

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF LEEDS
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

The Town Council of Leeds will hold a Town Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 23, 1997
at 7:30 p.m. at the Leeds Town Hall, 218 North Main Street. Public welcome to attend.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge
4. Approval of Agenda, Financial Statement and Minutes of March 26, and April 9, 1997 meetings
5. Kaye Kent
 - Discussion of Silver Reef Road (20 minutes)
 - Town Council Response (10 minutes)
6. Stephen Westhoff, Council Member (10 minutes)
 - Noise Ordinance Proposal
7. Joanne Thornton, Council Member (15 minutes)
 - Update and Educational Process of Sewer Feasibility
 - Discussion on Trails
8. Marilyn Kay Fairbanks, Council Member (5 minutes)
 - Park
9. Charlie Scott, Council Member (10 minutes)
 - Report on Meeting with Toquerville and Ashcreek Sewer District
10. Melvin Evans, Mayor (20 minutes)
 - Preliminary Budget Proposal
11. Other Business
12. Adjournment

POSTED THIS 18th DAY OF APRIL 1997


Patrick J. Franks, Manager / Clerk

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INDICATED.**

Town of Leeds
**Minutes for the
Town Council Meeting
of April 23, 1997**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Melvin Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Evans, Town Council Members Joanne Thornton, Steve Westhoff, Charlie Scott and Kay Fairbanks and Town Attorney Steve Urquhart.
3. **PLEDGE:** Patrick Franks
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA, FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND MINUTES OF MARCH 26, AND APRIL 9, 1997 MEETINGS:**
Kay made a motion to accept the minutes as written, and the financial statement and agenda as presented. Joanne seconded the motion and all were in favor.

5. **KAYE KENT**

Discussion of Silver Reef Road

Before comments were taken, Mayor Evans stated the following: He asked that the comments be limited to the discussion at hand and that only new points be brought up. He told those present that the Town Council is a Legislative Body. He also gave a brief summary of why the speed limit on Silver Reef Road that is within the Town Boundaries was lowered to 30 mph. In October, Chief of Police Elvin Braman, asked about the speed limit on Silver Reef Road stating that most people did not obey the then 35 mph posted signs. That he felt the speed limit needed to be addressed. Mayor Evans then drove the road in question in two different vehicles and came to the conclusion that with the curves and limited sight distance and the residences located on this road that the speed limit would be best set at 30 mph. A notice was posted on October 29, 1997 that there would be a public hearing on November 13, 1997 about the change in the speed limit on Silver Reef Road. The public hearing was held and there were no objections from anyone present at the public hearing. In the Town Council Meeting following the public hearing, the Town Council voted to change the speed limit to 30 mph and adopted a new ordinance.

Kaye Kent (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

She feels the speed limit change is about a lot more than just Silver Reef Road. She feels it's a police state. She wants the 30 mph signs taken down and a 45 mph sign put up. She also wants one police car sold and she only want on police officer.

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Miles Cunningham (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

Mr. Cunningham owns property in Leeds Town on the boundary of Leeds and the Silver Reef Area. Said that the Leeds Town Sign and 30 mph Sign are on his property and that no one ask to put the signs up and he wants them taken down.

Nina Keester (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

Ms. Keester lives on Bonanza Flat Road. She invited everyone to try and turn off of Silver Reef Road onto her road. She has had 7 different people pass her on the corner over the double yellow line as she has tried to make a left hand turn. She's glad that the speed limits have been lowered and would like to see an intersection with 3 stop signs.

Joy Cooney (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

She feels that no matter what's posted, people will do what they want. She also feels that the remark about the police hiding in the bushes is not accurate and that the people in Silver Reef should obey the speed limit.

Bob Carpenter (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

He feels that the residents of Silver Reef should have known about the speed limit before the Town posted it. He felt a letter to their Special Service District would have been appropriate.

Mayor Evans stated that the Town Council followed all legal procedures.

Council Member Joanne Thornton ask the difference in time between driving the road at 35 mph versus 30 mph. Mayor Evans stated that the difference was 12 seconds.

Arita Evans (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

She felt that Leeds is in a bad situation by having I-15 so close to us. She is grateful that the Police Department is in Leeds and feels it is an asset.

Peggy Allen (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

Not everyone is opposed to the Police Department. Our road (speaking of Vista Avenue and Silver Meadows Road) is 20 mph and sometimes it's hard to drive that slow. But when I drive and think about the kids that play on that road I know why it's 20 mph. She supports the police and is thankful for the protection.

Pam Freeman (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

She has a problem with the road being 30 mph.

Nancy Harrison-Williams (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

She has lived in Silver Reef for 17 years. She has had to pull many people out of the mud and off of the sides of the road. She is glad the speed limit is 30 mph because of the wildlife and because it's hard to take the curves on the road any faster.

