

**PAGE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 11, 2010**

A Special Meeting of the Page City Council was held at 5:01 p.m. on February 11, 2010, in the Council Chambers at City Hall in Page, Arizona. Mayor Lyle Dimbatt presided. Vice Mayor John Cook, Councilors John Kocjan, Cecilia Cobb, Tom Puckett, Bill Diak and Vida Makowski were present. Councilor Kocjan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Dimbatt called the meeting to order.

Staff members present: City Manager, Bo Thomas; Assistant City Attorney, Robert Wingo; Page Electric Utility Manager, Bryan Hill; Fire Chief, Larry Clark; Deputy City Clerk, Kim Larson and City Clerk, Lori Anderson.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Proposed annexation of certain territory adjacent and contiguous to the City of Page, into the City of Page

Public hearing for the proposed annexation of certain territory adjacent and contiguous to the City of Page, into the City of Page.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Cook to open the public hearing. The motion was duly seconded and passed upon a vote.

Bryan Hill, Page Electric Utility Manager, explained that the PEU Board recognizes the need to preserve service territory and Page corporate boundaries need to be extended to do this. He also read a letter (attached) that was sent to Stan Austin, Superintendent of the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, memorializing that the City of Page does not intend to modify, amend or terminate any existing intergovernmental agreement with the National Park Service.

Scott Rhodes, Jennings, Strouss & Salmon, Special Legal Counsel to PEU and the City of Page, explained that the process and legalities of annexation have begun. He reiterated that all intergovernmental agreements will remain in effect.

Mayor Dimbatt read portions of a letter (attached) received from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Region Power Office, regarding some questions and concerns of the annexation.

Proponents

Tom Kliewer, ADOT yard (Highway 89) resident

Brian Carey, Acting Superintendent, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Dean Slavens, citizen

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Opponents

None

Motion made by Vice Mayor Cook to close the public hearing. The motion was duly seconded and passed upon a vote.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to the proposed annexation of certain territory adjacent and contiguous to the City of Page, into the City of Page-Ordinance 556-10-1<sup>st</sup> reading

Mayor Dimbatt commended Staff, Scott Rhodes and the PEU Board for moving this issue forward.

Vice Mayor Cook read a statement (attached) in support of the proposed annexation.

Motion made by Mayor Dimbatt to introduce Ordinance 556-10 by title only for its first reading. The motion was duly seconded and passed upon a vote.

The City Clerk introduced Ordinance 556-10 by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAGE, COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, EXTENDING AND INCREASING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PAGE, COCONINO COUNTY, STATE OF ARIZONA, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 7, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, BY ANNEXING THERETO CERTAIN TERRITORY CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PAGE.

Motion made by Mayor Dimbatt to pass Ordinance 556-10 to its second reading. The motion was duly seconded and passed upon a vote.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Cook to direct Staff and legal counsel to begin the formal annexation process, in compliance with state law. The motion was duly seconded and passed upon a vote.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.



Lori L. Anderson  
City Clerk



Lyle Dimbatt  
Mayor

# Page

February 8, 2010

**A R I Z O N A**  
THE CENTER OF CANYON COUNTRY

Mr. Stan Austin  
Superintendent  
Glen Canyon National Recreation Area  
P. O. Box 1507  
Page, AZ 86040

Dear Mr. Austin:

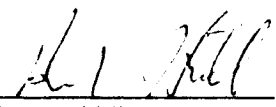
We are writing to you in anticipation of the Page City Council's February 11, 2010, hearing on a possible annexation. Our purpose is to memorialize that the City of Page does not intend to modify, amend, or terminate any existing intergovernmental agreement with the National Park Service. To the contrary, we do not want to change anything about the positive working relationship between the City and NPS. Moreover, we have been informed by legal counsel that the City of Page will not have jurisdiction after the annexation to impose any regulations, restrictions or impediments on Park Service operations. The purpose of this annexation is very simple: to protect our investment in our electric utility. It has nothing to do with NPS operations or our relationship as neighbors. To be perfectly clear, City of Page police, fire and emergency activities will take place within the boundary of Glen Canyon National Recreation Area ONLY upon request and pursuant to mutual agreement.

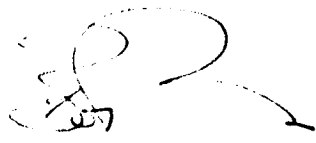
You and any of your representatives are welcome to attend the public hearing on February 11, 2010, beginning at 5:00 p.m., to listen to the staff's presentation of the annexation and, of course, we would welcome having you address the Council if you so desire.

Please feel free to share this with any and all of your employees.

Sincerely,

  
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Lyle Dimbatt  
Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Bryan Hill  
PEU General Manager

  
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Bo Thomas  
City Manager

City of Page  
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THURSDAY 02/11/10

## ANNEXATION STATEMENT

Before I vote tonight I would like to make a statement, primarily to the people of the NPS, but also to fellow citizens of Page. Most know I spend most of my life associated with the NPS - from birth to retirement, following in my father and grandfather footsteps, and being followed by my daughter Kaye who is the former Deputy Superintendent of GRAND. CANYON.

The last attempt at Page's annexation created a lot of suspicion and even some bad blood. It even resulted in <sup>personal</sup> negative blowback.

I hope this time is different. Personally I could and would not vote in favor of ANY action that could negatively impact the resources, people and policies of the NPS. I honestly believe this action will have NO

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Such negative impact, it will protect the City of Page and it will enhance the cooperative potential between Page and the NPS.

Tonight I will vote yes - the NPS and BLM lose nothing - Page potentially gains a needed protector.



# United States Department of the Interior

## BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Upper Colorado Region

Power Office

125 South State Street, Room 6107

Salt Lake City, UT 84138-1147



IN REPLY REFER TO:

UC-600

LND-5.00

FEB 09 2010

SEND VIA FEDEX

Honorable Lyle Dimbatt  
Mayor of Page  
P.O. Box 1180  
Page, AZ 86040

Subject: City of Page – Annexation of Corporate Boundary Service Area

RECEIVED  
CITY OF PAGE  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
10 FEB 10 PM 4:26

Dear Mayor Dimbatt:

We have recently learned that the City of Page is proposing to annex certain territory adjacent and contiguous to the City of Page, into the City of Page. We understand that such lands proposed for annexation may include lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation. Reclamation has questions and concerns on the extent of lands proposed for annexation as detailed in the Notice of Public Hearing, dated January 20, 2010.

Reclamation is unable to attend the public hearing scheduled for February 11, 2010. However, we would like to set up a meeting with the City to discuss concerns related to the proposed annexation, including the geographic extent of the proposed annexation as well as the potential impact to the operations of Glen Canyon Dam and Powerplant and other actions Reclamation may take related to any proposed developments in the area.

If you have questions, please contact me at 801-524-3745. I will be contacting you in the near future to set up a meeting.

Sincerely,

Max Spiker  
Area Manager, Power Office

cc: Lonnie Gourley  
Manager, Glen Canyon Field Division  
P.O. Box 1477  
Page, AZ 86040

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting, held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori L. Anderson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

Lori L. Anderson, City Clerk