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**Minutes of the North Logan City  
City Council  
Held on April 20, 2016  
At the North Logan City Library, North Logan, Utah**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lloyd Berentzen at 6:30 p.m.

Council members present were: Kristen Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey (via Facetime) and Nancy Potter.

Others present were: Kevin Bouck, Jaxon Riggs, Nick Bouck, Adam Gibbons, Braxton Bushman, Aaron Hall, Val Potter, Marasol Eliason, Jadin Penigar, Dayton Crites, Jim Gass, Madeleine Waddoups, Lauren & Linda Hayes, Neal & Debra Muncy, Russell Goodwin, Tom Suchoski, Adam Winger, Steve Condie, Lydia Embry, Kim Hawkes, Scott Bennett, Alan Luce, Cordell Batt, Jeff Jorgensen and Marie Wilhelm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by North Logan City Boy Scout Troop 317.  
An invocation was given by Chief Kim Hawkes.

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**Adoption of Agenda**

*Nancy Potter made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Roger Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor.*

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**Approval and Follow-up of Minutes of April 6, 2015 City Council Meeting, Regular and Closed**

*Both sets of minutes were approved as presented.*

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**Review of Action Items**

*There was no action items list for this week.*

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**New Business**

Overview presentation, explanation, and discussion on the creation of the Cache Water District. Following the presentation the Council may consider a resolution to allow the citizens of the city to vote on establishing the Cache Water District in the upcoming general election in November. (Bridgerland Water Group)

Jim Gass, former Smithfield City Administrator, explained that he was at the council meeting to represent a board that was formed by Cache County to look into the formation of a Water Conservancy District, representing Cache County. He said this came about as a result of the Bear River Development Act, which he further explained in detail, as well as the reason for and function of the board, including helping municipalities preserve, obtain and use their water rights. He said this district will have more power and influence when decisions are made at the state level. He detailed the situation further. He said they are not seeking a vote on a resolution at this meeting on whether or not to form a district to go on the ballot this November; they just want to explain the process for now. He listed various items that would be part of the resolution including who and what form the district; and, the amount that the district can levy in the form of taxes, which is limited by statute, which he further explained. He explained the dynamics of the board, and said they ultimately want it to be comprised of elected officials. He continued to discuss various related items and answer questions from the council. He mentioned the other cities that have passed the resolution, including the cities of Lewiston, Logan, Mendon, and said it will soon be going to Smithfield and Richmond.

Mayor Berentzen reiterated to the council that the resolution to be considered does not *create* the district; it just gives the people of the City the opportunity to vote on it.

Damon Cann said the council has not yet seen an actual copy of the resolution, which Jeff addressed; and Jim Gass explained that he had received his copy of the one tailored for North Logan City, just thirty minutes before this meeting. Jim also said this did not need to be passed at this meeting; that there is still time to pass it later and still have it done before the county's

61 deadline. He further explained the process for this.

62 Val Potter said there will be seven districts within the Cache County District and also explained  
63 how the district will be put together, including with what members; and briefly discussed  
64 representation.

65 Damon explained that he is in support of this, but that he just wants the opportunity to review the  
66 document before he votes on it.

67 Mayor Berentzen said they will put it on the agenda for the next meeting for a vote [the vote will  
68 be on June 1<sup>st</sup> instead]; and also asked for staff to put it on the website so that the citizens can  
69 review it.

70 Kristen Anderson said she feels it is important for North Logan City to participate in this because  
71 otherwise, the City doesn't have any influence over this, and commented further.

72 Jim Gass explained that the county did a Water Master Plan in which they reviewed the various  
73 cities around the county and projected how soon they would be running out of water based on our  
74 current growth and the development we're seeing in the communities. He said it is interesting  
75 how fast many of the communities, including North Logan run out of water, when looking twenty  
76 to thirty years into the future. He said we need the water here as much as they need it along the  
77 Wasatch Front; and that if we don't have the organization in place to preserve, protect and  
78 develop that water, we could very easily lose it, and commented further. He further discussed the  
79 importance of this for the future of the land in our county.

80 John Bailey said that it makes good sense to allow the citizens to weigh in on this, and asked if  
81 anyone had any arguments against allowing the citizens to be part of this. Jim said there are no  
82 arguments against the issue of having the citizens included in the process. He also said in order  
83 to even form this district, it has to be done with the vote of the public, so it's not even been a  
84 discussion point. He said the onus is on us to explain the importance of this to the public.

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86 Consider adopting an ordinance making proposed zoning changes to the Forest Recreation Zone  
87 including the land for the new high school and surrounding areas of public property.

88 Jeff Jorgensen introduced the item and explained the previous discussions on this by the City  
89 Council and Planning Commission. He said this is a rezone of the area around the ice center and  
90 the new high school area. He displayed a map of the site to further explain the situation.

91 Mayor Berentzen said that when this was reviewed originally, they always knew that there would  
92 have to be zoning change once all the land acquisitions were done. He referred to the comments  
93 made at the public hearing from some people complaining that this was done "at the last minute";  
94 and said that while we *might* have been able to do this a little sooner, they could not do anything  
95 prior to knowing exactly the areas that were defined once the project commenced.

