

1 **Minutes of the North Logan City**
2 **City Council**
3 **Held on April 8, 2015**
4 **At the North Logan City Library, North Logan, Utah**

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6 *Damon Cann made a motion to appoint Nancy Potter as Mayor Pro Tem for this meeting. John*
7 *Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Kristen*
8 *Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey and Nancy Potter voting in favor.*
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10 The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Potter at 6:30 p.m.

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12 Council members present were: Kristen Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey
13 and Nancy Potter. (Mayor Lloyd Berentzen was excused).
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15 Others present were: Saia Hola, Alan Luce, Scott Thompson, Lynn Krebs, Carolyn Krebs, Linda
16 & Laurel Hayes, Jon Keller, Travis Aooos? (illegible), Tyler Larsen, Adam Winger, Joshua
17 Campbell, Jordan Houghton, Madison Houghton, Emily Eubanks, Greg Blotter, Darren DeBloois,
18 Bob Oaks, Jordan Oldham, Chief Kim Hawkes, Nolan Krebs, Jeff Jorgensen and Marie Wilhelm.
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20 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Damon Cann.

21 An invocation was given by Kristen Anderson.
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23 **Adoption of Agenda**

24 Nancy Potter said that item #3 needed to be removed from the agenda (regarding the county-
25 wide water conservancy district); and the "development agreement" portion of item #5 (regarding
26 the interlocal agreement) will not be considered because the item is only for consideration of the
27 development plan, and not the agreement at this point.
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29 *Damon Cann made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. John Bailey seconded the*
30 *motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey,*
31 *Roger Anderson, Damon Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor.*
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33 **Approval and Follow-up of Minutes of January 28, 2015 City Council Meetings, Closed and**
34 **Regular**

35 *Both sets of minutes were approved as presented.*
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37 **Review of Action Items**

38 Jeff Jorgensen reviewed the action items list with the council.
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40 **New Business**

41 **6:35 Public Hearing to receive input on proposed changes to the FY2015 municipal budget.**

42 **Following the hearing the council may consider approval of a resolution adopting changes to that**
43 **budget.**

44 *Nancy Potter opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m., and read aloud the instructions for speaking*
45 *at a public hearing.*
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47 Lydia Emery gave her comments and questions on the proposed changes to the current budget
48 draft.
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50 *As there were no further public comments, Nancy Potter closed the public hearing at 6:47 p.m.*
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52 Jeff said that he would have liked Lydia to give her questions to him prior to the meeting, so that
53 he could address them. He explained the revisions to various departmental areas in the budget
54 and some of the formatting changes made to the current draft of the budget. Jeff addressed
55 various questions from the council.
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57 *Damon Cann made a motion to adopt resolution 15-06 adopting changes to the FY2015*
58 *municipal budget. John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed*
59 *unanimously with Kristen Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey and Nancy*
60 *Potter voting in favor.*
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62 Discuss the urban deer herd control program with representative from *Sportsmen for Fish and*
63 *Wildlife organization.*

64 Gregg Blotter discussed the members of the Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife Organization's
65 concern about North Logan City's program to trap the deer in the City. He discussed the potential
66 for doing the trapping during May through September, at a time when the deer don't migrate into
67 the City. He said there are different feelings about the trapping of urban deer versus mountain
68 deer.

69 Wes Hoth (sic?) discussed his long time residency in the area, and said he feels there is a large
70 over-estimation of the actual urban deer population within North Logan City, which he explained
71 further, and said his hobby is to watch them, and knows the deer population well. He said their
72 [organization's] concern is not the trapping and relocation of the resident deer; but rather the
73 relocation of [mountain] deer, some of which he said are from 20 miles away and winter in North
74 Logan City. He said he has watched deer in North Logan his whole life, and further described
75 their migratory habits, and what he says happens to them when they are trapped, and
76 commented further. He further stated that there is "not that big of a deer problem in North Logan
77 City".

78 Chief Kim Hawkes addressed some of the questions and issues related to this. He said they
79 would obviously prefer to trap when they could only impact urban deer, and further explained the
80 difficulty in this, and why the time-frame which they determined, works best. He discussed the
81 challenge of the abundance of food that is out there that attracts the deer, much more than what
82 they can bait the traps with, and explained further. He asked the wildlife group representatives in
83 attendance at the meeting to please let the City know if they have any ideas or suggestions about
84 how to trap deer beginning in August.

