

**WOODS CROSS CITY COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 3, 2018**

The minutes of the Woods Cross City Council meeting held April 3, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. in the Woods Cross City Hall located at 1555 South 800 West, Woods Cross, Utah.

**CONDUCTING:**

Rick Earnshaw

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rick Earnshaw, Mayor

Julie Checketts

Tamra Dayley

Wally Larrabee

Matt Terry

Ryan Westergard

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gary Uresk, City Administrator

Jessica Sims, City Recorder/Finance Director

Mark Bell, City Attorney

**VISITORS:**

Carole Farnsworth

Emma Steed

Don Schrader

Adam Anderson

Melanie Jacobson

Kent Ricks

Jessica Jacobson

Neal Hewlett

Sue Robbins

RaNae Cline

Mark Larsen

Michele Wood

Greg Whiting

Russ Schrader

Bob Goudy

Nate Buzbee

Rachel Redding

Tim Miller

Matt Jensen

Rodney Farnsworth

LeGrande Blackly

Mitch Gwilliam

George Montoya

Paul Ricks

Adrienne Anderson

Britten Hepworth

Noralee Green

Phil Roth

Patt Huttzell

Howard Johnson Jr.

Nathan Wood

Consuelo Rasmussen

D.L. Weeks

Greg Steed

Dawn Buzbee

Burnie Fuson

Steve Hansen

Jordan Rasmussen

Jennifer Steed

Lois Schrader

Crisanta Gwilliam

Jordan Rasmussen

Rebecca Ricks

Taylor Jacobson

Rhett Cleverly

Derek Green

Jennifer Davis

Karen Kriegbaum

Jeremy Layton

Leola Mikkelsen

Dylan Salas

Stephen Lamb

Jodi Reber

Scott Redding

Lin Sun

Chris Rozelle

**INVOCATION:**

Ryan Westergard

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Tamra Dayley

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**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES**

The City Council reviewed the minutes of the City Council meetings held March 6<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Following the review by the City Council, Council Member Checketts noted two corrections. Council Member Westergard then made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 with Council Member Checketts seconding the motion and all voted for the motion through a roll call vote.

Council Member Dayley then made a motion to approve the minutes for March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as written with Council Member Larrabee seconding the motion. All voted for the motion through a roll call vote except Council Member Westergard who abstained as he did not attend that meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS**

The Mayor then noted the Council needed to ratify the cash disbursements for March 3<sup>rd</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> and approve the cash disbursements for March 17<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. Council Member Westergard made a motion to ratify and approve the cash disbursements as presented. Council Member Terry seconded the motion and all voted for the motion through a roll call vote.

**OPEN SESSION (BRIEF ITEMS)**

The Mayor then opened the meeting to items from those present that they would like to bring before the City Council. This would be items that would take less than two or three minutes

Mr. Mark Larson living at 1421 South 950 West said that he had addressed the City Council on March 6<sup>th</sup> regarding coordinating an effort with North Salt Lake City to lower the speed limit on Redwood Road because of aggressive driving.

The City Administrator noted that they had met with UDOT and UDOT indicated they would do another speed study after the Shamrock Subdivision is in.

Ms. Karen Kriegbaum living at 912 West 1935 South said thank you to the City Council for getting the spring clean-up going again and it was very much appreciated. The Mayor and Council thanked her for her comments.

**YOUTH CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

The Mayor gave the floor to the Youth City Council Mayor, Dylan Salas. He reported the following to the City Council:

Last Month: The Easter Eggstravaganza was a success! With the basket drawing we were able to raise \$439 dollars for our WX City Angel Tree families this coming Christmas.

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One change was that we held all activities inside and found that our guests seemed to like it. We may consider doing everything inside every year.

Council Member Westergard can vouch for the improved ease in spreading the Easter Eggs.

This Month: Because of Easter happening in March, we will not have a service activity this month.

At our work meeting next week we will work as a Council to design our float for the summer parades.

Next Month: For May, we will roll utensils at our work meeting, and plan on working at the Memorial breakfast on the 28<sup>th</sup> for our activity. We will purchase the utensil supplies needed.

The Council also asked if the Youth City Council had a good experience at their leadership conference held at Utah State University. Youth Mayor Salas said they did have a good time and were able to do some fun service projects and other fun and informative activities.

The Mayor and Council thanked Mayor Salas for his report.