96 Jeff further explained some of the original zoning plans, and why they had to wait for some things  
97 to occur before doing this. He also said we had to wait, otherwise it would have changed the  
98 valuation of the property. He addressed various questions from the council.

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100 *Damon Cann made a motion to adopt ordinance 16-01 rezoning this area. Nancy Potter*  
101 *seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Kristen*  
102 *Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey and Nancy Potter voting in favor.*

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104 Reconsider and approve a revised flood protection plan for Canyon Gates Subdivision for  
105 submission to the US Corps of Engineers.

106 Mayor Berentzen introduced the item and asked Tom Suchoski to address some of the City's  
107 issues and concerns. Tom referred to his previous presentation, and discussed the remaining  
108 issues the council has, and how they could potentially be managed; and discussed changing the  
109 infiltration rate value that goes into the model to address ground infiltration, particularly for the  
110 concern regarding a storm event during a time of existing frozen ground. He further discussed  
111 potential design elements that could work best, including how to best landscape the steep slopes  
112 to allow for reasonable maintenance; as well as working to increase the basin slightly. He also  
113 discussed creating designs for better diversion. He continued to detail his presentation on the  
114 potential plan for this subdivision, as well as to address additional questions from the council.

115 Nancy Potter asked if the canal companies are okay with this and Tom said the City will be  
116 responsible for working with the canal companies. Jim Gass and Jeff Jorgensen addressed this  
117 further.

118 Mayor Berentzen and Tom explained the process for moving this forward.

119 Tom continued to address questions from the council and explain the function of the various  
120 ponds, including that it is there to handle a problem and assist the City; and said at this point,  
121 there is no protection whatsoever if a flood comes down, and explained why this plan will take  
122 care of the issues.

123 He continued to discuss various scenarios, from the past, as well as hypothetical situations, and  
124 how they have been and will be managed. There was also discussion about how and whether  
125 making the basin deeper would help a flood situation, which Tom said would not make a  
126 significant change in the storage needs we would be dealing with.

127 Nancy reiterated her concern about the basin not being built large enough, and potentially  
128 overflowing the basin in a flood situation, and then having the citizens frustrated with North Logan  
129 City for not building it large enough.

130 Mrs. Suchoski (Tom's wife) commented and expressed her thoughts that while there will always  
131 be a "bigger" storm to overflow any size of a basin. She said if they build a large enough basin to  
132 handle most of it, and include having spillways and other systems that control the water as it goes  
133 through, which she said is what FEMA requires; she said she has seen this work time and time  
134 again, and commented further.

135 Tom continued his presentation and discussed the process for approving this and how things  
136 would move forward; and the discussion continued.

137 Jeff and Tom continued to address various questions.

138 Damon Cann said he wanted to hear comments from Public Works; and also wanted more time  
139 to review this before making a decision.

140 Alan Luce thanked Tom for answering the questions that he put together from staff and the  
141 council. He said his opinion is that they move forward with the plan in accordance with Tom's  
142 presentation and not counting on requiring the "Johnson basin". We would send this revised plan  
143 to FEMA. He said he feels the City could still look forward and consider options of either  
144 purchasing a portion, or all of the Johnson basin. He said it would be difficult, but thinks it's  
145 possible over a long period of time. Per a question from Mayor Berentzen, Alan said he was in  
146 favor of flattening the basin out, rather than making it deeper, in order for the basin to be more  
147 versatile and usable, which he further explained. There was further discussion about the basin  
148 being covered primarily in grass, and Alan said the design that is the one most wanted is one that  
149 has grass on the bottom of the basin in order to have play fields; and, natural grasses around the  
150 sides to blend into the area of Green Canyon with a good transition, and explained further.

151 Nancy discussed the need for a good plan.

152 Mayor Berentzen said he wants to know how strict the Army Corps of Engineers would be in their  
153 evaluation of this and commented further.

154 The discussion regarding various related items continued.

155 Nancy asked if we are doing this so that the developers can put more homes in there. Jeff said  
156 that was absolutely not the case. He explained that he was very concerned that the size of the  
157 basins had been over-designed; and that the basins, as originally approved, would not be very  
158 usable, or easily maintained. He said for these reasons and more that he explained, this is being  
159 reviewed to determine what will work best here. He reiterated that this had nothing to do with the  
160 developers requesting a change.

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162 *Damon Cann made a motion to approve this revised flood protection plan for Canyon Gates*  
163 *Subdivision for submission to the US Corps of Engineers, contingent on getting an agreement*  
164 *with the canal company in place to support collaboration in the way that the City has outlined; and*  
165 *also that the developer will work with the City when the time comes to deal with planting in the*  
166 *basin and determine how best to work that out. Nancy Potter seconded the motion.*  
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168 Mayor Berentzen said is not the only area the City needs to be concerned with in North Logan;  
169 that we have other areas which have water issues that we need to be concerned with.