85 Nancy Potter said the City has held a lot of meetings on the urban deer herd situation and have
86 been trying for several years to determine how to manage the situation. She said there are a lot
87 of residents in North Logan City whose yards are being totally destroyed, and the deer are eating
88 stuff that they are not supposed to eat or would typically be interested in. She also discussed the
89 health issue of deer feces being all over people's yards where children play. She said there is a
90 very large herd within the City; and also discussed the citizen survey that the City put out to
91 determine where the deer are being spotted, and commented further. She said the City has
92 worked closely for several years with the Division of Wildlife Resources to try to manage the
93 situation. She said this relocation program was the first step the City took in trying to help control
94 the urban deer herd.

95 John Bailey discussed the additional concern of cougars following the deer into town and coming
96 into people's yards and onto their patios, which is a safety issue, particularly with children. John
97 also asked the group about the potential for having a deer harvest, with the donation of the meat
98 going to food pantries.

99 Mr. Hoth agreed that there is a problem and said the sportsmen are willing to do what they can to
100 resolve this, and commented further. He reiterated that the sportsmen are not concerned with the
101 need to reduce the *urban* herd population; but that some of them feel that half of the deer that are
102 being trapped are not urban deer, but rather mountain deer.

103 Nancy said that [difference] would be difficult to determine; and said it seems that more of the
104 deer are staying in the City because the food is always here, so they do not need to go back up
105 into the mountains.

106 The conversation continued.

107 _____ (unable to understand) Peterson, explained that he is a deer enthusiast and said a lot of
108 the deer that are causing problems, are not urban deer, but mountain deer. He said it is difficult
109 to find a deer in the summer; but that right now they are everywhere. He said North Logan City
110 does not have a problem with "urban deer", which he defined as deer that live in the City year-
111 round. He said North Logan City has a problem with migratory deer, which "come down". He
112 said he supports trapping, as well as the City trying to find a solution to this problem. He said he
113 does not support North Logan City trapping migratory deer during the winter months. He said the
114 deer that are coming from 10-20 miles away are "public property", and thousands of people pay
115 fees to hunt those deer. He said there are thousands of dollars spent on hunting deer, and said
116 one person paid \$390,000 to hunt one deer, and said there is a lot of value in these animals. He
117 said people moved here and are living in their winter range and that the deer were here first, and
118 commented further. He said the people who have been proactive in protecting their properties
119 from deer with fencing, etc., are not having a problem with the deer. He reiterated that they
120 support trapping, but not trapping of the wrong deer.

121 Nancy Potter said she has deer in her yard nearly every day, all year-round.

122 The conversation continued.

123 Darren DeBloois from Division of Wildlife Resources said they are committed to helping cities
124 address these problems, throughout the state, and commented further. He said they are
125 committed to working with both the cities, as well as the sportsmen's group to find solutions; and
126 also agreed with Chief Hawkes that it is more difficult to catch deer during the summer, and
127 commented further.

128 Trevor Mortensen, a deer enthusiast, commented that trapping migratory deer in the winter may
129 remove deer for the year; but that for the following years, they are going to keep coming back,
130 and explained further. He said Logan City put deer fencing all along "the face" of the foothills,
131 and finally maintained it; and that because of that, many of those migratory deer stayed on the
132 mountain, and commented further.

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134 Review the revised interlocal agreement among North Logan City, Hyde Park City, Cache County
135 and the Cache County School District regarding the Land and Water Conservation Act property
136 owned by Cache County within North Logan City and consider approval of the agreement with the
137 proposed changes. Also consider approval of development plan for the subdivision and the
138 development agreement for the subdivision.

139 Jeff explained the item and said the Planning Commission approved this and moved it forward to
140 the City Council; and said not much has changed from the previous version. He said they are still
141 waiting for the Development Agreement part of this. Jeff addressed various questions from the
142 council.

143 Nancy Potter commented that as she read through this, in relation to the wetlands for this area,
144 she spoke to Rob Bishop and Mike Lee about needing wetlands in an area that is not a wetland,
145 and explained further. She said the City should put something together and get that to them.

146 Jeff Jorgensen said this law is ineffective, particularly due to the fact that we have so many
147 wetlands in Cache Valley. He said they end up costing taxpayers a great deal, and explained
148 further.

