

MINUTES  
EAST MILLCREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
Thursday, December 7, 2006

Present: Kurt Zimmerman, Jay Griffith, Sally Kaiser, Nate Laver, Leslie Riddle, Rob Dunfield, Sally Kaiser, Greg Offerman, Anna Clare Shepherd, Aaron Whitehead, Kenneth Riter, Kathy Swift, and Judd Jones. Stewart Woodruff was excused.

The meeting was called to order by Jay Griffith.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by a boy scout in the audience.

Leslie Riddle – minutes from the November meeting were approved as amended. Passed unanimously. Financial report by Greg Offerman indicates a balance of \$3,149.24. Waiting for bill from newspaper. \$600.40 Salt Lake County has waived for elections and new board member signs must be ordered.

Nate Laver brought up concerns for by-laws. Was Richard Lee's term up? Who on the council is an alternate? Biggest concern is the need for a quorum at all meetings. Discussion of changing the by-laws from 11 to 13 board members, and no more alternates. And a quorum will consist of five members or a simple majority of those in attendance. Nate will revise the bylaws for approval at the next meeting.

Motion that Jay Griffith will be chair person. All except Jay Griffith voted yes.

Motion that Nate Laver be vice chair person. Passed unanimously.

Motion that Sally Kaiser be secretary. Passed unanimously.

Motion that Greg Offerman be treasurer. Passed unanimously.

Motion that funding for combined community councils website (all township) be supplied. Passed unanimously.

Detective Brett Stewart reported that he is going back to school to finish his masters degree and will go to special operations division and may not be our liaison in the future. Mike Cupella will be here in January.

We were updated on concerns about the house on Craig Drive. The house is being investigated for mortgage fraud by the FBI. There is no home owner to go after for problems or issues because of the mortgage fraud. Home was cleaned real well, no evidence of methamphetamine or drugs. But there was evidence of prostitution.

There was not a representative from Mayor Corroon's office. A new person will be appointed to replace Rebecca Sanchez.

In regards to the county applications, we will not be informed about any new construction listed as other. Leslie Riddle will bring up to the planning commission any concerns we

have about conditional use applications in the future. Website for the Millcreek Township Planning Committee is [www.pw.slco.org/agendas](http://www.pw.slco.org/agendas).

- Motion was passed unanimously on the 1200 foot garage for the Marcotte's even though the planning commission has already acted upon this.
- Motion was passed unanimously on the office space for David Perkins as long as recommendations are met.

The Lions Club requested to be involved with plans for the library/recreational center/park, a committee is being formed for this. There may be flyers for a public meeting in January. Nothing is concrete here except the budget and even that may be augmented by the county or through private fund-raising. The Lions Club was instrumental in creation for those facilities from the beginning

Kristin Garbett updated us on the historical status. The survey was presented to the Utah State Historical Society and was passed. Now it goes to the National Park Service. Another \$700 needs to be raised to pay the architectural historian.

Cheryl Nunez brought up that the mulberry trees on Robin Bennion's property are now on the State Historic Tree registry according to the State Forester. There is a need to find more DUP trees.

Reverend Deacon Jack Roddy of the Episcopal Church brought to our attention the problem with Payday type lending companies. It is a very convenient way for people who need a loan but have no collateral. All one would need was an active checking account. Borrow \$500 and they give you \$350 and you write a postdated check. They charge 300 to 600% interest. Utah has some of the loosest laws for these types of companies in the country. Payday loans claim that they don't charge interest, just fees. Go to [www.cageyconsumer.com/payday](http://www.cageyconsumer.com/payday) for more information. Tony Godfrey of the Millcreek Township Planning Commission was in attendance and recommended also sending a letter to the commission. Motion was passed to submit a letter of recommendation to the county and the Millcreek Planning Commission to address this concern. Leslie Riddle volunteered to write the letter.

There is a new website we can monitor for new development and construction in our neighborhoods. [www.pwpds.slco.org/zoning/html/activefiles.html](http://www.pwpds.slco.org/zoning/html/activefiles.html)  
We can see what has happened in regards to planning and zoning in our neighborhoods.

Phil Riesen attended the meeting. He gave us his cell phone number, 560-3055. He believes that politicians should listen more and wants to represent our concerns and needs in District 36. He was a reporter and journalist for 40 years and wants to help bring better government to our district. He won by only 217 votes of 12,000 and understands that he must try to represent a diverse group of interests. We made it clear that HB40 is our biggest concern and that Susan Lawrence was also strongly interested in this and we want him to be as well. Phil Riesen stated that he will be meeting with Susan Lawrence to discuss issues that are important to her.

Kathy Swift brought up concerns about lack of sidewalks on Upland Drive. Sally Kaiser said that she would look into this.