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171 *A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.*  
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173 Consider approval to award the bid for the 400 East waterline replacement in the summer of  
174 2016.

175 Alan Luce discussed the previous discussion on this, and presented the paperwork from the other  
176 bidders explaining why they weren't able to do these projects, per the council's request. He

177 further discussed the Rupps bid being recommended for approval, and addressed various  
178 questions from the council.

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180 *John Bailey made a motion to approve the Rupps Trucking bid. Roger Anderson seconded the*  
181 *motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Kristen Anderson, Roger*  
182 *Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey and Nancy Potter voting in favor.*

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184 **City Council Work Session Items**

185 Presentation from Dayton Crites, the new Cache County Trails Coordinator.  
186 Dayton Crites gave a presentation on what his job entails, the benefits of having a trails system in  
187 a city, and the various ways he can assist North Logan City in bettering our trails plan, particularly  
188 with improving the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. He discussed the importance of having items  
189 relating to trails included in our ordinances, and said that he reviewed North Logan City's  
190 ordinances and made some recommended changes, which he gave to the City.

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192 John Bailey said he is very interested in interconnectivity and commented further. He said his  
193 other concern is that we need to get it into our ordinances so that we can get "ahead of it",  
194 because he said that a lot of our canal trails are "hamstrung" by right-of-way issues; and he would  
195 like to lean towards the public's right to have access to these trails, and commented further.

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197 Nancy Potter said she appreciates Dayton working with North Logan City and commented further,  
198 including that she would like see trails connecting all over the valley.

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200 **2017 Budget Presentations**

- 201 • Streets Department
- 202 • Utilities Department (Water and Sewer)

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203 **Streets Department**

204 Alan Luce presented the budget for this department.

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206 **Utilities Department (Water and Sewer)**

207 Alan Luce presented the budget for these areas, and discussed the various needs. He said the  
208 treatment plant is starting to get old, and discussed potentially replacing some of the cells which  
209 they may be able to in-house to save quite a bit of money. He also discussed a damaged  
210 waterline project that needs to be done.

211 He continued to discuss various items and answered questions from the council. He also  
212 discussed that we need to purchase water rights, and also purchase a back-up generator next to  
213 the new well.

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215 **Reports from city officers, boards, and committees**

216 Adam Winger got word this week that the library will be receiving a grant from the Institute of  
217 Museum & Library Science that was applied for with USU which will supply \$481K over the next  
218 three years. He explained further and said it should take effect July 1, 2016.

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220 Alan Luce explained the Arbor Day event taking place on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. He said that Lee's  
221 Trees is going to come and pay for all the planting of the trees and explained further.

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223 Roger Anderson discussed the blight situation on Elk Ridge west of the canal on 2500 North and  
224 some garbage left over by the work being done on the canals. Alan said that is being worked on,  
225 and that 100 truck loads, i.e. three-fourths, of the refuse there has already been removed over the  
226 last few weeks, and will continue to be. The dumping in and by the green waste bins, including  
227 what continues to be done illegally, was also discussed.

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229 Nancy Potter asked about the status of the RV Park situation. Mayor Berentzen explained the  
230 call he received from Steve Taylor's attorney, as well as Mayor's response, which was to  
231 essentially say North Logan City is not interested in continuing with this situation. Mayor  
232 Berentzen discussed some of the ongoing issues with the RV Park representatives.

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234 Nancy Potter asked about the Daines house, and Jeff said we haven't proceeded on it at this  
235 time.

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- 237 • Review economic development opportunities
- 238 • A new logo for the city

239 Economic Development

240 Madeleine Waddoups, North Logan City's new Economic Development Coordinator, gave a  
241 presentation on how to improve our situation with economic development. She also discussed an  
242 upcoming Mayor's luncheon to gather local business owners together, get feedback and  
243 determine what they need, and commented further.

244 Nancy Potter suggested getting the North Logan businesses to actually advertise that they are  
245 actually *in* North Logan, and not Logan, which some continue to state.

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247 New City Logo

248 Kristen Anderson discussed the North Logan City sample logos she received from the person she  
249 has been working with on this. The council discussed this at length.

250 The council agreed to have Kristen work with her further.

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252 Russell Goodwin referred to the new Economic Development Coordinator, and discussed the  
253 history of the economic development staff in our City and the benefit of a having an economic  
254 development board, as we have had in the past. Mayor Berentzen explained that do we have an  
255 advisory group, and agreed with Russell that we need do put something together that is  
256 committed to working on this more fully, and commented further.

257 Mayor reminded the attendees that the luncheon will be held on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00  
258 p.m., in the conference room at the North Logan Library Building.

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261 *Nancy Potter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kristen Anderson seconded the motion. A*  
262 *vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey, Roger*  
263 *Anderson, Damon Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor.*

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265 The meeting adjourned at: 9:13 p.m.

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267 Approved by City Council: May 4, 2016

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269 Transcribed by: Marie Wilhelm

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Scott Bennett/City Recorder

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