

**Tooele City Council  
Business Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2008  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Tooele City Hall Council Chambers  
90 North Main Street, Tooele, Utah

**City Council Members Present:**

Steve Pruden, Chair  
Mike Johnson  
John Hansen  
Scott Wardle  
Dave McCall

**City Employees Present:**

Mayor Patrick Dunlavy  
Glen Caldwell, Finance Director  
Doug Baylay, Assistant City Attorney  
Sharon Dawson, City Recorder  
Lisa Carpenter, City Council Liaison/Deputy Recorder  
Rachelle Custer, City Planner  
Cary Campbell, Public Works Director  
Randy Sant, RDA Consultant  
Steve Peay, Assistant Library Director

**Others Present:**

Shawn Milne, Planning Commission Chair

Minutes prepared by Elisa Jenkins

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Pruden.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Doug Baylay.

**2. Open Forum for Public Comment**

Chairman Pruden stated that this is a public hearing if anyone would like to come forward and address the Council. No one came forward.

**Councilman Hansen moved to close the open forum.** Councilman Johnson seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye". The open forum closed at 7:02 p.m.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING & MOTION on Resolution 2008-25 A**  
**Resolution of the Tooele City Council Adopting the Final Budget for**  
**Tooele City for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.**

Presented by Mayor Patrick Dunlavy

Mayor Dunlavy stated that the budget has not changed since the tentative budget adoption. There were a couple of minor figure calculations. The budget is balanced because the revenues continue to be flat they are not asking for an increase. The budget will be the same operating budget the City operated on last year except for 3% cost of living raise for the employees and their merit increases, and a 3% increase in the insurance benefit. The only equipment the City is planning to purchase this year is five new police vehicles. They are not adding staff except for possibly one. Any vacancies will be evaluated at the time of that opening to determine whether that employee will be replaced based on budget figures. There is no pay increase for the Mayor or the City Council. It is important in these times when things are tight that elected officials do not have a pay increase, it sets an example. The Mayor appreciates the example the Council is setting. There are many cities that are struggling around the state with property tax increases and lay offs of employees. That is not the case in Tooele City. The City will continue to provide the services to the citizens of Tooele. He hopes that the economy changes and that it goes up and that fuel and energy costs go down. He is very excited about the developments that are coming into Tooele that will help the tax base and create jobs. He acknowledges the Council's input in this budget and the advice and suggestions he has received. The Mayor presented the budget for approval.

Chairman Pruden asked the Mayor how long it has been since Tooele has had a property tax increase.

Mayor Dunlavy stated Tooele City has not had a property tax increase since 1982.

Chairman Pruden noted that West Jordan is having a 22% increase in property taxes.

Councilman Wardle said that West Jordan is having a 22% increase in property taxes and a substantial increase in other fees.

Mayor Dunlavy stated that many cities are doing that this year.

Chairman Pruden stated on behalf of the Council, they appreciate the Mayor and Glenn Caldwell and his staff and all the department heads for all that they do so the City can continue to provide services and not increase the costs to the citizens. He also stated if the lawsuits get wrapped up soon they might have extra expenditure money.

Mayor Dunlavy said that Mr. Caldwell does a great job and he appreciates him.

Councilman McCall stated that when the litigations are wrapped up in next years budget that could help with the 3% increase to the employees benefits.

Chairman Pruden stated that the City pays the benefits for the employees.

Mayor Dunlavy stated that there is approximately \$2 million in this year's budget for road work.

Councilman Johnson stated that the City never has enough to address all the road problems.

Councilman Wardle stated that in a time of very tight financial stress in the community. The City will take care of flooding issues and road issues within the budget. They will continue to protect citizens at the highest level they can without a property tax increase. There are many cities along the Wasatch front that have seen double digit increase in the past three years. This administration and Council want the citizens of this community to be very well taken care of with the means the City has.

Chairman Pruden said that the price of asphalt is tied to oil. They City will start working to improve the roads.

Mayor Dunlavy stated that they want the utility work to be done first.

Chairman Pruden commended Tim Gilley for his article in the paper about the Mayor's charge on economic development, which is the way that the tax increase will grow, is through retail. As projects are going on the City is hoping to recapture some of the sales tax that is being lost to the other side of the mountain. Then the City will have more money to do other things.

