

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTAQUIN CITY COUNCIL
HELD AUGUST 18, 1987.

Mayor Kevin Steadman called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.. The following councilmen were present: Clara Goudy, Joe Pust & Sherman Jones

Mayor Steadman offered the invocation and Councilman Goudy led the pledge of allegiance.

Prior Minutes: The Council had just received a copy of the minutes of the July 15 meeting and Councilman Goudy suggested that they be approved next time after the Council had reviewed them.

Steve Bateman from Payson Hospital : Mr. Bateman was unable to come as planned so Mayor Steadman told about the interest by Payson Hospital and Dr. Day of having a full time Doctor in Santaquin. The Doctor would utilize space in the office of Doctor Day. After discussion Mayor Steadman stated that he would tell Mr. Bateman that the Mayor & City Council were supportive of the idea. Mayor Steadman will call Mr. Bateman tomorrow and perhaps set up for him to come to our next Council Meeting.

Bart Olson hearing for annexation : Mr. Olson was not present so this item was skipped.

Darrell Williams-June, 1988 Blackhawk Encampment : Mr. Williams requested permission from the City to hold the Blackhawk Encampment in the City park during the last week of June, 1988. They will pay \$200.00 for use of the Park, and requested that the City provide electricity for lights for perhaps 85 trailers & campers. They have many activities and programs to which the City residents would be invited. They would bring some revenue into the City businesses by the numbers of people they attract for the week. They have held recent encampments in Lehi, Fountain Green, Moroni & Payson. A question was raised about the electricity availability but that was not considered a problem. Mayor Steadman stated that the City would be delighted to endorse their coming and suggested that Mr. Williams keep in touch beginning after the first of the year.

Utah County Housing Authority : Gene Carly explained what programs were available to low & moderate income people to assist with their housing needs. a. Rental Assistance, b. Weatherization Program, c. Emergency Housing Rehabilitation, d. Rental Rehabilitation Program. The last is only available in areas not served by the Farmers Home Administration. These programs can be administered by the City or by the Housing Authority.

Arts Council : Brad Peterson stated that a committee of about 20 people has been organized for next years celebration. Many comments were heard during the 1987 celebration suggesting that the Old School ought to be used for the City Celebration every year. Other people wanted to use the Old school for Dance, Gymnastics, Aerobics, B B gun competition, Basketball and many other things. The Arts Council wants to go on record as supporting the City to help the development of the Old School. The current needs are for heat and restrooms and the building could be used now. Councilman Jones stated that there is a grant available for rebuilding the west side for the Sr. Citizens but that money can only be used for Sr. Citizens. A bond election was suggested for raising funds to remodel the other side for City offices etc.

During a discussion of bond elections, Mr. Walker, the architect for the Old School remodeling and Mr. Chandler from Mountainlands came so time was given to them.

Old School Remodeling : Kent Walker presented his firms plans for the Old School. These include tearing down the old part of the building, remodeling the west side of the newer part for a Sr. Citizens center which would entail using part of the walk-in cooler and the end of the hallway for toilet rooms, adding on an activity center and using the present kitchen; which is very adequate. The eastern section of the new part would house the City Offices and a City Council room. The entry for the Sr. Citizens would be from the South where there could be a ramp built and a parking lot constructed. Mr. Chandler talked about the \$85,000.00 Community Development Block Grant. The law is very specific that the funds therefrom could not be used to develop the City Office portion of the building, but only for the Sr. Citizens part. Mr. Walker stated that their current estimate of the cost for the Sr. Citizens portion is approximately \$87,000.00. The architects bill must paid also and this has not been included in the \$87,000.00 at this point. Mr. Chandler suggested that the City pursue the Sr. Citizens center totally separate from the City Offices because of Federal law concerning the wages paid on Federal projects. He stated that we had, under the law, until August 1 to sign a contract for the grant. Mountainlands has 2 options-to deny our grant on the basis of untimely filing or to extend the time for resolution of the problem and signing the contract. If that deadline is not met then they will, at their meeting on Sept. 24, take the \$85,000.00 and allocate it to other entities in the area. If that is not done the money will revert back to be used for other projects in other areas. To go ahead with the project we must act by Sept 24. A question from the audience was: What is the amount needed to fund the other section remodeling, and could that be repaid by having dances, dinners, bake sales etc? Mr. Chandler stated that the General tax dollars would be pledged by the city to repay the bond but the funds could be reimbursed from any source. Kent Walker stated that the City Offices could be done for about \$2.00 per Square foot. There is approximately 11,000 square feet in that section so the cost would be \$22,000.00-25,000.00. Councilman Pust motioned that the City move on pursuing the Sr. Citizen grant and have it structured so that the cost could be held within the \$85,000.00. Mr. Walker stated that the architects fee would be approximately \$6500.00 plus the administration fee if his firm is to do that. Mr. Chandler suggested that the City handle the administration of the grant, as it would not take a lot of time & energy of city employees. Councilman Goudy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

