

Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

The Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 19th day of February, 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
Robbie Robertson,	Council Member - Conducted
Jim Brass,	Council Member
Jeff Dredge,	Council Member

Others who attended:

Daniel Snarr,	Mayor
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Doug Hill,	Public Services Director
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Janet Lopez,	Council Administrative Secretary
Dennis Hamblin,	Community Development Director
Blaine Haacke,	General Manager, Power Department
Scott Stanger,	City Engineer
Samuel Skaggs,	Murray City Police Department
Doug Roberts,	Murray City Police Department
Roy Halford,	Murray City Police Department
Mike Fernandez,	Murray City Police Department
Mike Romero,	Murray Exchange Club President
Sheri Van Bibber,	Murray Exchange Club
Steve Sanderson,	New Police Officer
Gil Rodriquez,	Fire Chief
Jonathan Jastram,	Fire Fighter
Aaron Harris,	Fire Fighter
Russ Jensen,	Fire Fighter
Kelly Farrington,	Fire Captain
Citizens	

A. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Lt. Samuel Skaggs, Murray City Police Department.

2. Mr. Robertson 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

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12, 2008
Mr. Brass 2nd the motion.

Voice vote taken; All Ayes

4. Special Recognitions:

1. Special Recognition and Award to a Murray City Fire Fighter by the Murray Exchange Club.

Mike Romero, President Murray Exchange Club

Mr. Romero, on behalf of the Murray Exchange Club, thanked the Mayor and City Council for allowing them the opportunity to present their Community Service Award.

The Exchange America Service Club is a group of men and women working together to make our community a better place to live through programs of service and Americanism; community service, youth activities, and their national program: Prevention of Child Abuse.

Mr. Romero stated that tonight they wanted to recognize two individuals from the Murray Fire Department who have volunteered their time, efforts, and expertise to assist with the hurricane Katrina disaster in New Orleans, Louisiana. The Exchange Club always recognizes individuals or groups in the community who exemplify volunteerism. These efforts are very important in our society, and should not go unnoticed. This award recognizes dedicated volunteers who give endless hours of their time and talents towards making their community a better place to live. Ever since the Exchange Club of Huntington, Indiana sponsored the first award in 1911, thousands of unsung heroes and heroines have been recognized.

Honoring a citizen with this award is a heartwarming and inspiring act, not only for the honoree, but for the community as well.

Mr. Romero introduced Doug Annand III, and Jonathan Jastram of the Murray City Fire Department: Mr. Annand has been with the Fire Department since 1982, first as a part-time firefighter, then accepting a full-time position in 1984. He currently holds a position as engineer,

stationed at Station #83. Mr. Jastrom was hired as a full-time firefighter in 2000, and is very much involved with vehicle extrications and is a student of his profession. He has been instrumental in several comprehensive training programs, as well as writing requests for necessary equipment and tools.

Mr. Romero shared a local press release referencing hurricane Katrina's devastation and costs; the press release credited Murray City's Fire Department with assisting FEMA's request for help and Mr. Annand's and Mr. Jastrom's help.

Mr. Romero and Ms. Van Bibber presented the award to the firefighters present.

Mr. Robertson added his congratulations and thanks to them as well.

2. Swearing-in of Steven Sanderson as a new Police Officer of the Murray City Police Department.

Lt. Doug Roberts introduced Steven Sanderson, stating that Mr. Sanderson comes to the City from a position with the Salt Lake County jail, is a very articulate and professional officer, and the department is happy to have him join the City's "family".

Officer Sanderson introduced his family and friends; stating that when he began his journey, this is where he ultimately wanted to end up and thanked the City for welcoming him.

Swearing-in ceremony conducted by Ms. Carol Heales.

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

None Given

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Consider confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of Natalie Gochnour to the Murray Power Advisory Board as an at-large member to complete the remaining time for a term expiring June 1, 2009.

Mayor Snarr asked that Ms. Gochnour be excused from tonight's meeting due to a time conflict today, and stated that she will be a great asset to this Board.

Ms. Dunn made a motion to approve the confirmation.

Ms. Griffiths 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

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

Motion passed 5-0

D. Public Hearing(s)

Staff and sponsor presentations, public comment and discussion prior to Council action on the following matter:

1. **Consider a Resolution declaring the property located at approximately 628 East Walnut Brook Drive, Murray City, Salt Lake County, State of Utah, as surplus.**

Staff presentation: Scott Stanger, City Engineer

Mr. Stanger explained that this 50' of property was purchased by the City in 1998 to extend a road into the property, should it ever develop. This past year, part of the property was purchased, and the City would like to accommodate the new owner with some existing issues regarding an adjacent wall and road to the property.