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150 *Damon Cann made a motion to approve the development plan and preliminary plat. Roger*
151 *Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with*
152 *Kristen Anderson, Roger Anderson, Damon Cann, John Bailey and Nancy Potter voting in favor.*

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154 Budget presentations by the Storm Water Department, Facilities Department, and the Library
155 Storm Water Department

156 Alan Luce presented the budget for his department.

157 Kristen Anderson discussed the piping of the middle canal which Alan said was approved; and
158 asked about the canal companies stating that the various cities will have to incur the maintenance
159 fees in the future, and asked how that will impact the City, which Alan addressed.

160 Damon Cann asked about the replacement of the curb in the upper loop of Johnson Park, which
161 Alan addressed.

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163 Facilities

164 Jordan Oldham presented the budget for his department. He addressed questions from the
165 council. He also discussed potential upcoming projects, including installing cost-efficient lighting,
166 and updating some of the park facilities.

167 Nancy commented that she likes the Parlant system.

168 John Bailey said he appreciates the inclusion of the revenues and expenditures. He asked if it
169 would be easier if the focus was just on the current budget at hand, and explained further, which
170 Jeff addressed.

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172 Jeff said the Library budget will be presented at the next City Council meeting.

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174 Reports from city officers, boards, and committees

175 Jordan mentioned that Arbor Day is this coming Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at the Library.

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177 Chief Hawkes discussed some the issues related to the deer relocation program, and the timing
178 of cities submitting their deer herd management plans with Division of Wildlife Resources, and

179 explained further. He further discussed this with the council.

180 Jeff said that in relation to the deer program; the accusations that were made in the Herald
181 Journal that North Logan City killed a large buck was a total fabrication of information; and
182 commented on whether that should go unnoticed, as it was not ever rescinded. He commented
183 further. He discussed whether the City should make the Herald Journal accountable for what
184 they state, and asked the council whether we should do something for the record. The council
185 discussed this further.

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187 Damon Cann asked about a large, installed propane tank he observed at the Cache Bridger RV
188 Park, and said he thought that was not allowed. Chief Jon Keller said his department would go
189 and check it out.

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191 John Bailey said he would not be in attendance at the next City Council meeting. He also said he
192 would like to revisit how we see the development of the City Center, and commented further,
193 which Jeff addressed, and agreed that we need to start thinking about that for the next budget
194 year, and commented further.

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196 Nancy thanked the Parks Department, the Youth Council and the Eagle Scout who all worked on
197 the Easter Egg Hunt, which she said was a great event.

198 Nancy asked about the irrigation line [being installed in the Theurer subdivision], and whether we
199 are in touch with Bob Balling on the development of this, which Alan addressed.

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201 Kristen Anderson asked about the concept plan for the commercial subdivision on Main Street
202 listed on the Planning Commission's agenda for the following evening, and asked whether that is
203 part of our City Center. Jeff said it is not, nor is it part of the gateway URA. Kristen said she
204 wonders if we want to encourage development there; and said she feels that something that has
205 made businesses more attracted to that area is that the businesses are closer to the road; and
206 that that works to bring people off of the road and into the businesses. She said we should make
207 a note that we should do that, and make sure that this forthcoming subdivision is in line with what
208 we want in the City Center. Jeff said this subdivision is simply defining parcels, and does not
209 include the development of any parcels, and explained further.

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211 Nancy Potter mentioned that the corner of 800 East and 2100 North is being damaged by the
212 rock trucks that pass by there frequently right now, and is causing that corner to crumble.

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214 Executive session (closed) to discuss real estate and litigation issues.

215 *Damon Cann made a motion to close the meeting and move into Executive Session for the*
216 *purpose of discussing real estate and pending litigation issues. Roger Anderson seconded the*
217 *motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey,*
218 *Roger Anderson, Damon Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor. This occurred at 8:26 p.m.*

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220 Minutes for this portion of the meeting are written under separate cover.

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222 *Kristen Anderson made a motion to open the meeting and move out of Executive Session and*
223 *return to the regular City Council meeting. Damon Cann seconded the motion. A vote was called*
224 *and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey, Roger Anderson, Damon*
225 *Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor.*

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227 *Damon Cann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote*
228 *was called and the motion passed unanimously with Nancy Potter, John Bailey, Roger Anderson,*
229 *Damon Cann and Kristen Anderson voting in favor. This occurred at 8:42 p.m.*

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231 The meeting adjourned at: 8:42 p.m.

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233 Approved by City Council: July 22, 2015

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235 Transcribed by Marie Wilhelm

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237 Recorded by

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Scott Bennett/City Recorder