

KAYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 22, 2015

Minutes of a special meeting of the Kaysville City Council held September 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Kaysville City Municipal Center.

Council Members present: Mayor Steve Hiatt, Mark Johnson, Ron Stephens, Brett Garlick and Susan Lee.

Others present: City Manager John Thacker, Recorder Linda Ross, Information Systems Manager Ryan Judd, City Attorney Felshaw King, Police Chief Sol Oberg, Parks Superintendent Vance Garfield, Louise Shaw-Clipper, Bobby Johnston, Lynn Galbraith, Katie Witt, Russell Lindberg, Sam Bracken, Stroh DeCaire, Mack McDonald, Thomas Wood, Chris Snell, Padma Veeru-Collings, Darrell McKinnon, Dave Adams, Kim Bracken, Jenni Lindberg, Shirley Larsen, Camille Galbraith, Orwin Draney, Dave Davies, Margaret Brough, Cheryl Tarbet, Ronda Page, Larry Page, Ramona Porter, Jeanie Morley, Art Morley, Randy Frampton, Jill Frampton, Lorene Kamalu, Andrea Richards, Nylin Johnson, Jacie Johnson, Sharon McKinlay, June Hayes, Penny Mead, David Klomp, JoAnn Klomp, Marilyn Blair, Dan Memmott, Brigg Lewis, Richard Scadden, Shauna Snell, Ruth Snell, Brent Burningham, Renee McDonald, Sandra DeCaire and Doug Larsen.

Mayor Hiatt explained that 12 citizens applied to fill the unexpired term of Council Member Jared Taylor and that one applicant, Gil Miller, has withdrawn. As applicants entered the building this evening, they drew numbers to determine speaking order. He then asked each candidate to introduce themselves.

Bobby Johnston stated that he believes the word on everyone's mind tonight has to be experience and qualification. The person selected does not have a lot of time for on the job training. He believes that is a disadvantage to some and an advantage to others. He is a candidate that can easily make that transition. His background is in business and finance and many of the departments that the municipality governs on a day-to-day basis, such as contracts, utilities, piping, electrical, budget, and looking at proposals, he has been professionally trained in and has a passion for. He is honest and has integrity. He is hopeful that his experiences demonstrate that he could jump right in.

Lynn Galbraith stated that he loves Kaysville and considers Kaysville to be his hometown. His ancestors helped settle Kaysville in the 1850s and this has been home to five generations of Galbraith's. He has lived his entire life here except when he served in the military and during a short time working in the Murray School District. He is married, has five children, and 15 grandchildren. When he retired from the military, he promised himself that he would serve his community. He wanted to give back to the City what it gave him. He served the City in different capacities for 11 years. He served three years on the Civic Committee, four years on the Planning Commission, and then he was elected to the City Council and served from 2006-2010. He believes that the City is divided and that there is too much controversy and division. He would like to turn

things around. He believes citizens need to have faith in their government. The biggest problem he has observed is that citizens feel left out in the decision-making process, which affects their lives and their pocketbook. The most common complaint he hears is that the City Council does not listen to them. He believes involving citizens is the key to returning trust. If appointed, he would honestly and fairly represent the citizens of Kaysville, be a listening ear, and work with both citizens and Council in moving the City forward and keeping it a family-centered community.

Katie Witt stated that one of the first things she did as a Longmont, Colorado City Council Member was to deal with a situation at Left Hand Creek. It needed to be widened and cleared to accommodate a 100-year flood and the neighborhood was not happy. Removing trees would expose more than 20 formerly secluded backyards. Before even a shovel full of dirt was turned, she led community meetings, fielded phone calls, and made home visits to citizens to discuss the plan. Asking for their ideas was not a public relations campaign. The City needed their feedback and buy-in. Through the process, over 150 homes were removed from the floodplain and they planted more trees than they removed. When she and her family moved here, they fell in love with Kaysville. It felt like home. They came here by choice and not luck. One skill she would bring to this position is her commitment to citizen engagement. Serving the community is part of who she is. This is her full-time job. She has seen how it brings a community together. The project in Longmont was completed in July 2013. In September of 2013, a 500-year flood hit Longmont. It was a much larger flood than what was planned for, but the homes in that neighborhood suffered minimal damage. Two days later as she walked along the river, she found taped to the new bridges, thank you notes to the city. That is the relationship she wants to foster.

Russell Lindberg stated that he has served on the Planning Commission for six years. For the most part, he has enjoyed that. He has learned how the City operates and understands issues that will come before the City Council. He has also volunteered his time with the New Year's Eve celebration. He helps organize food that is served to 2,000 people. He has lived in Kaysville for 16 years. His wife and two oldest children are Davis High School graduates and he has four other children coming up. He doesn't have an agenda nor a hope for gain and he is not beholden to any particular business interest. He is a family man. He wants to see Kaysville continue to be the best place to raise a family. He also wants to continue to serve and be more involved. His focus would be on maintaining core values of Kaysville and promoting them to those that wish to live here or build a business here. He wants to protect things that make people want to live here. The people who chose to live here are its richest and greatest asset. He believes Kaysville needs to continue to protect what it is doing and better capitalize on its enviable position as a place where people want to live.

