

SOUTH WEBER CITY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: 4 January 2021 **TIME COMMENCED:** 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: South Weber City Office at 1600 East South Weber Drive, South Weber, UT

PRESENT: MAYOR: Rod Westbrook

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Hayley Alberts
 Joel Dills
 Blair Halverson
 Angie Petty
 Quin Soderquist

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: Trevor Cahoon

CITY RECORDER: Lisa Smith

CITY MANAGER: David Larson

PR ASSISTANT: Shaelee King

Transcriber: Minutes transcribed by Michelle Clark

ATTENDEES: Paul Sturm, Bart Spencer, Bryan & Karen Hurst, Lincoln Petty, Sally Petty, Reba Petty, Lori Chapman, Gary Chapman, Bill Petty, Aaron Westbrook, Gabe Westbrook, Gavin Westbrook, Logan & Ashley Chapman, Tiffany Galbraith, Darin Sjoblom, Jo Sjoblom, Lisa Winsor, Wayne Winsor, Sydney Sjoblom, Scott Phillips, Lindsey McRoberts, Sander Spencer, Erin Spencer, Jason McRoberts, Brady & Whitney Jaques, Gary Card, Joan Card, and Michael Grant.

1. Welcome: Mayor Westbrook welcomed those in attendance.

2. Recognition of Service: Mayor Sjoblom and Councilman Winsor

Mayor Jo Sjoblom served South Weber City as an elected official for 6 years (2 years as a Council member and 4 years as Mayor). She represented the city on the Davis County Council of Government, Central Weber Sewer Improvement District Board, Wasatch Integrated Administrative Board Member, Community Development Block Grant Committee, Utah League of Cities and Towns Policy Committee, and Chair of Wasatch Front Regional Council Transportation Committee. Mayor Sjoblom has contributed many long-lasting improvements to South Weber City including countless hours attending various committee meetings, staff meetings, public meetings, and events. She has worked hard as the chair of the City Council to administer ordinances and elevate the city's position and influence regionally. The city thanked

her for her service and recognized her husband, Darin Sjoblom, and family for their support during her dedication to public service.

Mayor Sjoblom expressed her gratitude for the opportunity to give some closing remarks as she left office. First, she thanked Wayne Winsor. She described her first year on the City Council was an incredibly difficult one. When Wayne put his name in to fill a vacancy the next year, it was a breath of fresh air for her. He brought with him a wealth of knowledge and experience the city lacked at the time and has been a great asset to the Council the past five years. She acknowledged he will be missed.

She then shared an experience she had five years ago when she was still a green Council Member. She was driving home from Salt Lake City one morning in stalled traffic on Highway 89 when she received a phone call from Tom Smith, former South Weber City Manager. He informed her that there was a wildfire on the hillside in Uintah that was moving swiftly and threatening to cross over Highway 84 and Highway 89 into our city. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) had been activated and she was to report to the second floor of the South Weber City Fire Station as quickly as possible. Soon after the call she crested the hill that looked down on South Weber City and was astonished and frightened by the magnitude of the threat facing the town. At the EOC she made some phone calls to secure shelter locations in anticipation of a resident evacuation. Not knowing what to do next she walked out the east side of the building. Sirens were blaring. To her left was a great wall of black, billowing smoke that looked to be only a block away. To her right was a school of 800 children and a faculty frantically trying to determine whether to evacuate the children or to shelter in place. By that time, Highway 89 and Highway 84 were closed to traffic. Soon after residents on the north side of South Weber Drive were evacuated along with the school children and though a few sheds and barns were lost, not a single home in South Weber City sustained any significant damage.

