

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 17, 2016,  
AT THE HYRUM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 60 WEST MAIN, HYRUM, UTAH.

**CONVENED:** 6:30 P.M.

**CONDUCTING:** Mayor Stephanie Miller

**ROLL CALL:** Councilmembers Kathleen Bingham, Jared L. Clawson, Paul C. James, Craig L. Rasmussen, and Aaron Woolstenhulme were present.

**CALL TO ORDER:** There being five members present and five members representing a quorum, Mayor Miller called the meeting to order.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Administrator Ron Salvesen and about seventy citizens. City Recorder Stephanie Fricke recorded the minutes.

**WELCOME:** Mayor Miller welcomed everyone in attendance and invited audience participation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Boy Scout Kayson Hertzler led the governing body and the citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Rasmussen

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of a regular meeting on February 18, 2016 were approved as amended.

Councilmember Bingham recommended on Page 16, Paragraph 8: 1. change "Jake and Rod have worked and met with neighboring resident." to "Jake and Rod have worked and met with neighboring residents."; and 2. after "She is not thrilled with 44 units" change "but if there is a second access she would be more in favor of it." to ". But feels a second access would be necessary if it goes forward."

**ACTION**

**Councilmember Clawson made a motion to approve the minutes of February 18, 2016 with the above amendments. Councilmember Woolstenhulme seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Clawson, James, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye. The motion passed.**

**AGENDA ADOPTION:** A copy of the notice and agenda for this meeting was FAXED and emailed to The Herald Journal, posted on the Utah

Public Notice Website and Hyrum City's Website, provided to each member of the governing body, and posted at the City Offices more than forty-eight hours before meeting time.

**ACTION**

**Councilmember James made a motion to approve the agenda for March 17, 2016 as written. Councilmember Clawson seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Clawson, James, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye. The motion passed.**

## AGENDA

8. PUBLIC COMMENT
9. SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:
  - A. Deb Reynolds - To request a home occupation business license at 595 Glenwood Drive for a preschool.
  - B. Troy Kartchner, Elk Mountain PUD - To request amending the Concept Plan for Elk Mountain a Planned Unit Development to increase density from 288 units to 415 units as follows: 1. Add a 150 unit Multi-Family Apartment Complex; 2. Reduce the number of townhouses from 158 to 109; 3. Increase the number of single family building lots from 106 to 144; and 4. Decrease the number of twin homes from 24 to 12. This property is located at approximately 1100 East to 1600 East between 300 South and 500 South (approximately 80 acres).
10. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE:
  - A. Ordinance 16-01 - Am ordinance repealing and reenacting Title 6 (Animals) of the Hyrum City Municipal Code.
11. OTHER BUSINESS:
  - A. Consideration and approval of a Proclamation declaring April 5, 2016 National Service Recognition Day.
  - B. Elite Hall.
  - C. Mayor and City Council reports.
12. ADJOURNMENT

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Miller said she along with the Hyrum City Council received 27 letters from residents regarding the proposed Elk Mountain Planned Unit Development Concept Plan. The following 3 residents wrote letter in support of the Plan: Trish and Dave Mercer, Linda Bodily, and James Johnson. The following 24 residents wrote letters against the Plan: Ruth and Larry Allen, Kristen Allsop, Jacob Anderson, Diana Atkinson, Chareine Barker, Janae Campbell,

Lindsay and Adam Heaton, Samie Holbrook, Rachel Israelsen, Janette Jenkins, Shauna Johnson, Barbara Hall King, Vicky McCombs, Casey and Amanda Jenkins, Tiffany Farnsworth, Shavon Hill, Jennifer Morgan, Cheryl Olsen, Samantha Ray, Denis Rudd, Megan Woolstenhulme, and Cheli.

Mayor Miller asked those residents present and wanting to comment to please keep all comments under three minutes.

Sandy Gibbs said she lives in Elk Mountain and is in favor of the proposed amendment, however, she does not want the neighborhood nonprofit housing development to have access to 300 North through Elk Mountain. She is concerned about the increase in traffic through her neighborhood.