**ANDRES ARTURO—OWNER OF PRO SOCCER-RENAMING MT. VIEW BLVD. TO UTAH SATINS BLVD.**

The Mayor asked if Mr. Andres Arturo was at the meeting to present this item. He was not in attendance, so the Mayor moved on to the next item on the agenda.

**DISCUSSION ON THE FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup> WATER MAIN BREAK DAMAGES**

The Mayor started out by saying he had a lot of empathy for the home owner's involved in the water main break and just wanted to let them know there were members from the City's insurance company and also the City Attorney present to answer any questions the public might have regarding this issue. He said he was sorry for how long it has taken to get to the bottom of this issue, but he said the city needed to do its due diligence on the matter to make sure and see what the exact situation was and who was at fault. He said that after everything was looked at regarding the pipe break and all of the surrounding circumstances with the sewer backing up, it was found that the city was not at fault and there was nothing the city could have done to prevent it. He said the pipe broke around 2:00 A.M. in the morning but it was not reported until around 4:30 A.M. and there was very little bubbling up of the water so you could not see that there was a problem. He went on to say that this was the fourth water break within a two week period. He said there were no other damages from the other breaks. He said what they did not know regarding this particular break was that the asphalt above the water line had frozen and with the water bubbling up it lifted the concrete up along with the sewer drain cap which allowed the water from the pipe that had broken to flow into the sewer line which ultimately caused the

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sewer to back up into the homes. He said they were unaware of that until the street had been dug up and they could see what had happened.

The Mayor went on to say that after everything had been looked into and the investigation had been completed, the Trust (which is the insurance company for the city) came back and said with the evidence they found, the city could not have prevented what had happened. The Mayor said as they met with the Trust, they told the city they would not cover any of the damages. The Mayor said that the city does have a no fault policy which does allow up to \$5000 per home for up to \$100,000 to cover such damages, but because of the magnitude of the water damage, that amount would not cover all of the damage that had occurred to the homes. The Mayor said that even though the city has no legal responsibility to help cover the damages, the city will continue to help mitigate the cost of the damages that were incurred to help the residents in the city because we are a concerned community and want to help our friends and neighbors.

The Mayor said there was a wide range of costs of damage from \$3,500 to \$50,000 and the city would like to sit down with each home owner and discuss what the city can do in conjunction with the resident's home owner's insurance company to help cover the damages that were incurred. The Mayor said he had spoken with the City Administrator on the day of the incident and asked him if the cleanup companies had been called. The Mayor said they got on the phone early in the morning trying to help the residents with the cleanup as soon as they possibly could. He again apologized for the length of time it had taken to get the information back to the residents about what had been found about the cause of the break, but he said the insurance company and the insurance adjuster had to have the time they needed to get all of the information collected regarding the incident.

The Mayor again said he and the city are very empathetic to the residents and their problems. He said with the city getting older, the pipes do need to be replaced and the city is doing so as they do different road projects within the city.

The Mayor said that because of this incident, the city is going to postpone replacing some of the water meters in different places in the city limits and put the money they would have used to do that to provide financial help to the residents. He said he wants to do what is right for our neighbors in Woods Cross City.

Council Member Westergard said he was very sorry for what had happened because he lived very near to where the backups had occurred. He said he feels very bad for what has happened. He said he is on the sewer board and they have also set up a "no fault" fund like the fund that the Mayor is planning on setting up for Woods Cross City. He said the city is trying to help figure things out and they are trying to make things right. He asked the residents to be patient as they work through getting things done and in order.

The City Administrator said the city is willing to step in but there are a lot of details to work out.

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The following was noted by the City Administrator:

“Currently the actual cash value for damages in now at \$427,147. I anticipate the final figure will be around \$450,000. This number includes cleanup and replacement.

“If the decision is to provide assistance above the \$100,000 provided through the Trust’s no fault policy then we need to know the total amount that we would be paying. Given to the Council is the no fault ordinance patterned after Salt Lake City’s and states two things that have bearing on what we will pay:

1. We will cover actual costs and not replacement costs
2. We will only pay for that portion not covered by private insurance.

“We will need to work through these issues before we can make any specific commitment to pay for damages.

“Currently we have sufficient funds in the water fund to cover up to the \$350,000, which would be our portion of the \$450,000. This would require the elimination of any major capital projects for FY 2019.