There was a discussion about how to handle the remodeling of the city office area of the Old School. It was suggested that it be on the ballot in Nov. Councilman Goudy motioned that we hold a bond election with the election in Nov. for the purpose of raising money to refurbish the Old School so that it can be used as a City Center. Councilman Jones seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

1988 Cherry Days Celebration : Lynne Robbins asked that the Old School property be made available to hold the City Celebration next year on Aug 5 & 6. The Council and Mayor were enthusiastically for it and gave permission to have it there. Lynne Robbins also asked that the City fund the Celebration to the extent of \$1000.00. With the budget as it is the City may not be able to help. Permission was asked to have a solicitation message on the water bills so that residents may donate to the Celebration. Mayor Steadman stated that the City would really like to and ought to pay for the celebration but just couldn't

very well at this time. He stated that there would be funds from somewhere. The committee will have to go on faith. Lynne was instructed to be in touch with Councilman Pust for approvals on expenses for the Celebration. It was also suggested that donation boxes be placed in the businesses in Town so that anyone could donate there.

Purchase of patrol car for police department : Used highway patrol car is available for \$2200.00. \$1200.00 has been allocated in the budget for equipment purchase and the additional \$1000.00 would come from an overbudgeted item within the police department. There was at least \$2000.00 in excess of last year's budget in the benefits area. The Chief asked that part of that be combined with the amount budgeted for the purchase so that this specific car could be purchased. The old one has 165,000 miles and is in need of a lot of major repairs. Its value is about \$100.00. We have had it about 5 or 6 years. The car is available through State surplus.

Councilman Jones motioned that the car be purchased, Councilman Pust seconded and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Personnel Benefits for Jay Peterson : Justice Peterson stated that as an example, he had worked 36 1/2 hrs over the last 2 weeks. Mayor Steadman asked what the increase needs to be in order to cover the difference. Mr. Greenland stated that, according to Earl Andrews, anyone who works over 1000 hours per year is considered a full time employee and must receive the same benefits as other full-time employees. Councilman Pust suggested that Jay be paid for 18-20 hours a week and pay his own benefits. After a lengthy discussion of the alternatives, Councilman Goudy motioned that Patti, Cheryl and Jay be put back on retirement and that Jay Peterson be given a raise to cover the cost of his insurance. Councilman Jones seconded, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Greenland was instructed to keep an eye out for alternatives for our insurance, with the idea that Pro-Benefit will be discontinued shortly. Mayor Steadman requested that Mr. Greenland contact Bruce Hymas with the idea of getting an upgraded computer system. Mr Hymas had indicated that he could do that for us at the same monthly cost we have now and would increase our efficiency greatly. A new printer would work 5 times faster than the one we have.

Raelton Palmer, County Constable, was discussed. He has been implicated in a kidnapping incident in Provo. Justice Peterson stated that he felt Mr. Palmer had been duped into something. Mr Palmer does not in any way represent the City of Santaquin, according to Mr. Peterson. Mr. Palmer has been used as City Constable because he is all over the State and our City Officers can't take the time to go there. Mayor Steadman cited some minutes of a City Council meeting of March 14, 1979 wherein Raelton Palmer was sworn in as City Constable. Mr. Peterson was unaware of that happening. There is a question as to whether Mr. Palmer is still an employee of the City. Mr. Peterson assured the Council that this was not the case, that Mr. Palmer acts in his authority as a County Constable. Chief Coomes presented a letter from the City Attorney which states that the Constable is an arm of the City when instructed by the City Justice to serve papers. Councilman Jones motioned that the City follow the recommendations of the City Attorney. Councilman Goudy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

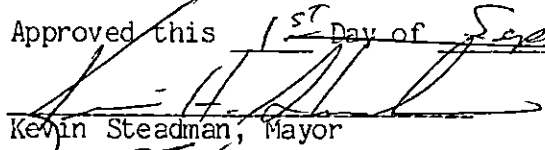
Spoke Miscellaneous Business : The Accounts Payable were reviewed and Councilman Goudy motioned to pay them as listed, Councilman Jones seconded and the motion passed unanimously.


The Council instructed the office staff to find out who was listed as authorized to sign for purchases at Stringham Lumber for the next Council meeting so that the Council may review it and revise it as necessary.

Councilman Goudy motioned for dismissal of the meeting, Councilman Pust seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Approved this 1st Day of Sept, 1987.


Kevin Steadman, Mayor

Attest: 
Charles T. Greenland
City Recorder/Clerk