Kim Datwyler said she is the Director of Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing and she wants to promote well planned community growth and this concept plan for Elk Mountain is not. Many residents from Elk Mountain are in favor of the proposed amendments because they want the amenities they were promised and see this as a way of getting those amenities. However, there are other ways to get these amenities without compromising Hyrum City's design and growth standards. With the apartments it changes the density of Elk Mountain from 2.65 units per acre to 16 units per acre. The proposed rear and side yard requirements adjacent to the apartments and the property to the south do not meet the City standards for single family residential and are definitely inappropriate for multi-family housing. She suggested moving apartments to the northeast end of property and reducing the overall density to 3 units per acre.

Megan Woolstenhulme said after seeing the proposed amendments to Elk Mountain she reviewed Hyrum City's General Plan to see if this proposal met Hyrum City's vision that is set forth in the General Plan. Hyrum City's General Plan is mainly about positive and protective growth to keep a rural atmosphere in Hyrum. She is in favor of growth and understands growth is necessary but she is not in favor of high density growth and especially not to this excessive of a level. She along with many other residents came to Planning Commission and City Council Meetings a little over six months ago opposing high density housing just east of McDonalds. Hyrum is a great place to live and doesn't understand why multi-family housing keeps coming back if the residents of this City oppose it. She recommended making Elk Mountain continue its development as approved in 2007 since it has open space, parks, and doesn't have such a high level of density. She asked the City

Council to please listen to the residents and follow its General Plan and help Hyrum preserve its rural feel while allowing growth to happen.

Lisa Weller said she lives near this development. Her two main concerns are the increase in traffic that this will create in her neighborhood and the number of apartments being proposed in one area. She asked the City Council to look at what the City has approved in the past and continue only allowing one fourplex every 660 feet. By limiting high density housing in an area it doesn't deteriorate a neighborhood or in ten years be an area of blight. Apartments tend to look run down in a short amount of time and this level of density doesn't fit Hyrum or what the residents of Hyrum want. She asked the City Council to allow for growth but in a way that continues to preserve the character and the type of growth its citizens want.

Friend Weller said he moved to Hyrum because of the rural feel. Every few years there is a request to change Hyrum with high density housing. He is not opposed to land being developed and single family homes being built but he is opposed to this level of high density housing. This development was approved with townhouses and should stay that way. It is not the City's responsibility to ensure a developer makes money. But it is the City Council's responsibility to ensure Hyrum grows and maintains its development standards because when a developer leaves it is not fair to expect the citizens to pay for any problems left by developer.

Jeff Hertzler said he is a concerned resident and wants to know what impact this development will have on Hyrum City's infrastructure. Currently, there is already low pressure on Hyrum City's pressurized irrigation system and with the proposed development the water pressure will continue to decrease. The proposed development with neighborhood nonprofit housing will increase Hyrum's density by 20% with only 3 people per household if there are four people per household it would increase the population by 28%. He is concerned about the large number of people in such a small area for the apartments and does not believe the proposed plan will be good for the future of Hyrum.

Lauren Davis said she is very passionate about this development and feels like this will be a great improvement to the area. She lives in the Elk Mountain Development and there are several townhouses that have renters in them and these people do not create any problems. They are her neighbors and friends. The developer

left Elk Mountain without any of the amenities promised and the area looks abandoned with unlandscaped areas and cement pieces left everywhere. She hopes the Hyrum City Council will approve the proposed plan and give this development and the owners in this development a fresh start. Hyrum is a thriving place to live and the way Elk Mountain looks now it is not inviting or progressive in anyway shape or form. She is in favor of this development.

Wendy Bowers said the backyard of her house borders Hammer Road. She is very concerned about the number of proposed apartments due to the increase in traffic on the roads. Hammer Road has no sidewalks and the area already has little to none police patrol. People are always speeding on Hammer road. People in apartments have kids there is a park before the City approves apartments it needs to ensure its infrastructure including sidewalks can handle the growth and protect its current residents. She doesn't have a problem with people building single family houses but the proposed development puts the burden on the home owners near Elk Mountain by deteriorating their property values and their quality of life. She doesn't want to see 500 apartments in an area that was suppose to have plenty of open space and parks with minimal townhouses. She understands the frustration of the residents in Elk Mountain wanting the amenities promised but it should not come at her cost. If they want the pool and other amenities promised talked to their developer. The new developer is offering these things that were already promised but for a higher density and that is not fair to the residents outside of Elk Mountain.