Sam Bracken stated that he and his wife and four children have lived in Kaysville for 10 years. They moved here from Georgia and they love it here. He received his under graduate degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology where he graduated with honors. He received his MBA from BYU's Marriott School of Management, where his emphasis was in marketing. He has been an executive in corporate America. Over the last 10 years he has worked for Franklin Covey in a variety of capacities, consultant, Global Director of Marketing, and Global Director of Media Publishing. He believes he is uniquely qualified to help the Council in a variety of areas. He has

been serving the community as a football coach on Saturdays. He is a youth advocate, an award winning author, and motivational speaker in behalf of young people. He believes the major obstacle facing the community is lack of trust citizens have with city government. He is qualified to restore and build that trust. That will be his one and only goal and he will accomplish that through process of framework and language.

Stroh DeCaire stated that he is originally from Michigan and grew up in a home where volunteering and community service was paramount. After high school graduation and completing college, he joined the Air Force and traveled to over 50 countries learning the importance of good local government, diversity and culture. Currently, he is employed as an engineer with Utah Education Network who provide high speed internet service and telephone service to all school districts in Utah. He currently sits on the Planning Commission. This has given him an intimate knowledge of the City and he works with City staff and elected officials. When he first moved here he spoke with Mayor Roundy about making a difference and a positive change in Kaysville. She appointed him Chairman of the July 4th parade, a position he has held for 8 years. He lives in the King Clarion Subdivision which he believes is a part of Kaysville that has been underrepresented for many years. He believes that area needs a voice. Not being a native Utahn or of the majority political group or religious group, he believes that makes him uniquely qualified to provide a voice that may otherwise go unheard.

Mack McDonald stated that he has lived in Kaysville just one year but he has 12 years' experience in government. He worked for Salt Lake City and was directed and instructed by the RDA Board. He did economic development and RDA for almost six years, applying similar goals that are found here. He worked with a \$68 million tax increment budget. He was given the opportunity to go to Iraq and Afghanistan and teach leaders how to do what is done here, such as setting up a Mayor and City Council to represent the city. He knows there is a lot of distrust in government but he believes government here is working fine and is the best in the world. He would like to promote that. He believes that things are not falling apart in Kaysville. He represents hope that residents can have in the City. He comes from a background in government so he can apply that experience. He previously served on the Farmington City Planning Commission for two years and with that, plus the RDA experience, he will be able to apply those planning opportunities. He has a wife and 10 children.

Thomas Wood stated that he has lived in Kaysville 16 years with his wife and four boys. He has had a lot of experience serving. He served on the Board of Directors of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and on the Board of Directors for the Utah Apartment Association, where he also served as past President. He has worked in the multi-family apartment business and has had responsibility for national firms and small local companies. He has been over 7,000 apartments at one time, which is like running a small town. He has worked with multi-million dollar budgets. He owns his own company and conducts good landlord training courses for cities throughout Utah. He also does training courses for tenants, the Catholic Community Services and the Utah Housing Coalition. He is also a short notice substitute teacher for the Davis County School District. Education is paramount to him. He believes service is the key. In the City plan, each department has a mission statement. He likes the Police Department mission statement, "To protect and

serve.” Hopefully, that is the mission of the City Council as well. He hopes to be part of that and protect and serve Kaysville City.

Chris Snell stated that he applied for this vacancy for two reasons. The first reason is the plug in play effect and the second is temperament. Plug in play means he served on the City Council for eight years. He helped prepare and execute eight City budgets. He has working relationships with department heads and other core City staff and has maintained those contacts. He could step into Jared Taylor’s position and hit the ground running. What he means by temperament is communication with citizens. Often dialog with citizens can be antagonistic but sometimes positive. When he previously served on the City Council, he answered every email, returned every phone call, and talked to people that did not agree with him. He can hit the ground running and he demonstrates the ability to communicate with anyone in the City.

Darrell McKinnon stated that his family has lived in Kaysville for 28 years. He has four children and six grandchildren. He loves Kaysville. He loves the atmosphere here. He believes there is something unique here. Families who move away want to come back. While living here, he has tried to be supportive of the City. They attend parades and programs and even sometimes he comes to City Council meetings. He has appreciated reaching out to the City Council. He has always received an answer back. He knows the department heads because he tries to reach out and offer support and thank them for what they have done. He has two sons who work for Kaysville City. He knows what great leadership and citizens Kaysville has. His strong point is that he is a people person. He loves to serve people and reach out to people. He learned to do that through personal and work experience.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that the purpose of life is to live a life with purpose. She has chosen to make service the purpose of her life. For the last 20 years she has served her community in whichever capacity she could. She has served at the Disability Law Center and worked with the Salt Lake County Board of Equalization. For the last 17 years she has worked for Salt Lake City and has had the privilege for the last 4 ½ years to serve as Chief Salt Lake City Prosecutor. She is familiar with workloads, working with constituents, working with City Councils and the Mayor, and working with administration. The reason she chose to do this is because she has had the privilege of having a great education that she does not want to waste. She has a Master’s Degree in Public Administration, a Juris Doctor, a degree in Organizational Development, and a degree in Communications. She also minored in Political Science. She has no children but she lives in Kaysville and loves Kaysville. She has a passion of serving her community and would like to make this great community even better.

