

NORTH OGDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 2, 2018

The North Ogden City Council convened in an open meeting on January 2, 2018 at 6:03 p.m. at the North Ogden City Office at 505 East 2600 North. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah State Website on December 29, 2017. Notice of the annual meeting schedule was published in the Standard-Examiner on December 31, 2017.

PRESENT:	Brent Taylor	Mayor	
	Lynn Satterthwaite	Council Member	excused
	Cheryl Stoker	Council Member	
	Phillip Swanson	Council Member	
	Carl Turner	Council Member	
	James Urry	Council Member	excused
	Sara Fawson	Council Member	
	Blake Cevering	Council Member	

STAFF PRESENT:	Jon Call	City Administrator/Attorney
	Annette Spendlove	City Recorder/HR Director
	Dave Espinoza	Public Works Director
	Evan Nelson	Finance Director
	Lance Call	Chief of Police

VISITORS:	Justin Fawson	Alayna Fawson	Tyler Smith
	Melanie Cevering	Debbie Monson	Don Waite
	Susan Clements	Todd Manger	Merrill Spendlove
	Randall Winn	Dave Hulme	Joshua Fawson
	Annelise Fawson	Leonard Looney	Julie Anderson
	Tiffany Turner		

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order. He recognized State Representative, Justin Fawson, who was in attendance. Council Member Swanson offered the invocation and a Boy Scout representing Troop 496 led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER NOVEMBER 28, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

2. **DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER DECEMBER 5, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Council Member Swanson motioned to approve the November 28, 2017, December 5, 2017 City Council Meeting minutes. Council Member Stoker seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye

The motion passed.

ACTIVE AGENDA

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

2. **SWEARING IN OF NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR**

City Recorder Spendlove administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Sara Fawson, Council Member Blake Cevering, and Mayor Taylor. Families of each individual were given an opportunity to take photographs.

Mayor Taylor recognized Miss North Ogden, Abigail Laing, and thanked her for her attendance. He then welcomed Council Members Fawson and Cevering as members of the North Ogden City Council and invited them to make remarks.

Council Member Fawson stated she is very excited to represent the City and is honored to have received support in her campaign and given the opportunity to participate in many important discussions. She is excited to work with the rest of the Council Members, who are all hard workers and who care about North Ogden.

Council Member Cevering stated he has had the chance over the years to hold many religious positions that caused him fear and trepidation as well as humility, but the day after the election concluded he felt as much fear about beginning this responsibility as he has felt about past positions. He is very humbled and grateful the citizens of North Ogden were willing to take a risk on him. He is grateful for the things he has learned from former City Council Members Satterthwaite and Urry and others that are still members of

the Council. He is dedicated to doing the best he can for the citizens of North Ogden while he holds this office.

Council Members Turner and Swanson welcomed Council Members Fawson and Cevering and Council Member Swanson also recognized a candidate for Council, Julie Anderson, who was in attendance. He thanked her for her willingness to campaign and seek election to a position on the City Council. So many people are willing to serve and he is grateful for that.

Council Member Stoker stated she is also excited to work with Council Members Fawson and Cevering; it will be nice to have another female member of the Council.

Mayor Taylor stated today is a great day and he shared the following quote from President Franklin Delano Roosevelt: "Let us never forget that government is ourselves and not an alien power over us; the ultimate rulers of our democracy are not the President and Senators and Congressmen and government officials, but the voters of this Country." He stated this is something everyone should always remember about all levels of government. Government is not a monarchy, oligarchy, or aristocracy and every two to four years, every office in government throughout the country is up for a free and fair vote by the citizens of this country. He stated he has travelled to other countries throughout the world where residents do not have the ability to make their own choices about their government and it has made him grateful for democracy. He concluded by reading a quote from President Abraham Lincoln: "This Country with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it." He stated it was great to see democracy in action in North Ogden as two members of the community were chosen for leadership positions on the City Council and he is appreciative of the honor that has been bestowed upon him by the residents of the City who elected him as Mayor for a second term. He looks forward to working with the City Council for another four years. He then called for a brief recess of the meeting prior to moving to the work session.