Sky Nelson said he lives in Elk Mountain and the developer did promise a lot of amenities and it is obvious those amenities are not going to get built. For the last three years there has been no growth in Elk Mountain and things are starting to look run down. The way the property has been left is what is deteriorating neighbors property values. He didn't fully want apartments either when Kartchner first proposed the development, however, after listening to his presentation he looks at this as an opportunity to clean up an area of Hyrum and for the residents of Elk Mountain to get what was promised. Hyrum has an opportunity to approve something that will create a great community and improve the area.

David Kerr said he lives in Elk Mountain and he is in favor of the proposed changes to Elk Mountain. The last developer has left the residents in Elk Mountain high and dry with no amenities and development has stopped. Kartchner has submitted a plan that will bring development back to this area and create a neighborhood rather than an abandoned development. Growth happens and this

property was already approved for development. The proposed plan will make this area into a neighborhood that the residents of Elk Mountain can be proud to live in.

Brian Zang said even though he prefers the proposed development does not happen he thinks the City Council needs to be very careful in being too restrictive with zoning. It doesn't seem fair to a developer or resident to have strict zoning laws. There may be problems caused by such high density but that is an assumption and until it is built and it happens the City Council needs to remain objective.

Andrew Norgren said he lives in Elk Mountain and purchased his townhome until he could afford to buy a single family home. The proposed development could be very good for the people in this area. It would increase home values. Home values in this area have not increased since he bought his townhouse. It is a great neighborhood and there are several townhouses that are rented and the people renting the townhouses are great neighbors. Renters are not bad people they are regular people who may be trying to save enough money to afford a home. He is planning on renting his townhouse when he moves and will continue to be vested in the development.

Lance Liljenquist said he lives on 1300 East and is against the proposed development. He hopes the City Council will stick with the original plan. The proposed development is too high of a density for one area. There are a lot of great people who live in Hyrum and have chosen to because of its small town feel. That's why he still lives here in Hyrum and he doesn't want such a high number of apartments in his neighborhood changing his quality of life and the reasons he chose to live in Hyrum. He is in favor of growth and is not opposed to the original plan but does not feel the proposed plan is something the residents want nor it will it be good for Hyrum.

Tracy Petersen said she is opposed to the plan. It is too much growth in one area to quickly. Nibley grew fast and it led to many problems with utilities, infrastructure, planning, churches, schools, etc. She understands this development may take 10 years to build-out but in the end it will have too high of a density.

Matt Ward said he lives at 1070 East and he is opposed to the proposed plan. He moved to Hyrum a couple of years ago and has fallen in love with the area. He likes the small town feel and is very concerned with this high number of apartments. Growth needs

to happen but he prefers single family dwellings that have space between houses. Once a development like this is approved and is built there is no turning back. Most apartments look good for 10 to 15 years then they start to look run down. A developer can sale the property at anytime to anyone. There is no guarantee that this developer won't sell this development before it is built or after it is built. He asked the City Council to not go down this route and put the risk on its citizens.

Cami Anderson said she live in Elk Mountain and loves it. There are many townhome renters and they are great people and she enjoys having them part of the community. A lot of the owners of the townhouses keep the property when they move and use it as a rental property. This area will continue to grow and as it grows new schools and churches may need to be built the same way the current schools and churches have - when needed. This property will be developed and Kartchner has a great proposal that will make this area an asset to Hyrum and the existing neighborhoods.

Luann Keller said she lives in Elk Mountain and will remain there hopefully forever. She is the process of refinancing her townhouse and the appraisal came back \$15,000 less than her purchase price. When she purchased her townhome Elk Mountain was in the process of being developed there were plans for a swimming pool, club house, open space, etc., however, the last couple of years development has stopped and the promised amenities have not been built. The majority of owners in Elk Mountain don't care about the amenities but they want the development finished. They want the area they live in to look nice and not like it has been abandoned. She is in favor of the proposed plan because it will bring growth back to Elk Mountain and hopefully be a positive to Hyrum.