“If the decision is to cover all or partial of the costs then we will need to adopt the no fault ordinance in a subsequent meeting and work with the adjuster and home owner to come up with the payment amount since it has already been a month since the water main break we need to move as quickly as we can to get this resolved.”

Council Member Checketts also expressed how sorry she was that this had happened to some of the residents within the city. She said she had a similar experience and it was very stressful and frustrating. She said she has appreciated those residents who had reached out and let the city know what had been going on with each them. She also expressed her frustration about a problem with what had happened with the insurance adjuster who had worked with the residents and asked the residents if they could report on this.

Mr. Steve Hansen representing the city's insurance company thanked the residents for their patience. He said he is unaware of a dollar amount that was given by their insurance adjustor. He said it was not their intention to give a dollar amount to the residents.

Mr. Nathan Buzbee living at 2202 South 1450 West reported to the Council. He said he had been given a number of \$20,000 by the adjuster that would be paid to him by the city’s insurance company.

Mr. Greg Steed living at 2366 South 1450 West said his conversation with Traveler’s was that all claims were approved and that the bids that he had been given to get his basement fixed were in line with what was approved and they were supposed to get work started. He said they then got a call back telling them that the claim was denied. He said he thought they were on their way to a resolution and then it was denied.

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Council Member Larrabee then said we all want our neighbors to be taken care of in Woods Cross. He said that our neighbors in our community would like to see their neighbors who had experienced this problem be taken care. He said he seconded what the Mayor had suggested with moving forward and finding ways to help with a solution to this problem.

Mr. Adam Anderson living at 1444 West 2350 South said they were called by the adjustor and told that the claim was accepted and it would be done in three phases and she wanted to get a hold of everyone else and she would get back with them to let them know how money each resident would be receiving. He said the next thing he knew, he got another phone call saying the claim was denied.

Council Member Terry then expressed his feelings that we are a community and we do need to take care of each other. He said he wanted to publicly thank the City Administrator who has been trying very hard to get things taken care of and even went down the morning of the incident and was helping with the cleanup effort. He said the city is doing everything they can to try and see what has happened and why. He also thanked the residents for their patience and willingness to go through the proper steps to get things taken care of.

Council Member Checketts also said she feels badly for what the residents are going through and said she also appreciates the patience of the residents.

Council Member Dayley said she echoed what had already been said and she felt bad the numbers for these damages were so high. She said this is a large event and the amount of money to take care will also have to be quite large. She said she wanted to let the residents know that because of the number crunching, it may take a little bit of time to still work things out but she also appreciated the patience of the residents as everyone continues to work to resolve this problem.

Mr. Rodney Farnsworth living at 1391 West 2300 South said his home was not damaged but he lived near some of the neighbors' homes that were damaged. He asked if water experts were hired to look into the matter. It was noted that the Trust hired two water experts to investigate the matter and the city has its own water expert in house that looked into the matter as well. Mr. Farnsworth asked if there was not anything that could have been done regarding the water pipe to keep it from breaking. The Mayor said this pipe had worked properly for 16 years so there did not seem to be a reason it would fail. Mr. Farnsworth then asked why the pipe had broken and the Mayor said it was unclear. Mr. Farnsworth said he thought having more water experts come and look at the pipe might help determine what really happened. He said it might have affected the liability. Mr. Farnsworth asked who was responsible when it was put in. Staff said it would have been the subcontractor for the subdivision and it would have been inspected when the pipe was placed in the subdivision. It was noted that a possible pinched gasket or the ground shifting could have been the cause of the pipe breaking but it could not be determined for sure. Mr. Farnsworth said he felt that a determination of why the pipe broke needed to be established. The Trust representatives were asked what their expert determined was the cause of the pipe breaking and they said at the junction where pipes were fitted could have eroded over time causing the

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pipe to break. Mr. Farnsworth said he still felt it was the city's responsibility to check when the subcontractor put in the pipe to check to make sure it was put in properly. He said if the city did not have it inspected properly, they would be responsible. The Trust also said their expert said it was highly unlikely the city would have ever seen a fitting or gasket problem. Mr. Farnsworth said he felt there needed to be more exploration done and that there should be more experts hired to come in and look at this.

The Mayor said the experts did their due diligence and the city felt good about their reports but there was no way the city could have known this pipe was going to break. He said the city is trying to do the right thing by helping the affected neighbors and are working within the city budget to use city money to help the home owner's that have been affected, even though there is no legal obligation, there is a moral obligation and the city is taking that obligation seriously and has promised to help with this issue.