Mayor Hiatt asked the Council Members if they had questions they would like to ask the applicants.

Council Member Lee wanted to know how each applicant feels about taxes and if they want to raise or lower them.

Bobby Johnston stated that he pays them. They are necessary. A large portion of the City budget comes from taxes. This municipality has to provide services. People enjoy services. There are times taxes need to be raised and lowered and that requires an evaluation of needs versus wants. He believes that taxes should be as little as possible. He also believes in being as efficient as possible.

Lynn Galbraith stated that before the Council talks about raising taxes they should lower expenses. He believes that there is no government entity that cannot cut expenses. The best way to raise funds is to cut back on wants and concentrate on needs.

Katie Witt stated that the City needs to concentrate on making sure core services are up to snuff. Making sure the City has strong infrastructure is important to her. If it came to light that the City needed to raise taxes to shore up things, she would support that. Wants and needs is a good way to look at it but the City Council needs to work on it together and bring citizens along with them.

Russell Lindberg stated that once a tax is implemented it is never taken away. He believes the Council needs to be careful and look at ways to be lean. He believes that Kaysville runs lean.

Sam Bracken stated that he doesn't support a tax increase at all. His property tax over the last six years has gone up. He believes government can be more efficient and serve the community better on the same or less.

Stroh DeCaire stated that Kaysville City is a full service city and that doesn't come free. Raising taxes is a necessary evil. People don't like paying them, but that is the way it is. He believes that building the business tax base and relieving the tax burden from residential is paramount. He hopes business takes some burden off citizens.

Mack McDonald stated that it is difficult when people are trying to be efficient in their personal lives. Taxes are necessary because they keep government sustainable. If there are no taxes then there are high fees and if you have that, people don't come and bring business. When a tax increase is needed, having a plan and educating people is critical. He believes the City has to plan ahead and have foresight and understand where taxes are being applied.

Thomas Wood stated that taxes are an investment in the community but he is interested on his return. He looks at how efficient things are, the condition of roads, etc. He is fine with taxes and increases as long as he can see a return.

Chris Snell stated that long ago City leaders decided it would be better if Kaysville did not have a large commercial center. Kaysville has walked that tightrope of balancing property and sales taxes that fund the Kaysville City General Fund. Kaysville's property tax rate is in the middle of County. He believes Kaysville has done a noble job of making sure property taxes have remained relatively low. Kaysville has only had two property tax increases in the last quarter century. He believes citizens are getting tremendous value and a big bang for their buck. He is sure there are efficiencies that could be gotten but the citizens need to decide what they want Kaysville to be and where to find the appropriate balance between sales tax revenues and property tax revenues.

Darrell McKinnon stated that he believes it is best for individuals to keep as much as they can. Taxes are very important and Kaysville is blessed with the tax base they have. He believes strongly that Kaysville City has been frugal. Citizens live in a society and part of that is for all to contribute. He does not have children in school any more but he pays taxes to fund the school system. He is not on Social Security but he pays thousands of dollars every year into the Social Security fund. He is helping others under that system now. It takes all to participate and make things work. He believes Kaysville has done an excellent job.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that taxes are a sensitive topic. When people are asked for money and they don't know what the funds are being used for or what the repercussions will be if an initiative is not funded, that leads to frustration. As the head of her office, she always looks for efficiencies in her budget. Responsible government is all about looking for efficiency. There may be times when taxes may need to be increased but there are ways for government to handle efficiencies in order to not overly tax individuals.

Council Member Garlick asked the applicants what one service the City provides they believe is the most important and what they would do to maintain or improve that service.

Bobby Johnston stated that he always looks at his utility bill. He looks at the sewer, water, road repairs, and sees the cost. He would like the City to be more transparent where that money is going and where the money is being applied. He believes in tracking costs and seeing where the City can be efficient. If there is surplus, he would like to see Pioneer Park finished.

Lynn Galbraith stated that he doesn't believe any one service is more important than another. He would like to involve citizens and see what they think is most important.

Katie Witt stated that fair establishment of rules by which the community runs is important to her. She believes that the purpose of the City Council is to develop a framework by which rules of the community are made. Upholding that can be done through dialog, ideas, and working with people so that it is as close to a democracy as it can be.

Russ Lindberg stated that security and protection by police and fire is important to him. When an emergency happens, he wants someone to come. Kaysville City has done a wonderful job of supporting the police and showing that is a priority. He believes that needs to be continued.