David Francis with Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing said growth will happen but planning is critical. This concept plan at 16 units per acre is not good planning, it will actually be a huge problem. There will be an estimated 1,200 trips a day on the roads in and adjacent to Elk Mountain. That is a huge burden to the existing residents living on those roads. The best place for the apartments are in the northeast corner then the apartments would be adjacent to the City park. This will give the children some place to play and traffic another route to enter and exit from other than 300 North to 800 East. This level of high density housing should border an industrial park and not single family homes.

Brandon Zook said he is in favor of this plan because it would allow a family to live in Hyrum that may not be able to afford to

live here if there weren't apartments.

Drew Brown said he is opposed to apartments. He lived in an apartment for Logan for five years. The complex required background checks but even then he still had stuff stolen. During the five years people continually moved in and out of the apartments.

Ben Farnsworth said he was with Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing which will border the south boundary line of Elk Mountain. Neighborhood Nonprofit housing is a single family development and he is there representing the 200 families that will live in the nonprofit housing subdivision. High density housing is unavoidable and with good planning it can be an asset to a community and provide an option for people wanting or needing to rent. He does not think the apartments should be built on the south border of the property rather the apartments should be built in the north west corner.

Michael Clawson said his farm is to the west of Elk Mountain. He is not opposed to development but he is concerned about the potential number of rentals in this development. Many townhomes are already being rented or were bought for the purpose for future rental property income then add in the 150 apartments and that is a lot of rentals in one area. Kartchner has promised to build a fence between his farm and Elk Mountain to protect the children that may want to play in his fields. The fence will hopefully deter children from his fields and his equipment. If a child is hiding in the field there is no way to see or possibly stop the farm equipment in time if the child doesn't move out of the way quickly. It is one of his greatest fears when he is out cutting hay that a child is hiding or will play chicken and something will happen. Installation of a fence adjacent to farm property can not be the responsibility of the individual homeowner because a homeowner won't have the money or it may not be a priority to install the fence. A developer needs to be responsible for installing a fence along agriculture property to keep children safe.

Mayor Miller asked if there was any further public comment. She thanked the residents of Hyrum for their concerns and input.

***SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:***

**DEB REYNOLDS - TO REQUEST A HOME OCCUPATION BUSINESS LICENSE AT 595 GLENWOOD DRIVE FOR A PRESCHOOL.**



Deb Reynolds said she is retiring from teaching school and wants to start a preschool in her home at 595 Glenwood Drive. She will have between eight to ten kids at her home at one time.

**ACTION**

**Councilmember James made a motion to approve a Home Occupation Business License at 595 Glenwood Drive for a preschool with the condition that all State requirements are met. Councilmember Clawson seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Clawson, James, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye.**

**TROY KARTCHNER, ELK MOUNTAIN PUD - TO REQUEST AMENDING THE CONCEPT PLAN FOR ELK MOUNTAIN A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT TO INCREASE DENSITY FROM 288 UNITS TO 415 UNITS AS FOLLOWS: 1. ADD A 150 UNIT MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENT COMPLEX; 2. REDUCE THE NUMBER OF TOWNHOUSES FROM 158 TO 109; 3. INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SINGLE FAMILY BUILDING LOTS FROM 106 TO 144; AND 4. DECREASE THE NUMBER OF TWIN HOMES FROM 24 TO 12. THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 1100 EAST TO 1600 EAST BETWEEN 300 SOUTH AND 500 SOUTH (APPROXIMATELY 80 ACRES).**

Troy Kartchner said throughout the past year and a half he has been asked to purchase the Elk Mountain property and take over development of the area. The current developer/owner is from the Wasatch Front and purchased the property and proposed a development without understanding Cache Valley's housing market. He has spoken with the developer many times and he is a good man. If Troy doesn't buy the property this man will try to start developing this property again. Cache Valley has a need for rentals the population is getting younger and not everyone wants or can afford a house. He has been building for 20 years and Cache Valley is going to experience a lot of growth in the future and Hyrum will get a significant amount of this growth. There is a need and demand for high density housing in Cache Valley. Many people can no longer qualify for loans. Apartments are being rented by single mothers, single fathers, young college age students, and older people that don't want the hassle of owning a home. He doesn't know if Hyrum City wants this type of development but in order for him to purchase Elk Mountain and not go broke he needs to amend the original plan by adding 150 apartments. This project won't happen over night rather it will be broken up into phases. He will build some apartments now and when there is demand he will be build additional units. He has met and spoken to the current residents of Elk Mountain about his proposal and how he can get the area growing again and provide the amenities that were promised

to them. The only way for the approved amenities to be provided and continued to be maintained is if there are apartments. Without fees the association dues would be so great the fees would become a huge burden on the residents of Elk Mountain.

