

SOUTH WEBER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: 16 December 2014

TIME COMMENCED: 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: MAYOR: Tammy Long

COUNCILMEMBERS: Scott Casas
Randy Hilton
Michael Poff
Marlene Poore
David Thomas

CITY RECORDER: Tom Smith

CITY MANAGER: Duncan Murray

Transcriber: Minutes transcribed by Michelle Clark

VISITORS: Jeff Monroe, Tyler Thomas, and Ritchie Thomas.

Mayor Long called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Mayor Long called for a motion to go into a closed meeting. Council Member Thomas stated he was unable to attend the City Council meeting on 9 December 2014 and he would like the Mayor to explain why, within 24 hours before the meeting, two new resolutions (Resolution 14-29: Appointment to Administrative Control Board of Wasatch Integrated Waste Management District: Resolution 14-30: Appointment to Central Weber Sewer Improvement District Board of Trustees) were put on the agenda. Resolution 14-29 would remove Council Member Hilton from the Wasatch Integrated Waste Management Board and put the Mayor in his place. Resolution 14-30 would remove Council Member Poff from the Central Weber Sewer Improvement District Board and put the Mayor in his place. Council Member Thomas said he specifically asked the Mayor not to place those items on the agenda because he was unable to attend the meeting and give his input, and it was the first he had heard about changing the membership on these two boards. Council Member Thomas felt it was very poor form. He reminded everyone of the meeting that was held six months ago in which there was a discussion about working together as a team. Council Member Thomas said he hears in the community that Mayor Long is continuing these “witch hunts”. It causes Council Member Thomas great concern because this is happening and through mileage the City is paying for that to happen. He is concerned about the moral of the city staff who, once again, find themselves in a hostile work environment. Council Member Thomas is concerned that the City Council is moving back to six or seven months ago.

Mayor Long stated this meeting tonight was only for the closed session. Council Member Thomas said the mileage reimbursement to Mayor Long shows that she visited the County Attorney’s office five times. Mayor Long asked how Council Member Thomas knows that. Council Member Thomas said he assumes through a GRAMA request. Council Member Thomas said the Mayor was told six months ago to go through the City Attorney and that is not

being adhered to. Mayor Long asked if there was a GRAMA request. Tom Smith, City Recorder, said there was a GRAMA request. Council Member Thomas said all of the sudden there are members of the community coming to him and asking him questions, and he is caught unaware of what is going on. Council Member Thomas said we have tried to come so far and now he is finding out that the Mayor is going behind the back of the City Council. Council Member Thomas said he is very frustrated. Council Member Thomas said now he is talking to city employees and there are hostile city employees. He said he is dumbfounded. Mayor Long said she is unaware of anyone asking for a GRAMA request and someone must have told someone. Council Member Thomas said they are public records. Council Member Thomas asked the Mayor why she hasn't been going through Steve Noel, City Attorney. Council Member Thomas thought that was the understanding last May. Mayor Long said she would like to have a discussion when she has more details. Mayor Long would like to know how someone in the community knew how to ask for a GRAMA request. Council Member Hilton said he asked the Mayor at the meeting on 9 December 2014 about the check for \$500 to her for mileage reimbursement. Council Member Hilton said he did ask the Mayor, at that time, where she was going. Council Member Hilton feels the Mayor's monthly stipend of \$800 should cover her travel. He is shocked that Paul Laprevote, City Treasurer, or Duncan Murray, City Manager, wouldn't know the travel reimbursement policy. Council Member Hilton said he thinks the time before that the Mayor was reimbursed \$400. Council Member Poore stated she doesn't feel this is the time to discuss this. Council Member Thomas requested this item be placed on an agenda and have Steve Noel present. Council Member Thomas said the Mayor should know he has made inquiries to the County Attorney.

Council Member Poore moved to enter into a closed session meeting as per UTAH STATE CODE §52-4-204 & 52-4-205: for the purpose of discussion of character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individual(s). Council Member Casas seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hilton, Poff, Poore, and Thomas voted yes. The motion carried.

Council Member Thomas moved to close the executive session at 8:00 p.m. Council Member Hilton seconded the motion. Council Member Casas, Hilton, Poff, Poore, and Thomas voted yes. The motion carried.

ADJOURNED: Council Member Thomas moved to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:00 p.m. Council Member Poore seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hilton, Poff, Poore, and Thomas voted yes. The motion carried.

APPROVED: _____ **Date**
Mayor: Tammy Long

Transcriber: Michelle Clark

Attest: _____
City Recorder: Tom Smith