Sam Bracken stated that he believes the City's infrastructure is adequate and that the City is well run. He believes public safety services are most important. The money spent on the new police station is a big controversy but law enforcement is a critical piece of democracy. The police defend citizens every day and citizens need to support them. In the future, he believes the police station building needs to be used as a regional training facility throughout Davis County.

Stroh DeCaire stated that public safety, the police department and fire department are crucial. Kaysville City has made an investment in law enforcement which is showcased here. The new police station is a wonderful building. There is room for growth that will serve the City for years to come. Infrastructure is second in importance to him. He lives in an older part of the City and believes that sewer, power lines, and roads need to be maintained. He doesn't want to see the City

get behind the curve. He believes that Kaysville is an efficiently run city and about as transparent as it gets.

Mack McDonald stated that emergency preparedness is important to him. Earthquake fault lines run through this area and he believes the City needs to improve their Emergency Services Plan. He sits on the State's Emergency Operations Center and sees how ill prepared we are as a State. He also works for Davis County and has the same concerns with them. There are 27 daycare centers in Kaysville, which means 540 families of young children would be affected in a disaster if those parents can't get to their children. He implemented a Children and Youth Disaster Task Force for the State which helps write plans for youth in disasters and decides how daycares can get up and running again after a disaster so parents can go to work. One of his goals is to strengthen emergency preparedness.

Thomas Wood stated that about eight years ago his oldest son was playing with an airsoft gun with some neighborhood children and someone called the police. They showed up and put the children on the ground and handcuffed them. He is grateful his child did not become a statistic. He is grateful to police for their wisdom and training. He supports them because they are forced to make tough choices.

Chris Snell stated that public safety, police, fire, ambulance and EMS services are important to him. He believes that is a critical service the City provides. A few years ago the City constructed a new fire station with the intent it would be large enough to use at build-out. He is grateful for the new police station that will be used at build-out. He believes the City needs to have a mind toward a greater full-time staff for the fire department.

Darrell McKinnon stated that public safety is important to him. He believes that those who serve on the police and fire departments are awesome. The time they give, the skill they have, and the love they have for the City is tremendous. He would like to see a full-time fire department. He believes that the City is large enough for that and it is needed to better serve the citizens. Grants from the government could help bring on a full-time staff or buy equipment.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that she appreciates living in a safe community. She believes the police do a fantastic job. She believes other services need to be recognized, such as water, sewer, and building inspection to make sure homes coming in are safe for families. She would like to see a more walkable community. She walks the trails with her dogs and finds that she cannot walk the trails after dark. She would like to see trails improved and a pedestrian crossing light on 200 North. She appreciates all services provided by Kaysville City.

Council Member Johnson asked the applicants to give one word that describes their personality or character trait.

Padma Veeru-Collings: steadfast

Darrell McKinnon: service

Chris Snell: resolute

Thomas Wood: fair

Mack McDonald: motivated

Stroh DeCaire: gregarious

Sam Bracken: passionate

Russell Lindberg: open-minded

Katie Witt: collaborator

Lynn Galbraith: caring

Bobby Johnston: genuine

Mayor Hiatt asked each applicant to explain something they feel they can bring to the Council that would encourage more involvement in issues.

Stroh DeCaire stated that in his role as chair of the July 4th parade, he has interfaced with thousands of people. That has allowed him to form relationships with City staff, elected officials, and citizens. He has the ability to engage people and get people motivated.

Mack McDonald stated that sometimes a decision is made and then there is a public outcry. Getting public involvement is crucial. He believes the best way to get information out is through the newsletter and website. He also recommended that the Council get back into neighborhoods. When he was training in Iraq, he took officials to streets of neighborhoods and they talked firsthand with neighbors. Dates could be set up in neighborhoods where officials would meet with citizens on a corner and talk to them. He recommended officials show up at community events. Elected officials are good at going door-to-door during the election but then don't meet with citizens in their neighborhoods after that. He would like to see block parties in different neighborhoods. Also, group emails could be set up to inform people about what is going on.

Thomas Wood stated that the Council can't make everyone happy. He conducts trainings for landlords and tenants and they believe 100% the other side is wrong. His job is to get them to understand that they may not like the decision that is made. The Council should be fair and try to get people to understand that the Council is trying to do the best for them. They may not be happy with a decision, but the decision made will be in the best interest for all citizens.

Chris Snell stated that people who are upset about an issue will vocalize that but it is hard to get people to really care or to want to be engaged if everything is going fine. As long as garbage is picked up and water runs, generally people don't want to be bothered. When something happens in a neighborhood they become engaged. He is a people person. On a daily basis, he works with people who get very upset and can be difficult. Being able to handle the situation professionally and courteously is important. Many people may not agree with the decision but if they feel the decision was fair and that they had the ear of the Council, almost everyone will swallow tradeoffs.

