

**FRUITA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 2, 2009
7:00 PM**

THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Henry called the regular meeting of the Fruita City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. Council members present were Bruce Bonar, Mel Mulder, Lori Buck, Stacey Mascarenas, and Terry Moss. Councilor Nick Kohls was absent.

2. AGENDA - ADOPT/AMEND

- **COUNCILOR BUCK MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. COUNCILOR MULDER SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WERE 5 YES VOTES.**

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Hearing no comments from any audience members, Mayor Henry closed the public participation section of the agenda.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. INTRODUCTION AND SWEARING-IN OF OFFICER JESSICA SCHOONVELD

Fruita Police Chief Mark Angelo introduced Officer Jessica Schoonveld to the Council and Mayor Henry. Jessica is 25 years of age and is one of the youngest and newest officers on the force. She was born in Steamboat Springs, Colorado and graduated from Delta High School in 2003. Ms. Schoonveld completed the Delta/Montrose Vocational Technical Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Academy in December of 2008. Chief Angelo said that he has no doubt that Ms. Schoonveld is going to be a very successful officer. She also rides horses and has taken an interest in mounted shooting.

Ms. Schoonveld was sworn-in to the office of Police Officer by Deputy City Clerk Debra Woods.

Chief Angelo then introduced Boy Scout Troop 323 and one of their leaders who is a Captain with the Colorado State Patrol; Captain Ed Clark. Chief Angelo stated that the Boy Scouts were present at the meeting to work on their "Citizenship in the Community" merit badges.

Mayor Henry thanked the Boy Scout leaders for the many hours and effort that they have put in and he congratulated each of the Boy Scout members for entering a very important phase, saying that the Boy Scouts will teach them a lot of things about life in general.

Also present at the Council meeting were: Police Commissioner Bob Jones and his wife, Officer James Queen, Lieutenant Judy Macy, Sargeant Kevin Paquette, Officer Jared Wright, Officer Gary Younger, Officer Lisa Dicamillo and Canine Officer Cheryl Yaws.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2009 CITY COUNCIL MEETING - A REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

B. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENT – POLICE COMMISSION – A REQUEST TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBER EARL HEADRICK AS A REGULAR MEMBER TO THE POLICE COMMISSION DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF MERI MIYASAKI WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE IN JUNE OF 2012

C. LATIGO SUBDIVISION – A REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO DECEMBER 2, 2009 TO SUBMIT THE FINAL PLAT

D. HUGHES RANCH MINOR SUBDIVISION – A REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO DECEMBER 2, 2009 TO RECORD THE FINAL PLAT

E. GOSS ADMINISTRATIVE SUBDIVISION – A REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO DECEMBER 2, 2009 TO RECORD THE FINAL PLAT

Mayor Henry opened the Consent Agenda for public discussion. Hearing no comments from the audience, he closed the Consent Agenda and deferred to the City Council.

- **COUNCILOR MULDER MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRINTED. COUNCILOR BUCK SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WERE 5 YES VOTES.**

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearing items on the Agenda.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

There were no Administrative items on the Agenda.

8. COUNCIL REPORTS AND ACTIONS

COUNCILOR MOSS said that it was a great opportunity to see the reservoir project and it was amazing. He said he is looking forward to the outcome and the partnership with the Colorado Army National Guard.

COUNCILOR MASCARENAS stated that she attended the Colorado Meth Project Kickoff and it was interesting; the Assistant Attorney General was there and there will be some pretty startling commercials fairly soon. She said that the Grand Valley Regional Transportation Commission (GVRTC) had their workshop and the opening of the new Transfer Station was well-attended. She was also a Fruita representative at the Mesa State Graduation, involved in a Drug Endangered Children meeting, and JUCO. She agreed with Councilor Moss that the helicopter trip to the reservoir was amazing and fun.

COUNCILOR BUCK stated that the Arts and Culture Board is holding an Art Show on June 6th in the form of a sidewalk demonstration in downtown Fruita; there are about 15 people that have committed to be there. She said that the Senior Advisory Task Force will meet the following week and the Board will be trying to decide how to spend the funds they have collected for the Community Recreation Center. Councilor Mascarenas asked how much money the Board has raised. Councilor Buck answered that they have approximately \$86,000 to \$87,000 and the money will be used for some type of furnishings for the Senior Center in the Recreation Center.

COUNCILOR MULDER said that the 5-2-1 Adobe Creek Basin study has been finalized and the Board was a little surprised at the flooding potential of the area. He said that there will be issues regarding that as the development continues. Big Salt Wash is in the same situation. The Drainage District is dealing with ditches that are in developers' lines of sight at the present time. Councilor Mulder said there are a variety of ways to deal with that; leave the ditch as it is, cover the ditch, put a pipe in it, and put an easement on top, or transfer the property to reroute the ditch. He echoed Councilor Moss' statement on the helicopter ride; he said it was wonderful once the weather cooperated.

COUNCILOR BONAR stated that he is incredibly impressed with the cooperation of the city and the National Guard on the dam project and he thinks it is a phenomenal partnership. He is certain everyone will be very happy with the outcome. He thanked Mayor Henry for putting the whole project together.

COUNCILOR MULDER said that he made a request that the National Guard shoot all mosquitoes on sight, but since they will not be taking any firearms up on the mountain, everyone will have to deal with them on their own.

COUNCILOR MOSS noted that the walk-through was done the previous day on the new Family Health West Hospital, and they just got their temporary Certificate of Occupancy (CO). He said they have 45 days to wait for the state inspection; it could happen at any time in that period. Councilor Moss recommended that the other Council members take a tour because it is an amazing facility. There will be an official Grand Opening on the July 15, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. and an Open House for the public on July 17, 2009.

MAYOR HENRY said that he felt Fruita was well-represented in front of the television cameras when the city officials met with the National Guard to visit the dam project site. He said he hopes that the National Guard will receive some good benefits from that as well. Mayor Henry said he was most impressed with the General leadership; General Edwards and his Second-In-Command Neils were delightful people to talk with and displayed a high level of quality

leadership. Mayor Henry mentioned that the Colorado Municipal League (CML) participated with cities and townships to sponsor a "If I Were Mayor..." essay contest. This year from Fruita Middle School, student Hudson Robison submitted a well-written and well-thought out essay and Mayor Henry stated that a letter would be sent to Hudson and his teacher, Julie Scharf, thanking them for participating in the contest. Councilor Mascarenas noted that Hudson is Judge Valerie Robison's son.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Woods
Deputy City Clerk