

**ALPINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
20 North Main, Alpine, UT
November 15, 2011**

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Hunt Willoughby.

A. Roll Call: The following Council Members were present and constituted a quorum:
Mayor Hunt Willoughby
Council Members: Jim Tracy, Bradley Reneer, Kent Hastings, Troy Stout, Kimberly Bryant
Staff: Rich Nelson, Charmayne Warnock, Brad Freeman, Jannicke Brewer
Others: Mel Clement, Chuck Castleton

B. Prayer: Bradley Reneer
C. Pledge: Mayor Willoughby

II. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Election Canvass: The Alpine City municipal election was held November 8, 2011. There were six candidates for three seats on the City Council. Kimberly Bryant was re-elected. Mel Clement and Will S. Jones were also elected to serve on the City Council. Of the 33 provisional ballots, 24 were valid and counted. The final votes were as follows:

Kim Arnold Bryant	880
Chuck Castleton	745
Mel Clement	1060
Gregory Griffiths	183
Will S. Jones	763
Jason Kuhn	563

Also on the ballot was the Alpine School District Bond Proposition. The majority of the Alpine School District voted in favor of the bond and it passed. Below are the results of the Alpine City residents vote on the bond.

For the bond	739
Against the bond	776

There were 6331 registered voters listed in the Official Register book. There were 1554 people who voted making a turnout of 25%. There was a 28% turnout for the municipal election in 2009.

MOTION: Kent Hasting moved to approve the Election Canvass for the Alpine City municipal election held November 8, 2011. Jim Tracy seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Board Membership for Fire/EMS on the Lone Peak PSD: Rich Nelson explained that the Lone Peak Public Safety District Board had met and discussed the methods of assessment for the three cities (Alpine, Highland and Cedar Hills) that participated in the District. The Board passed a motion to change the voting membership on the Board for fire and EMS protection from 2-2-1 to 2-2-2. Previously Cedar Hills had one vote. Alpine and Highland had two votes. The Lone Peak PSD Board voted to allow each city two voting representatives on the Board resulting in two votes for each city for fire and EMS service.

Jim Tracy asked why this was coming to the cities for a decision rather than simply being decided by the Board. Kent Hastings explained that they would be basically rewriting the Interlocal Agreement and that had to be approved by the city councils of the different cities. Mayor Willoughby said that all the city councils were meeting that evening to consider the same issues.

Rich Nelson said that Highland City had expressed an interest in having three members or three votes on the Board because they had a larger population, but it wasn't supported at the PSD Board meeting. Brad Freeman said that at

the PSD Board meeting, Kent Hastings had made a motion for a 2:2:2 vote. Then one of the members moved that it be 3:2:2, but it didn't get a second.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made.

MOTION: Kimberly Bryant moved to support the change in the number of votes on the PSD Board for fire and EMS service to 2:2:2 with two votes for each city. Troy Stout seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Funding Formula for Fire Service: Rich Nelson said that previously the fire portion of the funding for the Lone Peak Public Safety District had been based on assessed valuation of property. The Board was proposing another method which they felt would be fairer. The Board voted to base the assessments on the number of residential units in a city, regardless of the size of the home, and the number of non-residential property units per city. The non-residential property unit (equivalent residential unit – ERU) would be determined by taking all the non-residential property units in the city, i.e. churches, schools, or businesses, and dividing the square feet of each by 10,000 square feet.

Each city would pay a base amount. The proposals for the base amount ranged from paying no base amount, to 10 percent, 20 percent, or 30 percent. Mayor Willoughby said he and Kent Hastings had argued for each city paying 10%. Highland had argued to pay 30%. Cedar Hills would be the most benefited by paying no base amount and Highland would be most benefited by each city paying 30%. Mayor Willoughby said they felt 10 percent would be a good compromise. In addition to the base amount, each city would be assessed a percentage based on the population and ERUs with or without schools.

Bradley Reneer said he was surprised that Alpine's ERUs for nonresidential was higher than Highlands. Rich Nelson said Alpine actually had a lot of commercial property that was office space. Unfortunately, it didn't provide much of a tax base.

Kent Hastings said the ERUs could be adjusted every year depending on the changes in growth.

The Council discussed the options and a motion was made. It was pointed out that there was no scenario where Alpine would have to pay. The difference was the degree of savings for Alpine City. With a lower base percentage, Alpine would save more and Cedar Hills would pay less. With a high base percentage, Highland would save more and Cedar Hills would pay more.

Kent Hastings said the administration portion of the Lone Peak PSD would be assessed differently.

MOTION: Bradley Reneer moved to recommend the funding formula calculation for Fire/EMS as outlined on page four of the *Discussion on Funding Utilizing Equivalent Residential Units* showing a base of 10% with 45% of the assessment based on population and 45% based on ERUs with or without schools, and give Alpine's board members room to negotiate. Jim Tracy seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Funding Formula Implementation Date: Rich Nelson said the third issue was when the new funding formula would take place. Because the cost for Cedar Hills would be higher than what they had budgeted in the past, they may need another budget cycle to plan for the additional cost.

The Council discussed the date for when Alpine would like to see the new funding formula implemented. They considered making the second vote for Cedar Hills effective when the new funding formula was implemented. There was more discussion and a motion was made.

MOTION: Kent Hastings moved to approve the implementation of the new funding formula to occur no later than July 1 of 2012. Kimberly Bryant seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Kent Hastings moved to adjourn. Kimberly Bryant seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.