Darrell McKinnon stated that he has a peaceful demeanor and loves serving people. He believes it is important to reach out to people even if they do not agree with his position. He believes that many people are discouraged with what goes on in Washington, D.C. but Kaysville is not Washington, D.C. He believes that the City Council is doing the best they can and spending time serving the citizens. The Council needs to listen to people and understand what they are feeling and what is important to them.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that she wants to make sure she individually represents the interest of those she serves. In order to know what that is, she would need to interact with people and listen. She stated that it would be easy to recognize great suggestions in the City newsletter. Everyone appreciates being recognized. She believes that the only way involvement can be encouraged is if the person has a buy-in. She believes relationships need to be built and that has to be built by constant and consistent contact. When an individual is out campaigning and asking for votes, they are out contacting people. Once elected, that contact is rare. If she was appointed to the City Council, she would make sure she was physically in the community and was present to represent the community members.

Bobby Johnston stated that he approaches leadership on a one-to-one basis. A good leader listens and seeks feedback from friends and neighbors. He believes the City does a good job soliciting feedback at City meetings. He would reach out to friends and neighbors and listen to them and represent their voice with integrity.

Lynn Galbraith stated that nationally people are apathetic. One reason for that is they don't think leaders are in touch with the common person. Recently, the Planning Commission voted to increase density in west Kaysville from two units per acre to four units per acre. The City Council did not go ahead with that but he believes there should have been preparatory work. He would go to west Kaysville and ask people what they want. Once citizens know that the Council cares, they will see improvement.

Katie Witt stated that she loves working with citizens. She believes the Council needs to meet people where they are at. Not everyone wants to come to City Council meetings. The City needs to provide multiple ways for citizens to be as involved as they want to be. She would like to see the Council do a visioning process for the community. Anyone that receives a power bill should be invited to participate. That could be done by tele town hall meetings, online surveys, mail-in surveys, informal get-togethers with one or two Council Members per month on a Saturday morning and moving those around the City, quarterly events where citizens are invited to visit with department heads where they would go from room to room and talk to staff so they understand where money is coming from and where it is going, do quick video segments that are shared on facebook regarding what is going on in the City, and create a few more advisory boards inviting citizens to help create plans. She believes everyone deserves a chance to weigh in.

Russell Lindberg stated that during Planning Commission meetings many decisions are made in an empty room. That could be apathy but maybe it is because citizens elected leaders they trust and they want to live their lives and not worry about the government. He hopes the City Council operates in a way where citizens don't feel they have to be involved in every decision because they trust the Council. He believes improvement could be made in a couple of ways. One of the issues he hears most at Planning Commission meetings is people don't know something is happening. He believes the City could do a better job of informing citizens about what is happening through technology.

Sam Bracken stated that he believes there is a general disconnect between citizens and city government. He works for Franklin Covey and would bring a unique set of skills to the Council that no one else has. Working for Franklin Covey he had the opportunity to contribute and help write, *The 3rd Alternative*, Dr. Covey's last book. He is an expert on creating new solutions that no one else has. He is certified to teach, *Leading at the Speed of Trust*, *7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, and *The 4 Disciplines of Execution*. He explained that Franklin Covey has all kinds of products that help produce results. He believes the Council needs to seek first to understand, then be understood. He believes the Council and the City have not done a good job in letting the community understand. He believes the City has listened to the community but has not convinced them that they are making right decisions. He would be excited and passionate about establishing procedures, receiving feedback, conducting a survey and would create a whole system for efficiency and transparency in government. With his job at Franklin Covey, he works in State and local government and public safety all over the world. He would bring that expertise.

Council Member Stephens stated that he believes one of the most critical problems the City faces is safety. Additional growth is bringing additional traffic. He asked the applicants to explain their idea on what could be done to calm traffic in order to provide more safety.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that she would try and get the community to buy into the concept of a pace car, with each vehicle observing the posted speed limit.

Darrell McKinnon stated that he would invite citizens to be kinder. If people were kinder, it would solve most problems.

Chris Snell stated that it is important to spread services out and get shopping and other services on the west side so residents don't have to go up town and congest 200 North and Main Street. He also believes that the City needs to push Legacy North.

Thomas Wood stated that he believes Kaysville has done a good job with wide roads and reasonable speed limits. Traffic is still moderate in most areas. He would look at growth and spread services around so people are not congregated to one area.

Mack McDonald stated that he believes it is important to have several modes of transportation. He would have a transportation plan and promote the bus rapid transit system and carpooling that could be promoted on the City website.

Stroh DeCaire stated that he believes it is incumbent on the City to design, implement and build smart subdivisions that are well thought out and have good road construction with inlets, outlets, ingress, and egress. Kaysville has done an excellent job of doing that, building out in a slow, methodical fashion. He believes if the City maintains their growth and maintains the pattern that has been developed, that is a good direction. He also believes spreading out shopping is a good idea. He believes alternative transportation and establishing a plan is paramount.

Sam Bracken stated that he would look for other cities who are handling growth the best and learn about their best practices. He believes that for the safety of the community, citizen input is needed. He would create a public safety community of concerned citizens and go through a series of taking best practices and gathering their ideas and input and present that to Council.