Mr. Jordan Rasmussen living at 1452 West 2200 South said he is encouraged by what has been said at tonight's meeting and appreciated the extra steps the city has been willing to take. He said a time frame for when things will be resolved would be helpful. Mr. Rasmussen said they had received a release form that has lengthy legal language and was wondering how the city will work with paying over and above the \$5000 that Travelers Insurance has promised. The representatives from Travelers said they would work with the City Administrator to get the funds to the residents and to continue to work with the city on a resolution as quickly as possible.

The Mayor said as far as the time line goes, he is going to call another emergency City Council meeting to discuss a city ordinance that can be passed so that funds can be distributed to help with the cleanup. He said the city attorney has needed to have the time to go over the ordinance and make sure everything is in line and as soon as that ordinance is passed on Thursday night they can move forward with the help. The Mayor also said they have not received 5 claims from home owners and they are still waiting for them to come in. The Mayor said his insurance agent suggested putting a sewer back up rider on their home owner's insurance policy. The Council suggested that could be a possible suggestion to help in the future.

Mr. Rasmussen said he had received a bill from Servpro for cleanup costs in the amount of \$6600. He asked if that was going to be included in the money that he would be receiving from the city to help with the costs of the cleanup. The Mayor said that would be included in the claim.

Council Member Checketts suggested that there be some education done for city residents and let them know it might be a good idea to have a sewer back up rider on their insurance policy and that it could be included in the city's newsletter to let residents know it is something that is available and could be helpful for them in the event of a problem like this in the future.

Mr. Jeremy Layton living at 1383 West 2300 South he asked if there is an opportunity to negotiate with the cleanup companies. The City Administrator said he appreciated that suggestion and will look into doing that.

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Mr. Rhett Cleverly living at 1423 West 2300 South asked where the fault lies when it was hours before someone responded. He said he felt there was no response until one of the city staff was called directly. He said he appreciated the City Administrator coming to help with the cleanup efforts but that an emergency response should have been quicker. He said if the person who was on call would have responded in a timely manner and the water could have been turned off quicker, water would not even have reached the homes. He said he felt there was a communication failure and an hour had passed before any action was taken and he felt that procedures should be looked into. He said he had called 911 dispatch and nothing happened. He said he finally called a family member who is a city employee who came down and turned off the water. He said by the time the water was turned off he had 3 inches of water in his basement. He said he didn't get the response from dispatch or the water department that they should have received. He said that he feels like that is where the responsibility lies with the city because of the breakdown in communication.

The City Administrator said they are going to go through everything from beginning to end to try and see where the communication breakdown occurred. He said that is the reason they put up the information on the city's website as soon as they found out about it because we live a digital age and that is a way everyone could have access to the information.

Mr. Jason Reber living at 1403 West 2300 South asked how the city would be proceeding from here. He said in emergencies happen. He asked the Mayor how things would proceed. The Mayor said the city would work with each individual and decide what a fair settlement would be. Mr. Reber said he is very disappointed in the insurance companies and how they have been so unwilling to help out. He said he has been very disappointed in his own insurance company and wonders why we pay for insurance when they are unwilling to help out when it is needed. He said it is extremely disappointing. He said the city's insurance company should help the city provide a no fault account to cover these issues. He said he was very grateful for the city's willingness to step in and help.

Mr. Scott Redding living at 1419 West 2350 South expressed his thanks for the city stepping up and taking some ownership of the situation. He said thank you for helping out with getting the cleanup companies to come in and help. He said he had spoken with other cities and they have alarm systems in place if there is a water breach to let them know there is a problem. He said if Woods Cross had this type of system, this problem would not have occurred. He said he felt the \$5000 was not enough for the city to pay. The Mayor said that is why they have gone a step beyond and are trying and help cover some of the costs of the damage over and above the \$5000 that is being given to the residents.

Mr. Dallin Stephens living at 2541 South 1400 West asked if the expert report is a public record. The Trust said in is protected information said it was not at this time with the threat of litigation. He said the findings have been shared with the city. The city attorney said if there is a threat of litigation they would not release this information but when things are resolved, it may be released. He also expressed his thanks for the city taking care of the matter and for setting up this ordinance to help with possible problems in the future. Mr. Stephens then asked if there



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was any possibility of challenging the insurance company's findings that the city is not at fault. He said he is concerned that more that could be done to fight the insurance company's findings.