Mayor Dunlavy thanked his staff for all they do. They are cost conscience. The City is fortunate to have these employees.

Chairman Pruden stated that this is a public hearing if anyone would like to come forward and address the budget. No one came forward.

**Councilman Hansen moved to close the public hearing.** Councilman Wardle seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye". The public hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

**Councilman Wardle moved to adopt Resolution 2008-25.** Councilman Hansen seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

4. **Resolution 2008-26 A Resolution of the Tooele City Council Approving Budget Adjustments for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.**

Presented by Glenn Caldwell

Mr. Caldwell explained that each year the budget has to be adjusted at the end of the year. Mr. Caldwell then outlined the adjustments that needed to be made before the end of the fiscal year:

- Wal-Mart and Nelson & Sons donation
- Tooele County Recreational District Grant
- Home Depot contribution to fire department
- Federal Forensic Light Grant
- State Library Grant
- Drug Task Force Grant increase
- England family donated \$1,000 for trees
- Private donation to library
- Insurance proceeds from the wind storm
- Homeland Security Grant
- Communities that Care Trust
- Outside legal counsel
- Patterson participation
- MBA bonds payments from Trust

Councilman Wardle wanted to thank the business that donated money to the City.

**Councilman Johnson moved to adopt Resolution 2008-26.** Councilman Hansen seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING & MOTION on Final Plat Approval for Tooele City Commercial Park Phase 5 Amending and Extending Lot 8 of Tooele City Commercial Park Phase 1 Creating a 2.29 acre Lot Located at 195 S Millburn Drive.**

Presented by Rachelle Custer

Ms. Custer explained that this plat is modifying some lot lines of an existing lot. It will delete future right of way for Tooele Blvd and add some additional property to the lot. The plat does not have any additional right of way dedication occurring with this amended single lot subdivision and it is in the City’s industrial park. This property is being exchanged by the City with the developer of another lot for business purposes in the industrial park. City staff recommends approval of this final plat. Planning Commission made a favorable recommendation on June 11, 2008.

Chairman Pruden stated that this is a public hearing if anyone would like to come forward and address this issue. No one came forward.

**Councilman Wardle moved to close the public hearing.** Councilman McCall seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”. The public hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

**Councilman Wardle moved to approve final plat for Tooele City Commercial Park phase 5 amending and extending lot 8 of Tooele City Commercial park phase 1 creating a 2.293 acre lot located at 195 S Milburn Drive.** Councilman Hansen seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

6. **Minutes: June 4, 2008; Discussion Meeting and Business Meeting**

**Councilman Hansen moved to approve the minutes as presented.** Councilman Johnson seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

7. **Invoices**

Presented by Sharon Dawson

- RMT Equipment for one turf truckster in the amount of \$14,108.00.
- H Cement & General Contracting for a concrete pad at the golf course in the amount of \$9,325.00.

**Councilman Johnson moved to approve the invoices as stated by Ms. Dawson.** Councilman Hansen seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

8. **Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Dunlavy introduced Steve Peay to the Council. Mr. Peay is currently the acting director of the Library. Ms. Emery is on a short leave of absence and Mr. Peay is filling in for her.

Mayor Dunlavy said that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities this year will be great.

Councilman Johnson asked how the Ty Herndon ticket sales were going.

Mayor Dunlavy said sales are not that good. They are going to do some more advertising. He is very excited about the fireworks that will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Chairman Pruden reminded everyone about the Friday’s on Vine. There have been two successful concerts so far. He also mentioned that the Arts Festival is at the end of the month.

Chairman Pruden welcomed Boy Scout Troop 1552 to the meeting.

Mayor Dunlavy also stated that he and Paul Hansen met with Commissioner Clegg and Mr. Loveless the County engineer. They had an excellent discussion about a variety of topics and they asked for the City's input. He appreciated the opportunity to meet with them and share ideas.

**9. Adjourn**

**Councilman Hansen moved to adjourn the meeting.** Councilman Johnson seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye". The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2008

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Chairman Pruden