City Administrator Ron Salvesen said on March 10, 2016 the Hyrum City Planning Commission held a public hearing on this item and made a motion to recommend approval with the following conditions: 1. The waterline concerns to Clawson's property be worked out; 2. Amenity improvements be built in first phase of apartment development; 3. Add another access to Hammer Road; and 4. Fences be required on boundary line on the west side of development and on the west and south sides of the apartment complex.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked in which phase would the apartments be built and when would the amenities be built.

Troy Kartchner said some of the apartments will be built in the first phase or he can not afford to build the amenities. He will build 50 apartments and then the playground, common area, pool and clubhouse.

Councilmember Bingham asked if the development could include one level duplexes. There is a demand for senior housing in Hyrum and this would be a good area for it.

Councilmember Clawson said the previous townhouse development the City Council approved the Council put a maximum number of units that could be used as rentals. He is concerned about the number of apartments plus with the townhouses that it would be an area consisting of mainly rental properties.

Troy Kartchner said the reason why the townhouses are being used as rentals is because the property owner can not sale the townhouse for what the owner owes. Once this area starts to grow and the amenities are built property values will increase and the townhouses will be sold and not used as a rental property.

Councilmember Woolstenhulme said he too is concerned about the number of apartments being proposed in such a small area. He asked Troy why he was asking for such a large number of apartments. He also asked Troy where the demand for these apartments would come from since most people living in apartments are going to school or are young and want to live in Logan where there is no commute.

Troy Kartchner said in order to offer the amenities and provide an

on site property maintenance and manager it takes a minimum of 150 units to cover costs. The original plan has too many townhouses for the area and the market can not support that many. He doesn't want to invest into property that may take 20 years before it is built out. Troy said not everyone that rents wants to live in Logan. There are plenty of people looking for rental units that are located outside of Logan City.

Councilmember Woolstenhulme asked Troy if he would still develop the property if the apartments were not approved. He is not opposed to growth but it's the large number of apartments that concern him.

Troy Kartchner said there is a need in Hyrum for rental units. He will not purchase Elk Mountain without approval of the apartments. Councilmember Rasmussen said the proposed plan has significantly less open space, and walking trails. There is nothing that improves the plan instead it significantly increases density. The plan shows landscaping in park strips that are not wide enough to accommodate the landscaping. There are not enough trees and the amount shown on the plat is not realistic since there isn't enough space between the homes to allow that many trees. He would prefer Troy bring back to the City Council a more realistic plan with actual dimensions.

**ACTION**

**Councilmember Rasmussen made a motion to deny Troy Kartchner's request to amend the Concept Plan for Elk Mountain Planned Unit Development. The plan needs to be worked and resubmitted. Councilmember Woolstenhulme seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye, and Councilmembers Clawson and James voted nay. The motion passed.**

Troy Kartchner thanked the City Council for its time and told them he would not be reworking the plan and will not bring it back to the City Council.

Mayor Miller suggested amending the ordinance to not allow high density housing if the City Council is never going to approve it.

Councilmember Woolstenhulme said he would like to have a joint meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss the City Council's concern with high density housing. Maybe there is a way to put a maximum number of units so that it doesn't have a negative impact on a neighborhood.

The City Council discussed some ideas and agreed that a joint meeting with the Planning Commission is needed.

***INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE:***

**ORDINANCE 16-01 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REENACTING TITLE 6 (ANIMALS) OF THE HYRUM CITY MUNICIPAL CODE.**

Mayor Miller said this Ordinance was brought before the City Council on February 18, 2016. The City Council tabled the ordinance so the City Council could have more time to review the ordinance.