The Mayor said they have met several times with the Trust and when the findings came in, it was pretty much a final decision. The Trust representatives said anyone can challenge the findings and if there is any new information that could be presented there could be seconded look given. The City Administrator also said that if they find the insurance company is not meeting the needs of the city in the future, they can find a new insurance company if they feel it is necessary.

The city attorney pointed out the insurance company has a \$100,000 no fault fund to go towards this situation so to say the insurance company is not offering anything towards this issue is not really the case.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their comments and said he appreciated all of the input from those who were impacted by this incident.

**CONSIDERATION TO SHARE ENGINEERING COSTS WITH NORTH SALT LAKE  
FOR A STUDY ON A SEPARATED GRADE CROSSING ON 2600 SOUTH ON THE  
UNION PACIFIC/FRONTRUNNER TRACKS**

The Mayor gave the floor to the City Administrator who noted the following for the City Council:

“We have been approached by North Salt Lake about sharing the costs for a feasibility study for a separated grade crossing on 2600 South over the Union Pacific and Frontrunner tracks. Initially our priority for a separated grade crossing was on 500 South, since it is a state highway that connects I-15 with Legacy Parkway. However, after reviewing the feasibility of a separated grade crossing on 500 South we found it was cost prohibitive due to the location next to Holly Refinery and the businesses around the crossing. Since we need a separated grade crossing in our city, it would be beneficial to get a separated grade crossing on 2600 South. North Salt Lake has a bid from Horrocks Engineers to do the work for \$200,000. UDOT will contribute \$50,000 for the study. North Salt Lake has asked we consider sharing the remaining cost 50/50 which would be \$75,000. It would be important we have some input on the design of the crossing since it affects property within the City and will have effect on our circulation.”

Council Member Checketts said there is some traffic issues further down the road, but the City Administrator said it would just be a separate thing for right now.

Council Member Larrabee asked what budget year this would be included in and the City Administrator said it would be covered in this year's budget.

Council Member Westergard asked if the city has Class C road fund for this project and the City Administrator said there is money but the budget would have to be amended to include this study. The City Administrator also said that Federal Funding would be applied for regarding this

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project. He said the study would help figure out the funding sources for this project. He also said that North Salt Lake would like to see this road become a state route sometime down the road.

The Mayor said he felt this is imperative to get this going for the safety of our citizens to make sure we can get fire and emergency to our city in case of a problem that would block the railroad tracks.

Council Member Dayley said she felt this was a good idea but wanted to know how much of Woods Cross City's interest be represented. The City Administrator said he felt like if the city contributes they would have a say in how this project would be put together.

Following the above discussion Council Member Dayley made a motion to share engineering s costs with North Salt Lake in the amount of \$75,000 for a study on a separated grade crossing on 2600 South on the Union Pacific/Fronrunner Tracks. Council Member Checketts seconded the motion and all voted for the motion through a roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR  
2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

The City Administrator continued with the floor and noted the following for the Council:

“Given to the Council is a table that shows the requested Capital Improvements from the department heads for FY 2019 through FY 2023. The amount requested for FY 2019 is \$1,634,000 also showing the prioritized funding of \$1,465,500. This is considerably higher than those funded in FY 2018 because we sold a piece of property at the end of FY 2017 for \$428,000 which is now available for a one time purchase of equipment or capital projects. You will notice the amount allocated for police vehicles is considerable lower than in previous years. We will purchase the vehicles through a lease program which will mean considerable less outlay in the first few years; however, it will lock us into a debt payment in each succeeding year. In the past I have had concerns about making this commitment since if we have a major loss in sales tax revenue as we did in 2009 & 2010, we would not be able to cut our costs by removing capital expenditures since we are locked into leases. This is still a concern to me, however, it is lessened somewhat because the recent property tax increase has somewhat lessened our reliance upon the sales tax. However, we need to realize once we get into a leasing program, we are committed to that funding on an annual basis.

“The prioritized funding also includes \$200,000 for the City Hall expansion. This will be slated for the end of FY 2019 to give us time to study possible alternatives and to make sure the expansion is the right size to meet our needs.

“There is \$16,500 in equipment for the police department is not funded, however, I am working with the Chief to find funds to get these purchased in this fiscal year.