**COUNCIL MEMBER SWANSON MOVED TO RECESS THE MEETING.
COUNCIL MEMBER STOKER SECONDED THE MOTION; ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

WORK SESSION

3. **TRAINING FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS ON ERRORS AND OMISSIONS, HARASSMENT, AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

Darrell Child of Olympus Insurance Agency used the aid of a PowerPoint presentation to provide the Council with training regarding errors and omissions, harassment, and sexual harassment. He emphasized the need for elected officials to serve as the model of integrity, transparency, and civil discourse and he discussed situations that have occurred in other communities where elected officials exhibited poor judgement. Throughout the

presentation, Mr. Child and City Administrator/Attorney Call answered questions from the Mayor and City Council regarding topics such as the types of situations that may present a conflict of interest for an elected official; the provisions of the Open and Public Meetings Act (OPMA) for the State of Utah and, more specifically, the limitations on the topics that can be discussed during a closed meeting; and situations that could create liability for the City. Mr. Child concluded by thanking the City for partnering with Olympus Insurance; he indicated he has met with all Department Heads in the City and is very impressed with the quality of leadership in the City.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Julie Anderson, 940 E. 2600 N., congratulated newly elected Council Members Cevering and Fawson; she then stated she would like to issue a challenge for the Council to consider as the City grows; she asked that the memory of North Ogden be maintained and meshed together with new development and growth. She asked that careful attention be paid to the preservation of green space and that the City ensure that this generation's children and grandchildren will have places to play as the City is built out. She stated she understands that it is necessary to bring more commercial and business activity into the City, but she asked that the City be careful about the type of businesses that are allowed. She recommended that smaller businesses that can provide a benefit be recruited to the community.

Susan Clements, 668 E. 3125 N., stated she has listened to live streams of City meetings and she has had difficulty hearing some of the members of the Council. She asked that they speak closer to their microphones to allow those listening from home to hear what they are saying. She then stated it has been fun to watch the City Council work so well together over the past few years and she is hopeful that will continue as there are new members of the Council. She recited the following quote: "in a world where you can be anything, be kind" and encouraged the Council to talk about each issue thoroughly and take their time to gather enough information to make the right decisions for the City. She is interested to see which member will take former Council Member Urry's role in overseeing the 'purse strings' of the City and which member will have the same interest in technical issues as former Council Member Satterthwaite had.

5. **COUNCIL/MAYOR/STAFF COMMENTS**

Council Member Turner again welcomed Council Members Cevering and Fawson as members of the City Council.

Council Member Cevering reiterated his excitement about being a member of the City Council and indicated he is committed to put in the work it takes to be successful in this position.

Council Member Fawson stated she is also happy to be here and is willing to work hard and learn.

Council Member Swanson also welcomed Council Members Cevering and Fawson; he was happy that all candidates for the two positions were individuals who were outspoken and opinionated without fear to express their opinions. That is what makes the Council work so well – it is made up of five individuals with their own thoughts and backgrounds and they are willing to discuss issues until they are comfortable they are making the right decision. He is confident that Council Member Cevering and Fawson will also be willing to participate in that same process.

Council Member Stoker agreed with many of the comments that have been said and noted that one thing she has appreciated about the individuals she has had the opportunity to serve with is that no matter how much they disagree, they are able to go home at the end of the night as friends and with respect for one another. She stated she is grateful for the leadership and foresight of the Mayor; he has led the City in a good direction and she is glad to be able to work with him.

Mayor Taylor stated that he has enjoyed working with the Council as well; he and Council Member Stoker have been working together for the past six years and it has been wonderful. He then reported the City Hall remodel project is complete and under budget by \$35,000. The layout is working much better and those Departments that regularly deal with the public have been located in one area to reduce staffing requirements. He then recognized the Public Works Department for their response to the snow storm on Christmas morning; the entire crew was out in plow trucks very early in the morning and they did a great job. There were much fewer vehicles parked on roadways and that is likely a result of the efforts of the Police Department to warn violators of the on-street parking ordinance.

6. **DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED MEETING REGARDING THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL §52-4-205(1)(A).**

Council Member Swanson motioned to move into a closed meeting regarding the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual §52-4-205(1)(a). Council Member Stoker seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Cevering	aye
Council Member Fawson	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye

The motion passed.

The meeting recessed at 7:04 p.m. and reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

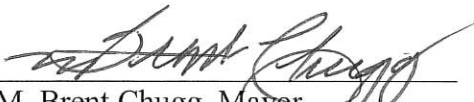
Council Member Stoker motioned to adjourn. Council Member Turner seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

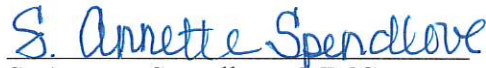
Council Member Cevering	aye
Council Member Fawson	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

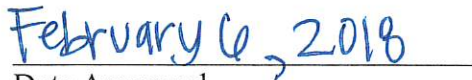
The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



M. Brent Chugg, Mayor



S. Annette Spendlove, MMC
City Recorder



Date Approved