Russell Lindberg stated that he sits on the Kaysville Active Transportation Committee, which is a committee working to increase walking and biking in Kaysville and Farmington. They received a grant in the amount of \$60,000 and are working to design bike lanes, signage, additional trails, and improvement of existing trails so that there is a network of alternative transportation other than cars. He believes facilities need to be created so citizens feel safe biking or walking.

Katie Witt stated that bump-outs and roundabouts are good things for traffic calming. She served on a transportation advisory board and is very interested in transportation planning.

Lynn Galbraith stated that he believes the west side of the City needs to be properly developed. There is a two lane road going to Smith's and essentially a one lane road on Flint Street. He doesn't see how that will sustain traffic. He believes those roads should be widened. A lot of children walk along Angel Street to get to Centennial Jr. High through areas that have no sidewalk. He believes the City needs to see what they can do about that.

Bobby Johnston stated that Kaysville is a commuter community. Enforcement is one piece and he believes Chief Oberg has done a good job addressing that. Education is another piece that should start at home. Getting information out and citizen support could be easily and cheaply done but it takes a concerted effort from the community. A good place to start would be with leadership.

Council Member Johnson asked the applicants to describe Kaysville in one word.

Bobby Johnston: home

Lynn Galbraith: choice

Katie Witt: home

Russell Lindberg: serene

Sam Bracken: awesome

Stroh DeCaire: transparent

Mack McDonald: home

Thomas Wood: home

Chris Snell: home

Darrell McKinnon: heavenly

Padma Veeru-Collings: home

Council Member Lee stated that this is an election year. She asked each applicant if they want to serve on the City Council why they did not chose to run for office.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that she held public office and concluded that on August 28th so she could not file to run until that was concluded.

Darrell McKinnon stated that the last time he ran for office was in elementary school and he lost. The more he has attended Council meetings and the love he has for the City prompted him to come forward.

Chris Snell stated that the government was set up to have citizen leaders serve for a time and then go away. He felt two terms was sufficient and his work situation was such that it was not conducive. His work situation and other things have changed, which would now allow him more time. When Jared Taylor resigned, he thought it might be a good time to get back and provide additional service for the City, which he loved.

Thomas Wood stated that he thought about running but had some issues in his life that precluded that. This spring, two sons left on missions, another son graduated from Davis High, another son got married, and his fourth son finished his Eagle project. He could not do that to his wife.

Mack McDonald explained that for him timing was a critical issue. He just started working at Davis County and did not know if he could make that kind of commitment. Now he understands his role there better. There is also a financial involvement that it takes to run for office and he also had a wedding in July that took a portion of his finances.

Stroh DeCaire stated that he has run for office before and had intentions of running again this year but in May he was elected Chairman of the Democratic Party for Davis County. That was a large undertaking. He also serves on the Planning Commission, is chair of the July 4th parade, and works full-time. He has many irons in the fire but after hearing of Jared Taylor's resignation he discussed that with his wife and felt it was his civic responsibility to put his name in for this position. His allegiance to the City is unparalleled and he has fostered relationships with the City that are unseverable.

Sam Bracken stated that it was also timing for him. He had friends running and chose to support them. As he got more involved, he thought about the skills he could bring.

Russell Lindberg stated that he was serving on the Planning Commission and thought most Planning Commission members would be running. He did not look forward to campaigning. He also felt there were great people running and that he would be represented well. When this position came up, he thought he could make a difference.

Katie Witt stated that she is running for office this year but she respects anyone who sticks their neck out. It is difficult to put your name out there and get grilled, but it is fun to run. It is a wonderful way to get to know your neighbors better.

Lynn Galbraith stated that there was no way his wife would agree to it. He has served his time so he was not that anxious to run for office again.

Bobby Johnston stated that he did run for office but was defeated in the Primary. He believes service to the community should be considered by everyone. He talked to a lot of people. This position is not convenient. He works 60 hours a week but service is not often convenient. He is here because this is home and he feels a call to serve at this time.

Mayor Hiatt asked each applicant to give a closing statement.

Padma Veeru-Collings stated that she has been incredibly blessed. One Monday morning she left Paal Lumpur at 6:30 a.m., flew across the international date line, and arrived at Honolulu, Hawaii at 6:00 p.m. that night. She got her job that same day and came to United States with \$400. She has gone to school and paid off all her debt because America is a wonderful country and truly a land of opportunity. She loves America and that is why she has chosen to be in public service. Because she has been blessed and because of meager circumstances from which she comes, she feels she owes a debt of gratitude to her faith which guides her to serve her community. She has been academically prepared and has some personal training from years of experience in serving her community. When she was in law school, she was invited to interview with a firm on Wall Street but chose not to go to Wall Street or go into private practice because serving the public was more important to her. Her first job did not pay very much but that is not what was important to her. Confucius said, "If you love what you are doing, you will not work a day in your life." She has been able to do what she loves, which is work with communities to help improve communities. While serving as Chief Salt Lake City Prosecutor, Salt Lake City was ranked one of the six deadliest cities in the nation with regard to traffic fatalities per capita. Salt Lake City does not have that distinction anymore because of strategies she put in place. She worked with courts and other providers to come up with a traffic school and she intervened. It was a meaningful intervention. She listened to the needs of her community, to the community council, to the City Council and to the judiciary. She would enjoy working with all the members of the City Council.