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“There are \$757,500 in requests, for the Water Fund, with \$592,500 recommended to be funded. This may change depending upon what we do regarding the water leak damage. We may need to push the water meter replacement back one year. Scott has indicated it will result in a loss in revenue due to the meters not accurately recording but we can manage moving it back one year.

Council Member Checketts said she had some information for the Mayor and City Administrator she would like to give them regarding using replacement parts in the meters instead of replacing the entire water meter. The City Administrator said he would take a look at that information and thanked her for the information.

“There is \$148,000 requested in the Storm Drain Fund with that amount being recommended to be funded. With this total being funded there will be a small reduction in the overall cash in the department. I anticipate within the next couple of years we will move that expenditure to a positive number and should not be a problem as we move into the future.

“As mentioned the Capital Improvement plan is a blueprint for capital expenditures which will be further refined as we move further into the budgeting process.”

Council Member Terry asked how the funds would be handled for the mitigation of the water leak problem and the City Administrator said there is a reserve and he would use that to handle the immediate problem and then would have to replace the money in the future as it will be depleted after the funds are dispersed to the residents dealing with the water emergency.

Following the information given by the City Administrator, Council Member Larrabee made a motion to adopt resolution 2018-647, a resolution adopting the fiscal year 2019 Capital Improvement Plan minus the \$400,000 from the water fund. Council Member Dayley seconded the motion and all voted for the motion through a roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A COUNCIL EMPLOYEE KUDO'S POLICY**

The Mayor thanked Council Member Checketts for starting up this program. The Mayor said they needed to put a policy into place regarding this program. He asked for called for any discussion or recommendations on this matter.

Council Member Dayley said she had a few concerns. She said that there were a few things to consider. She said has concern about the funds and definition of bonus and gifts and there are also taxes on gift cards and how those taxes would be paid for. She said that the city could make the gift card greater than the face amount value to cover the taxes. The Council agreed that would be a good way to handle it.

It was discussed whether it still should be presented as a gift or in the form of money on the employees paycheck. Council Member Checketts said she would prefer that it be in the form of a gift card so the nominated employee can come before the City Council and be awarded the gift card and be recognized for their accomplishments. She said she feels it will foster relationships

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between the employee and the City Council if it is a gift that is awarded for those who go above and beyond their regular responsibilities.

The Mayor presented a few concerns that he had as well. He said he would like to discuss

1. How will the nominations be received and handled
2. Frequency of the acknowledgements and any limitations we wish to discuss
3. Monetary value of awards and any budget restraints or concerns
4. Recipient Determination
5. Any other concerns or discussion

The Mayor said he thought once a month would be good and the monetary would be under \$50. He was unsure about how to determine who gets the award. He said he just wants to make sure this is all done above board and recognize employees for a job well done but would like everything to flow smoothly

Council Member Westergard said there should be parameters. He said we have fantastic employees and see what they do but. Julie said there are 48 employees so there could be recognition for each employee every two years. He said he would like to see it be a reward for going above and beyond what is expected not just choosing someone to receive it each month just for doing their job.

Council Member Dayley said the police department has recognition that goes through their website so maybe it can be combined. She asked if it would be if they did something within their job or outside their job.

Council Member Terry said there are enough questions and he would like to see what Council Member Checketts to draft a policy with the input that has been given and the Council can review it at a future meeting.

**NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OBSERVANCE**

The Mayor gave the floor to Council Member Checketts who said it was brought to her attention that the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> is National Law Enforcement observance. She said she would like to see signs put up in yards to bring attention to this day and maybe work with local businesses to be some donations for them. She said she would like to work with Stephanie in the police department to do some nice things maybe one each day.

The Mayor said he would like to see her talk to Stephanie and reach out to Tueller's Ink to see what they might be willing to do about donating signs.

The Mayor said they could put a resolution together and put it on the agenda for the first meeting in May.

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**MEMORIAL DAY UPDATE**

The Mayor said he wanted to double check and make sure everything was going as planned. He asked Council Member Westergard to reach out to Sysco to see what they have done in the past. He also said that Flat Canyon Band would like to perform again this year. He also said he is working on a keynote speaker for that day. He said the bagpipe bag is taken care of. He asked if the YCC is willing to roll all of the silverware and the YCC representatives said they would take care of it. He said CERT will also be there. It was noted the air quality board will also have a booth as well.

Council Member Terry said he had some concerns about the climbing wall and said he wanted to make sure there was enough adult supervision at the climbing wall to make sure it is safe.

