scheduled

F. New Business

1. **Consider an Ordinance enacting Chapter 8.24, repealing Section 8.04.050, and amending Chapter 8.04 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to weed control.**

Staff Presentation: Doug Hill, Public Services Director

Mr. Hill stated that the Murray City Municipal Code previously adopted the Salt Lake Valley Health Department's regulations specifically on how to enforce weeds that are growing in the City, and that established a process that we should follow in order to get those weeds cut. We have recently learned that the SLVHD had removed that section out of their regulations.

This Ordinance would establish a process whereby Murray City, specifically the Code Enforcement Zoning Officer, can approach property owners who have weeds that are out of control on their property and get them cut. If they fail to cut the weeds within a certain time frame, the City can hire someone to go out and get the weeds cut on the properties and follow a process outlined in the Ordinance to recover the costs of the weed removal.

One other minor change within the Ordinance is that it corrects the name of the Salt Lake Valley Health Department to reflect the new name they now use.

Mr. Brass made a motion to approve the confirmation.
Mr. Robertson 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

 A Ms. Dunn
 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths

Motion passed 5-0

Mayor Report

Mayor Snarr read a news release from the National Arbor Day Foundation which he recently received. The news release stated that Murray City has, for the 31st year, has been named one of their “Tree City USA” by the Foundation for honoring their commitment to community forestry. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. Murray City has met the 4 requirements: A Tree Board, a Tree Care Ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day Observance.

This award recognizes the City, the work of elected officials, staff and citizens who plant and care for the community forest.

The Mayor, in conjunction with the City Council, read the Arbor Day Proclamation, and presented the Proclamation to Jim Hendrickson of the Murray Shade Tree Commission. He thanked all of the members of the Commission for their hard work. The Mayor announced that the annual Arbor Day celebration will be held on April 25, 2008.

Mr. Hendrickson stated that he is proud to be a citizen of such a beautiful city, and for the many things that Murray has. He stated that it has been an honor to represent the City on the Shade Tree & Beautification Commission.

Mayor Snarr also noted that there has been significant progress on the Jordan River Project and restoration, and thanked Salt Lake County for their efforts in re-stabilizing and re-vegetating the area.

Questions of the Mayor

None

Adjournment