Darrell McKinnon stated that he has listened to all the different candidates. He believes the City will not be short changed by whomever they choose. The City will be blessed. He has been amazed watching candidates run for President. Their love of country and their desire to serve stands out to him. He felt that strongly recently. He has been blessed by living here. He believes the department heads are incredible and people serving with them are fantastic. He hopes each citizen would come together more and be more understanding and lenient and realize what a wonderful place this is.

Chris Snell stated that he has had the opportunity to sit where the Council is and fill vacancies. Tonight he has seen one of the best crops of applicants. He knows what the demands of the position are. He thought long and hard about that prior to submitting his application. This position he is applying to fill has a little over two years left. In his experience, it takes at least six months to one year to become fully functional in that role. He could hit the ground running from day one without a learning curve and fill the remaining years with dedication. He wants to see the City Council have the ability and skillset to be able to engage with citizens regardless of perspective and viewpoint.

Thomas Wood stated that he is not native to Utah but chose to come here. After he graduated, he and his family lived on the east coast. They chose to come back to Utah. They had a lot of options. They looked at homes in Draper, Sandy, in the avenues area of Salt Lake, and in Kaysville. From the beginning they knew it would be Kaysville. There was something about that home and Kaysville they liked. They had previously moved 12 times. Kaysville has been home to them. That is one reason he wants to give back. Other people feel that same way. He believes Kaysville needs to maintain that hometown feel. He looks forward to the opportunity to serve in this position. He owns his own business and sets his own hours. He can be available at any time. He has the experience and desire needed for this position.

Mack McDonald stated that he has been a public servant in the department aspect where he has worked. He has seen what a bedroom community becomes if it's not paid attention to and if proper zoning and planning is not applied. He has worked for a City Council so he knows what it takes. He can find efficiencies and improve the government. He has taken his experience to different countries to help improve their systems. When he was in Afghanistan he implemented a 17 member City Council. Everything was going great with the diplomatic process where they elected their own representatives. Then within a week seven members of that Council were assassinated and there went their government. People are lucky to be in this country and not have the stresses other countries do. The City Council has to deal with citizens that are oftentimes concerned with their decisions. His goal is engaging the community and enacting based on their foresight and what they envision. Kaysville has a great General Plan that was created by citizens. He believes he has the ability to act on that General Plan. He believes the City should be prepared for emergencies and have the foresight on the way development is done.

Stroh DeCaire stated that he has spent a vast majority of his life serving his community and his country. He spent 14 years in the defense industry traveling to 50 countries and being deployed for weeks and months on end. He understands the sacrifice it takes to be absent at times. Commitment to service was instilled in him at a young age. His dad, who holds public office in Michigan, instilled that in him. Importance of diversity in councils, commissions and groups was discussed in a previous Planning Commission meeting. Being a member of the minority both religiously and politically in Utah is a difficult thing. When he ran for office in 2013 everyone wanted to know if he was a Democrat or a Republican. He believes it doesn't matter what allegiance his political viewpoints are. His heart, mind and soul belongs to this City. He has chosen Kaysville City to raise his family, to pay his taxes, and to be as involved as he is.

Sam Bracken thanked the Council for the work they do. He believes citizens don't understand sacrifices they make, what they have to consider, and what they do. That job is not appreciated as much as it should be. He believes all citizens are better off because of their sacrifice. Ten years ago they lived in Georgia and they had time to prepare to return to Utah. His wife studied all communities along the Wasatch Front and then wanted to move to Kaysville. They have received blessings for living here because of hardworking people like the City Council. He believes their decision this evening is easy. Numerous people are qualified to fill the position and any one of them would do a great job. For him, just becoming more involved is exciting. He believes that every great team usually is made up of complimentary talents and resources. Different opinions and ideas are needed. He would bring a different perspective, passion, creativity and service mindset and it would be an honor to serve the citizens of Kaysville.

Russell Lindberg stated that he loves Sundays when Main Street is dead and the 4th of July where thousands of people line the street. He loves the New Year's Eve party when the City feeds thousands of people. Those are things that make Kaysville unique and special. There is a standard of living people enjoy here. He believes the City needs to do a better job of recruiting and keeping businesses here. He was on the General Plan committee. A lot of citizens participated in the creation of that plan. Kaysville is a desirable location. He loves Kaysville. The Council has seen what he has done for the last six years on the Planning Commission. He is willing to serve and he works in Kaysville and is available when needed.

Katie Witt stated that she likes to think of herself as a political talent scout. There are many great political contenders here. She meets the criteria of someone who can hit the ground running. She met with the City Council and department heads and she is attending City Council meetings. She threw her hat into the ring before this vacancy came up because she wants to be on the City Council. She is committed. She has spent time knocking on doors and talking to people. She can talk to everybody and everybody is needed in this community. She believes the Council needs someone who has practical ideas. She has practical ideas. This would be her full-time job so she would be available. This is the level of government that touches people's lives most. She loves working with people who appreciate that. The City Council makes the City a better place to live and they make it feel like home.