The Mayor asked if Council Member Terry if he would be in charge of the race and he said he would be happy to do that.

**OPEN SESSION**

The Mayor opened the meeting to items from those present that they would like to bring before the City Council.

Ms. Dawn Buzbee living at 2202 South 1450 West said thank you to the City for their willingness to help with the water damage because her house had been flooded. She was wondering when she could meet with staff to discuss the damage. It was noted it should be in a couple of weeks. The City Administrator said he would get a plan in place and move forward. She also said she felt like this was quite an emergency in Woods Cross and wondered if there was any emergency funding that could be looked at. The City Administrator said unfortunately it is not to that level. She also asked if the Council could revisit letting dogs in Mills Park. She said she hates being punished because of people.

Council Member Westergard asked if she knew there were places she could go with her dog. He explained them to her. She said the linear parks are not shaded. Council Member Westergard also mentioned the dog park but once again they said there is no shade. He said there may be some changes coming in the future.

Ms. Leola Mikkleson living at 1915 South Sorrento Drive said she is concerned about nothing being done about the old racquet club. The Council noted they have removed some things and the City Administrator said he could contact the owner and see what is going on. She said she would like to see it be condemned or something. She also said she lives on Sorrento Drive and the road is falling apart and is really bad. The City Administrator said he would talk to the Public Works Director and see what can be done.

Ms. Patt Huttshell living at 1307 West 2250 South and said she was wondering if there was any way that some of the other pipes in the city could be looked at. Council Member Terry said he

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deals with it in his job and he said there is really no way to see how the joints fit together and there is no way to go in and look at the joints. Ms. Huttshell said she is just concern this might happen again in the future. The City Administrator said he was going to get the Public Works employees together and see what can be done to avoid this in the future. He also said if the city could increase the response and get on it quicker it might lessen the impact. The Mayor asked Council Member Terry if there was any way to fix the lids on the sewer so this would not happen again. Council Member Terry said he could see no way to avoid this because of the weight of construction of the sewer lids. He said this is just not something that is very common and he could see no easy fix because of the way it is set up.

Mr. Nathan Buzbee and he was wondering if there could be a sewer backup flaps like the ones that are placed at each home. He was wondering if this could work for the city. Council Member Terry said it would be difficult to cut into every sewer drain and it would be cost prohibitive. It was suggested that maybe it be a requirement for newer subdivisions that it be required. Council Member Westergard said he had been reading up on this and there are other problems that happens with the flaps as well but it may be something that a developer could put in.

The Mayor noted there is more graffiti on the overpass and on the fence again. The City Administrator said he would look into the matter.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

Council Member Terry said he could not attend Planning Commission meeting held March 27, 2018 because he was at the special City Council meeting.

Please see the minutes of that meeting for the details of that meeting.

**SOUTH DAVIS SEWER DISTRICT REPORT**

Council Member Westergard reported on the activities of the South Davis Sewer District. He noted that the district is considering a rate increase for the algae project. He said the rates have not been raised for 25 years and we have the lowest rates in the county and many states, but the state is requiring an increase to help fund this project. He said there would be a notice going out to residents to let them know. He said that because of the requirements of the EPA it looks like this will be a requirement.

Council Member Terry asked if the nutrient to energy project would not be a money maker for the district. Council Member Westergard said that probably while the bond is in place an increase would be required but the bond could possibly be paid off early if the project makes enough money.

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**MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor said the fire district met and the new Centerville is moving forward so by the next board meeting they should have an architect and contractor should be in place.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

The City Administrator noted there is a need for crossing guards so he has asked the Chief of Police to provide him with a starting wage and to create a pay scale and have evaluations and increases.

Council Member Checketts said there is some concern about the flashing lights and maybe have the solar light backups in case of a power outage. She said she thought this would be a good safety measure. She said one of the police officers is looking into the matter. The City Administrator said he would get with the police officer and also look into the matter.

The Mayor also asked if there was any information about how the other city's broadcast their meeting. The City Recorder said most of the city's broadcast through YouTube because it is a no cost option. There was a question if there were any security concerns and it was noted there did not seem to be many from the other cities.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:05 P.M. Council Member Terry made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Council Member Checketts seconding the motion and all voted for the motion through a roll call vote.

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Rick Earnshaw, Mayor

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Jessica Sims, City Recorder