**ACTION**

Councilmember James made a motion to adopt Ordinance 16-01 repealing and reenacting Title 6 (Animals) of the Hyrum City Municipal Code. Councilmember Rasmussen seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Clawson, James, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye. The motion passed.

***OTHER BUSINESS:***

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 5, 2016 NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY.**

Mayor Miller read the Proclamation declaring April 5, 2016 National Service Recognition Day.

**ACTION**

Councilmember James made a motion to approve the Proclamation Declaring April 5, 2016 National Service Recognition Day. Councilmember Bingham seconded the motion and Councilmembers Bingham, Clawson, James, Rasmussen, and Woolstenhulme voted aye. The motion passed.

**ELITE HALL.**

Museum Director Jami VanHuss said she is excited about the restoration and preservation of the Elite Hall. The Elite Hall Committee met and discussed the possible use and design flow for the building. In order for the Elite Hall to function and meet ADA requirements there needs to be a handicap accessible entrance into the building. Councilmember Rasmussen has designed a small annex onto the Elite Hall that would provide a foyer/reception area, kitchen area, an office, and a ramp access. The annex will not be built until there are funds in place to cover the costs,

but since the new City Office parking lot was being designed it was important to plan for the annex. There will be funding and resources available but the City has to plan for it. Also a foundation needs to be formed so the committee can start applying for grants, and raising money for the restoration.

Councilmember Clawson asked if there is a need for this type of a building and if funding can really be found so the City doesn't have to pay for the restoration of the building.

Jami VanHuss said there is a need for this building. There are number of uses for it and those uses will be used to find funding sources.

Mayor Miller said the City does not have the funding to restore the Elite Hall and the City Council has stated that.

Jami VanHuss said the Elite Hall Committee is working on a couple of things and they are important parts to the restoration. The first is creating a foundation and the second is the building of the annex. She knows there will be donors that will want their names on the annex. She is not worried about funding for the annex. The annex is aesthetically pleasing and fits the look of the Elite Hall. It provides a great access and will be a great edition.

City Administrator Ron Salvesen said the City doesn't have two million dollars for the restoration of the Elite Hall. He is concerned at the cost to the tax payers of Hyrum to restore or maintain the Elite Hall. He asked the City Council what the purpose of the Elite Hall was and if it is for a rental hall then if the City should be competing against private businesses that provide rental halls.

Councilmember Rasmussen said Jami VanHuss and the committee is working on a plan to raise money and to find substantial donors so that it doesn't cost the taxpayers money. The Elite Hall is a historical building and is part of Hyrum City's history. He would like to see the City Council support the design of the annex to the Elite Hall so that the new parking lot can be designed around it. The annex doesn't have to be built at this time but he hopes the City Council will allow the annex to be planned for.

A short discussion ensued with the City Council and it was determined that the parking lot plan be redesigned and rebid to include an area for the Elite Hall annex.

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.**

Councilmember Rasmussen thanked the City Council for its support on the Elite Hall. The Museum expansion is coming along and hopefully the museum will be hosting a Smithsonian Exhibit soon.

Councilmember James said softball/baseball registrations are being taken on the City's website. Sterling Poulsen has agreed to be the speaker for this year's Patriotic Program.

Councilmember Bingham said the Hyrum City's Princess Pageant was held and she will be taking them to find dresses on Saturday. She is also working on decorating the float.

Councilmember Clawson said he has been working on the Hyrum City Easter Egg Hunt. The Youth Council will be coming early Saturday morning to help fill eggs. The Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday, March 26 at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

Mayor Miller said the City hired Chris Crockett as the new Wastewater Treatment Operator. The City is now interviewing to fill the lineman position. She has asked the Planning Commission to review and consider allowing chickens in residential zones on any lot size. She has been approached a number of times by residents in subdivisions wanting to have a couple of chickens. The City can use the stormwater retention basin in Blacksmith Park for a dog park. The dog park is included in the development plans for Blacksmith Park this next budget year.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**ACTION**                    **There being no further business before the City Council,  
the Council Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Stephanie Miller  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Stephanie Fricke  
City Recorder

Approved: April 21, 2016  
as written