Lynn Galbraith stated that he believes the decision made tonight by the City Council will be one of the most important decisions they make in their career on the Council. He urged the Council to think very carefully about their selection. Even though he has had a lot more experience, more than any of these applicants, he is not sure that is the best route to go. He believes there is a lot of citizen frustration and looking at the Primary election results tells him that people want change. They want new blood. He believes that it is more important to look at someone who has not served the City because that will help unite the City rather than divide it. Someone new has no agenda or anything that keeps them away from the citizens and brings in fresh approaches.

Bobby Johnston stated that this was a difficult decision for him. He has been through the Primary election. He believes the decision that the Council has to make is what criteria is more important at this time. He wonders if experience, time in the chair, or personal career are most important. Each applicant brings something different. He hopes the Council will look at his application. Politics does not come naturally to him but he has integrity, honesty, and character. He works well with people and can bring people together. He believes the City has an "us versus them" mentality. He can hit the ground running. At this time, the Council has an opportunity to bring a new face that is well qualified that can heal the past. In the months to come, this could be a fresh beginning for the City.

Mayor Hiatt called for a three minute break.

Following the break, Council Member Lee stated that this is an excellent group of candidates, that are well qualified and professional. Even considering that several don't have any experience, the Council needs to look at history and some of the greatest leaders that had zero experience. She believes the Council needs to determine if they will be a good fit and would work well and if they meet the obligation to have the time to do this job.

Council Member Garlick stated that he thought about Mr. McDonald's comment about the City Council in Iraq and about feeling safe here. He was disappointed to find out that Gil Miller had decided to withdraw. It seems that happened because of vicious attacks and a group that wants to divide this City through false accusations. He believes everyone who wants to be involved in this process should be welcome. The Kaysville he knows and loves is loving and kind and charitable and want to help each other and provide service. He believes people can disagree but can do it without being disagreeable and come back together and be stronger friends. He hopes that is something people can learn from this process. He believes people need to be more kind and loving. He thanked Gil Miller for his great service and the sacrifice he has made over the years to this community. Jared Taylor resigned and citizens who elected him deserve someone that has the kind of perspective Jared Taylor had. He believes that it is wise to stagger election cycles. Reasons to do that are to bring consistency, continuity and experience. He believes that experience is strong. At the end of December, three City Council Members will no longer be serving and there is a possibility that there will be three new Council Members that have not served on the Council before. Having someone with past experience, great contacts with people, and who is unifying and wants to listen are qualities he believes can best serve Kaysville City and this City Council.

Council Member Stephens stated that the last Council meeting in this room was difficult. He kept trying to decide what has brought the Council to this point. He complimented each applicant. He didn't hear anything from that last meeting being brought into this meeting and it was a chance for a new beginning. He loves the comments made about home and Kaysville. He has made mistakes but he doesn't believe that the Council deserved what they got at the last meeting. He thanked the applicants for helping him put that in the background. He would like to take what he felt tonight with him. That feels like the Kaysville he loves and calls home. He believes that there have been some convincing statements tonight about experience. This is not an easy decision for him. Some great applicants have spoken tonight and he appreciates the ideas and feelings.

Council Member Johnson thanked the applicants. They were impressive. It is encouraging to have this kind of interest in the community. He encouraged the applicants to continue to look for opportunities to serve the community. There are many ways to serve other than on the City Council.

Mayor Hiatt stated that he believes experience is excellent. He also believes that people don't need to have experience. When he first applied he had no clue what was involved. He did his best to educate himself. He believes what is needed more than anything is someone willing to keep an open mind and be slow to judge and slow to react. He has tried to understand all sides of an issue. He would like to see someone having knowledge of how the City Council operates and someone who is familiar with the community and feel of Kaysville. He would also like to see someone who is willing to keep an open mind even when it is uncomfortable to do so.

Mayor Hiatt asked the Council Members if they had enough information to vote.

The Council Members all felt that they have enough information.

Mayor Hiatt explained that the Council Members will now vote for one applicant they would like to appoint.

The Council Members voted, then handed their vote to the City Recorder. The votes for Round 1 were read.

Council Member Johnson:	Chris Snell
Council Member Stephens:	Chris Snell
Council Member Garlick:	Chris Snell
Council Member Lee:	Lynn Galbraith

Mayor Hiatt explained that the Council Members should vote again on the top two, Chris Snell and Lynn Galbraith. The Council Members then voted and passed their votes to the City Recorder.

The votes for Round 2 were read.

Council Member Johnson:	Chris Snell
Council Member Stephens:	Chris Snell
Council Member Garlick:	Chris Snell
Council Member Lee:	Lynn Galbraith

Mayor Hiatt announced the appointment of Chris Snell and then administered the oath of office to him.

Council Member Garlick made a motion for adjournment at 10:00 p.m., second by Council Member Johnson and passed unanimously.