The Planning and Zoning Commission has approved the change to allow the wall and driveway to remain in place. Mr. Siebert has agreed to pay for the appraisal and the City will surplus the property.

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing.

Public Hearing Opened for Public Comments

None Given

Public Hearing Closed

Mr. Brass made a motion to adopt the Resolution.
Ms. Dunn 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

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

Motion passed 5-0

2. Staff and sponsor presentations, public comment and discussion prior to Council action on the following matter:

1. **Consider an Ordinance relating to Land Use; Amends Sections 17.24.030(K), (L), and 17.76.150 of the Murray City Municipal Code, relating to vehicles and trailers parked or stored in residential areas.**

Staff presentation: Dennis Hamblin, Community Development Director

Mr. Hamblin stated that this is a housekeeping matter, correcting the Ordinance to read 12,000 lbs gross weight throughout the Ordinance. Currently, the Ordinance refers to both 12,000 & 15,000 lbs gross weight in the home occupations section, and in 17.24.030. This change would correct and unify the Ordinance.

This was reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission on December 20, 2007 in a Public Hearing, and comes with a positive recommendation to the Council.

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing.

Public Hearing Opened for Public Comments

None Given

Public Hearing Closed

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.
Mr. Dredge 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

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

Motion passed 5-0

E Unfinished Business

None Scheduled

F. New Business

1. Consider a Resolution authorizing and approving a prepayment by the City in respect of additional bonds to be issued by Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS), pursuant to the San Juan Project Power Sales Contract; and related matters.

Staff presentation: Blaine Haacke, General Manager, Power Department

Mr. Haacke stated that approximately 15 years ago, Murray City bought into a coal fired resource, the San Juan, New Mexico Unit Four Project. The City has a small sliver, 1.6 megawatts, of this plant; being approximately 3% of the energy coming into the City. As years have gone by, this is not our most efficient resource. This is on about 80-85% of the time (Capacity or Load Factor); compared to the coal-fired plant near Delta, Utah, which is on about 95% of the time. The New Mexico plant is one of the older plants, yet stills serves a niche to Murray in his opinion. It has undergone some major overhauls, and some of the costs began to escalate. As a result, the cost to pay for the overhauls and the other maintenance work has become fairly expensive.

The City is a member of UAMPS, and the City has a 4% ownership of the UAMPS portion of this plant, so, it has not hit our City as severely as some of the other cities involved. There is a cost for a portion of the repairs in the amount of

\$2.9 million to UAMPS, with \$132,000 falling on the City that will need to be paid in the next 30 days, or we would need to enter into a bond with the other UAMPS members. This comes with costs and a commitment to pay for that.

After discussing this issue with Pat Wilson of the City's Finance Division, the cost to the Power Department would be preferable over bonding, as this would take the City out to the year 2022, and incur an additional bonding cost of approximately \$50,000. The Power Department feels it would be more efficient to take the money out of the total revenue; the metered sales revenue to date, 7 months into the fiscal year, is approximately \$300,000 to the plus over budget, and they feel they can take the money from this fund without sacrificing themselves.

Mr. Brass asked if this would become a better resource once the rebuilds and work is completed.

Mr. Haacke stated that it has been, in the past, within the IPP costs, and he hopes that these improvements will make it better, but he cannot say for certain.

Mr. Brass made a motion to adopt the Resolution.
Ms. Dunn 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

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

Motion passed 5-0

2. Consider a Resolution approving an agreement between Gold Cross Services, Inc. and Murray City relating to Ambulance Services.

Staff presentation: Fire Chief Gil Rodriguez

Chief Rodriguez stated that an equitable agreement has been reached with Gold Cross Ambulance Services, and asked that the Council approves the agreement so that it may be attached with the application to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and put in for application.

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to adopt the Resolution.
Mr. Brass 2nd the motion.

Call vote recorded by Ms. Heales:

AYE/NAY

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

Motion passed 5-0

Mayor Report

Mayor Snarr noted that he is excited about bringing ambulance services to the citizens of Murray, and feels that it will allow the Fire Department to improve their services.

Frank Nakamura clarified that although we have the agreement, we do not yet have the licenses, which the State will still need to do. This should take approximately 1 month.

Questions of the Mayor

None

Adjournment