

**MINUTES OF HARRISVILLE CITY**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Tuesday, August 28, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
363 West Independence Blvd  
Harrisville, Utah 84404

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Present: Mayor Richard Hendrix, Council Member Chad Allen, Council Member Bruce Richins, Council Member Paula Knighton, Council Member Michelle Tait, Council Member Grover Wilhelmsen.

Staff: Bill Morris, City Administrator, Maxwell Jackson, Police Chief, Jennie Knight, City Recorder.

Visitors: Jeff Pearce, Ruth Pearce, Tyler Malmrose, Amber Weston.

**7:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor Hendrix called the meeting to order and welcomed all visitors.

**2. Opening Ceremony.**

Council Member Bruce Richins led the Pledge of Allegiance and opening ceremony.

**3. Consent Items.**

- a. Approve the minutes of July 17, 2012, July 31, 2012, and August 7, 2012 as presented.

Council Member Knighton asked for clarification on page three where the discussion was vague about the amount of 401K contribution that was listed for public safety. Jennie Knight clarified the amount was for the proposed wage adjustment that was eliminated with the property tax increase.

**MOTION: Council Member Allen motioned to approve the minutes of July 17, 2012 with clarification made to page 3, July 31, 2012, and August 7, 2012 as presented. Council Member Richins seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.**

**4. Business Items.**

- a. Discussion and/or possible action to approve Harrisville City Ordinance 456, an ordinance repealing and reenacting uniform animal control regulations.

Bill Morris informed council of his position on the Weber County Animal Control Board. He said Weber County Animal Shelter is putting together a uniform ordinance for all cities that use their services. With council's approval this ordinance will be adopted in Harrisville. Mayor Hendrix had a question on moving and dividing language to make it more legible.

Council Member Knighton expressed concern with not having clarification on the age of cats. She said this may need to be defined with regard to cats giving birth to litters, depending on the size of litters, this may put the resident in violation immediately. Mayor and council agreed to define the age of cats, as an adult cat of more than 4 months. Mayor and council agreed to define boarding regulations stating 4 or more animals would require a kennel license. Council Member Allen asked if these clarifications need to be made with Animal Control and then adopted in a future council meeting. Bill Morris responded he can make the necessary changes to this ordinance and council can adopt this ordinance including the

changes. He said he will let Animal Control know of the changes that were made. Mayor and Council discussed how many total animals should be allowed without a kennel license. Max Jackson says clearly defined laws help when enforcement is necessary. Bill Morris explained these requirements will be clearly set should residents apply for a business license and receive approval through Planning Commission for a conditional use permit. He said this ordinance does not include zoning issues and land use, but rather provides a universal way for Weber County Animal Shelter to enforce common regulations throughout the cities they service. It defines items such as kennel licenses, dog licensing, animals at large, dangerous animals, how wild animals are handled, dog attacks, etc. It also includes the increased impound and boarding fee which is \$85.00 per day, and the requirement to hold dogs for 5 days before any action is taken. This ordinance also regulates animal bites and what to do if an animal is hit by a car. Council Member Knighton asked if the fees are collected by the city or Weber County Animal Shelter. Bill Morris explained the fees are collected by the shelter which reduces the cost the city has to pay Weber County for animal control services.

**MOTION: Council Member Knighton motioned to approve Harrisville City Ordinance 456 repealing and reenacting uniform animal control regulations with the changes defining the age of cats, number of animals requiring kennel license to be set at 4 or more, and dividing language to make things more legible. Council Member Tait seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.**

Council Member Allen	Yes
Council Member Richins	Yes
Council Member Knighton	Yes
Council Member Tait	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

#### **5. Public Comments.**

No public comments were offered.

#### **6. Mayor/Council Follow-up.**

Mayor Hendrix reminded council of the upcoming training for Utah League of Cities and Towns. Registration is due August 31, 2012. He said he will be attending. Council Member Richins said he will also be attending.

Mayor Hendrix informed council of an employee update.

Council Member Knighton asked when the time capsule will be buried. Bill Morris said it has been delayed until October to allow for more submissions from Harrisville Residents to be included in the time capsule.

Council Member Wilhelmsen informed Council that North View Fire Department will be hosting the annual fire safety open house on October 1, 2012. The public is welcome to attend. Council asked Jennie Knight to include this in the September newsletter. This event has been very successful in the past and this year the fire station will celebrate 10 years.

#### **7. Closed Executive Session.**

**MOTION: Council Member Richins motioned to open a closed executive session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and to discuss strategy regarding pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Council Member Allen seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.**

Council Members convened into the executive session.

**MOTION:** Council Member Richins motioned to close the executive session and move into the public meeting. Council Member Allen seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.

**8. Adjourn.**

Mayor Hendrix declared meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

**9. Convene HERITAGE DAYS WORK SESSION at Main Park Bowery**

Mayor and Council convened into Heritage Days work session at the Harrisville Main Park Bowery. They discussed pros and cons about reduced schedule and how to improve Heritage Days 2013.

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RICHARD HENDRIX  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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JENNIE KNIGHT  
City Recorder