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Jim Bray (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

He feels the 30 mph is to slow. He ask if the Town Council has told the Police Department to write tickets for revenue. Mayor Evans told him that the Police Department has never been told to write tickets for revenue. The Mayor also stated that the Town received \$1 for every \$4 that is spent on the Police Department.

Wayne Hepworth (Resident of Eldorado Hills, Washington County, Utah)

He has a different perception from everyone else. He feels that a sign needs to be posted at the South off-ramp of I-15 saying "Reduced Speed Ahead". He feels that the Town needs to change the perception of the Police Department to a better perception. His suggestions include the "Reduced Speed Ahead" sign and crosswalks by the church.

Chris Spilker (Resident of Silver Reef, Washington County, Utah)

He feels that someone is driving a wedge between the 2 entities. He feels we're going farther apart. Maybe meeting with Silver Reef SSD and try to let them know what the Town Councils plans are.

Pat Watkins (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

She is very supportive of Mr. Spilker and Mr. Hepworth. She feels there are 2 items being discussed: speed limit and police bashing. She has lived in Leeds for 6 ½ years and feels with growing there will be groaning. We need to work out our problems and remain friends. If you drive on I-15 from SLC to California you'll see police on the side of the road radaring. If you get a ticket, weren't you driving too fast? Are you not going to patronize a store in that certain area because the police gave you a ticket?

Dale Fielding (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

He feels that the Police Department needs to have more mercy, especially to him. The Police Department is here to protect us.

Christi Franks (Resident of St. George, Utah)

Christi spoke of her sister, Janette D'Albini, who was a police officer in Leeds. She told everyone that she gave several warnings to everyone. She also stated that the laws are for everyone. No one is exempt.

Chief Braman (Resident of Leeds, Utah)

It is his responsibility to write dog tickets, speeding tickets and investigate crimes. Mayor Brent K. DeMille told the Chief that at no time would he expect them to generate revenue. In 13 years of Law Enforcement he has found that the only way to get to some people is through their pocket book.

6. **STEPHEN WESTHOFF, COUNCIL MEMBER:**
Noise Ordinance Proposal

Steve has checked with the State and they will put up Noise Ordinance Signs on I-15 in the town has a Jake Brake Ordinance.

MOTION: Steve made a motion to have a public hearing on May 14, 1997 for the Noise Ordinance. Kay seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

7. **JOANNE THORNTON, COUNCIL MEMBER:**

Joanne told about the Navajo Acquifer and the potential of polluting ground water. Told about the grants and loans and that this is all still preliminary and that the Town Council will continue to have public hearings to seek the public's view and input to the sewer feasibility. Hardship grants are available for those who cannot afford to hook up. Coy Wiley ask about needing to pump to Main Street from his basement. Joanne said that according to the Engineers that he would not have to.

8. **MARILYN KAY FAIRBANKS, COUNCIL MEMBER:**

She is looking into getting the slide and swing set fixed and Vern has flagged the volleyball nets for safety and has also removed a broken bench.

9. **CHARLIE SCOTT, COUNCIL MEMBER:**

Charlie attended a meeting with Jones and DeMille (Engineers on the sewer project) and with Ashcreek Sewer District. There will be more meeting to continue looking at the feasibility of a sewer in Leeds.

10. **MELVIN EVANS, MAYOR:**

Mayor Evans spoke about the preliminary budget and about the need to cut expenditures. He will have a rough draft out soon for the Council to go over.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Bob Coxy asked about an ordinance to clean-up yards. The Mayor told him that we have a nuisance ordinance and that if Mr. Coxy would speak with him about which yard he was referring to that the Town could then approach the individual.

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 14 DAY OF Jan, 1998.

B. Ronald Mosher
B. Ronald Mosher, Mayor

Attest: Jay Stinson (for Patrick Shaker Minutes)
Town Clerk

Town Council

23 April 1997

Patrick Frenks
 Dale Thomas
 Nina Keester
 Leo Thornton
 James & Diane Humphrey
 Sandra Howard
 Steve & Roxanne Lewis
 Jim Slauch
 Jay Cooney
 Mike Cunningham
 Jim Gray
 Chris Spilker
 D. Allen
 Bob Allen
 Duke Evans
 James C. Grant
 Gary T. Anderson
 Glenn M. Wright
 Robert L. Carter
 Roy A. Brewer
 Paul Dinsley
 M. Lee
 Carl E. Fry
 Jay May
 John Stewart
 Donald Stinson

Dolores Neal
 Elvin Bannan
 Pauline Faulks
 Ron Faulks
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 Jeff Kruger
 Don Fielding
 Duke Fielding
 Norma Fielding
 Dale Pillsbury