

Minutes of Ephraim City Council Meeting  
April 7, 2004 – 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Morris O. Casperson, Council members: Don Olson, Jannette Anderson, Kim Cragun, Penny Kittlesrud, Garth Sorenson, Manager E. Richard Anderson.

The meeting was convened at 7:00 PM by Mayor Casperson.

Motion by Penny Kittlesrud to accept the minutes of March 17, 2004 as changed, seconded by Don Olson. Motion carries unanimously. Motion by Jannie Anderson to accept the minutes of March 31, 2004 work meeting as changed, seconded by Kim Cragun. Motion carries unanimously.

Mayor Casperson: Council reviewed warrant register. Motion by Don Olson to accept bills, seconded by Garth Sorenson. Motion carries unanimously.

### **Public Comment**

Glen and Teri Morris want a donation for the July 16<sup>th</sup> and July 17<sup>th</sup> car show that they will be doing. The money will go towards advertising to get more people involved with the car show. The Morris's think the car show will benefit Ephraim restaurants and hotels. They would like to advertise on the Ephraim website, and anywhere else that they can. Motion by Kim Cragun to donate \$100 out of the Light Parade Fund to go towards the car show, seconded by Penny Kittlesrud. Motion accepted by Penny Kittlesrud, Jannie Anderson, Kim Cragun, and Garth Sorenson. Motion opposed by Don Olson.

### **Agenda Items**

Presentation of Award to Phil Murray: Lifetime Achievement Award for Parks and Recreation. Only one award is given away each year in the whole state of Utah.

Canyon Road Gravel & Water Use: Bids are going out for the work on the Canyon Road. Richard Anderson was contacted by Brown Brothers Company requesting use of 5,000,000 gallons of water during the months of July, August, and September. Don Olson suggests making them pay for the water and the cost to pump it. They would also like to buy gravel from Ephraim, but research will be required to see what would be best. Richard Anderson will get Chad Parry and Alma Lund involved.

Darin Cummings: Darin's property located in the Ephraim Commercial Subdivision is in a flood zone and he is required to have flood insurance. Ephraim City's appraisal for his property represented the flood zone as not being an issue when the price was negotiated. The City is working with a firm in Salt Lake about getting the subdivision out of the flood zone. Motion by Jannie Anderson that Ephraim City agrees to provide the flood insurance for Lot #2 of the Ephraim Commercial Subdivision for up to one year. Seconded by Kim Cragun, motion carries unanimously. Darin Cummings

also requested that Ephraim City send the money for the cost of the gas installation to Questar so that his builders may continue.

Video Gallery: The buyers of Lot #1 of the Ephraim Commercial Subdivision have asked for an extension of time until June 4, 2004 to close. They are having the same problem as Darin Cummings with their property being in a flood zone, and they want to get it resolved prior to closing. Don Olson would like to make sure the earnest money is in a third party's hand before agreeing to the extension. Mayor Casperson suggests getting the earnest money so that there is no way that they can back out. Richard mentioned that the Video Gallery money is already in a third party's hand so they will go ahead with the extension.

Motion by Kim Cragun to approve the checks to Questar and Worthington Leavitt Insurance, seconded by Garth Sorenson. Motion carries unanimously.

Bishop's Storehouse: Dr. Bateman gave a presentation to use the Bishop's Storehouse for a clinic for patients who don't have insurance. He would like to have a website that patients can log onto to make appointments and to communicate with him via email about their symptoms. He would like to make a way for people to be able to afford health care even if they can't afford to pay the bill by allowing them to settle the difference with Dr. Bateman by offering their service at the clinic or in the community. He already has some partners including Health Insight, IHC services, Sanpete Valley Hospital, and the University of Utah Head of Department of Community and Family Medicine. Dr. Bateman would like to have his practice in Ephraim because there are a lot of uninsured people. He would like to use the Bishop's Storehouse for his clinic because it gives an image of self-help, which fits with his concept, it is a great location, and they want to help with the restoration of the building. Dr. Bateman proposes that Ephraim City first do those things that will make the building sound, maintain the grounds, and help put in a parking lot behind the building. He would like to pay 2 years rent in advance toward the city repairs that might need to be done to get the building ready. He proposes minimal structural changes inside. He would like to know if he can use the building within the next month, but he wouldn't actually need to be into the building until somewhere between July and December. Before deciding, Ephraim City will contact the other 3 parties who have submitted proposals to see if they are still interested in the Bishops Storehouse. Garth proposes making a decision by May 19, 2004.

### **Council/Committee Reports**

Richard Anderson: The city has had two OSHA recordable accidents. One of the power employees drilled his finger which required a doctor's visit. Also, another employee fell down the stairs on the east side of the building resulting in injuries to his hand and shoulder.

Bryan Kimball: The Planning Commission approved the "Ephraim City" signs.

Penny Kittlesrud: The Cemetery Committee met last week and will meet again to discuss building a new gazebo. Since it won't be ready by Memorial Day they want to make sure that the \$12,000 that was budgeted is reserved for next year.

Don Olson: Ephraim City Library received a grant and they want to hire an architect. Don Olson told them to work through Richard Anderson. They would like to raise 2 million dollars for the restoration project.

Ephraim City needs to get with Ronde Larsen on the controlled fire burn. There are concerns about burning one of the houses because it may contain asbestos and lead paint.

Don has measured the ball fields and they are bigger than they appeared on the diagrams. In order to light the fields completely, they will have to add some lights. Otherwise, they will have some dark spots. A company in Salt Lake will give them a bid both ways. There may be problems with the ASA when they want to have certified tournaments here, if there are dark spots. He would like to light the fields completely the first time rather than going back and doing it later.

Kim Cragun: In the past Ephraim City has always tried to put up new flags every year out at the cemetery for the Scandinavian Festival. Kim Cragun says that we have a lot of flags, but he is not sure what size they are, or where they are. Garth says that there are some flags in the basement.

Jannie Anderson: As promised in the newsletter, the tree list is available at the front window of the city building. Jannie attended a meeting at the library with Bob Young from the University of Utah and his grant writers' class. This was a field exercise for the class. It was enjoyable and helped everyone in attendance better understand Ephraim.

Chad Parry and his crew are removing, replanting, and rearranging the trees on the south side of Wal-Mart. The city will provide 2 large garbage containers for city cleanup, both of which will be parked by the new fire station from April 23 to May 8.

Garth Sorenson: JUB Engineering has started on the general plan. June Crane is moving and will need somebody to replace her on the Planning and Zoning Committee. Marge Anderson spoke to Garth about cleaning up underneath the grates in the gutter. Don will find out who is responsible to clean them out, the Irrigation Company or Ephraim City. USU extension has put some drawings together for the Canyon View Park. Garth would like to try and get a community committee together to organize labor and effort. Kim suggests including the parks and recreation committee.

Mayor Casperson: Mayor contacted Mt. Pleasant and they are not going to do anything for the returning of the soldiers because they really don't know when they will be back. They will honor them in July and will contact us at that time.

Executive Session: Motion by Don Olson to go into Executive session, seconded by Garth Sorenson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Don Olson, seconded by Kim Cragun to adjourn the meeting.

Adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

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Morris O. Casperson - Mayor

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