Mayor Sjoblom realized if a similar threat had occurred and the entire city had to be evacuated, the city was not well equipped with good escape routes. Consequently, she determined to research how to be better prepared for the next emergency. She knew the city's General Plan already outlined a connection to Layton City, but she was concerned at the amount of traffic that would be directed up 1900 East and the impact it would have on existing residents. When Horrock Engineering came up with an alternative route that would pass through areas not yet developed, it seemed like a great solution. The city could build the road so that homes did not front it, and it would be far less invasive to residents. She acknowledged she made mistakes over the past few years, as anyone with little experience in local politics would have, but she did not consider her efforts to ensure the safety of South Weber residents one of those mistakes. She expressed she never had selfish motives for her actions; as the Mayor, her desire was to protect and give back to the beloved community that has raised her children for the past 27 years.

Mayor Sjoblom thanked the incredible city staff headed up by David Larson, Mark McRae, Mark Larsen, Trevor Cahoon, Chief Tolman, and Curtis Brown, who are enhanced by a dedicated and talented supporting staff. She thanked the many City Council Members and Planning Commission members she worked with over the years, particularly, the five Council Members who were sitting in the meeting. She voiced they are an incredible team of hard-working and knowledgeable individuals, and she was so grateful to have had the opportunity to work with each one of them. She felt very comfortable stepping down because she knows the city is in good hands and Mayor Westbrook and Councilman Dills will be a great addition to the team.

Finally, she thanked the good residents of the community who have served and supported her in this assignment. They made it worthwhile, and she loved working alongside them to make the city even better. She will continue to serve this community with every opportunity she is afforded.

Mayor Westbroek expressed Councilman Wayne Winsor served South Weber City for 7 years (3 years as Planning Commission member and 4 years as a Council Member). He served on the City Administrative/Finance Committee, Municipal Utilities Committee, Public Safety Committee, Utah Leagues of Cities and Towns Legislative Policy Committee, and Davis County Mosquito Abatement Board. He was instrumental in improving the city's financial planning, administrative policies and procedures, and high-speed internet options. Mayor Westbroek recognized Councilman Winsor's family, especially his wife Lisa, for the support she had given during his years of service. He thanked Councilman Winsor for all he did for South Weber City.

Wayne expressed his gratitude for those who think his service was a benefit to the city. He loved serving with the City Council which is what he will miss the most.

3. Oath of Office: 2022-2026 Elected Officials Rod Westbroek, Joel Dills, and Angie Petty were sworn into office by Recorder Lisa Smith.

Councilman Halverson expressed Mayor Sjoblom and Councilman Winsor will be missed. He felt the city was in a better place now than when they took the oath of office. He expressed they had both gone through some tough times and appreciated what they did to help him learn and grow.

Councilwoman Alberts thanked Mayor Sjoblom and Councilman Winsor for their service. She has the highest respect for each of them. She thanked them for their expertise, knowledge, and dedication.

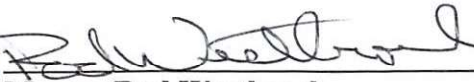
Councilman Soderquist welcomed Mayor Westbroek and Councilman Dills. He thanked Jo Sjoblom and Wayne Winsor for giving the city a financial future that is stable. He appreciated all the thousands of dollars in grants obtained through their efforts. He thanked them for their tutoring and friendship.

Councilwoman Petty thanked Jo Sjoblom and Wayne Winsor and pointed out she will miss them as she has served with them for four years. She thanked them for their knowledge, caring, spirit, perspective, and dedication.


Councilman Dills expressed his appreciation for Mayor Sjoblom and Councilman Winsor for their sacrifice and care on behalf of the city. He respects and loves Jo Sjoblom and how much she loves the city.

Mayor Westbroek thanked everyone for their attendance.

ADJOURN: Councilman Dills moved to adjourn the Council Meeting at 6:24 p.m. Councilman Soderquist seconded the motion. Mayor Sjoblom called for the vote. Council Members Alberts, Halverson, Petty, Soderquist, and Dills voted aye. The motion carried.

APPROVED:  Date 02-08-2022
Mayor: Rod Westbroek


Michelle Clark (Feb 9, 2022 08:27 MST)
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City Recorder: Lisa Smith






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