

**EPHRAIM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EPHRAIM CITY BUILDING
5 S. MAIN
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2004
7:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Morris O. Casperson, Mayor

Garth Sorenson
Don Olson
Janette Anderson
Kim Cragun

Penny Kittelsrud was excused.

Mayor Casperson called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

OTHERS PRESENT

E. Richard Anderson

Bryan Kimball
Mechel Christensen

PUBLIC SESSION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council reviewed the minutes for the May 5, 2004 City Council meeting. Corrections were noted.

Mr. Olsen moved to approve the minutes for the May 5, 2004 City Council meeting as corrected. Seconded by Mr. Sorenson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council approved the Warrant Register of May 19, 2004. Mr. Sorenson questioned the purchase of five Fuji cameras. Mr. Anderson explained that the cameras are for each police car.

Mr. Sorenson moved to approve the Warrant Register of May 19, 2004. Seconded by Mr. Cragun. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Ray Poulsen, owner of Copy Qwest, addressed the Council regarding beautifying the street his business is on by adding an antique clock. Bryan Kimball suggested lining the clock up with the streetlights. The Council suggested checking with UDOT on this matter.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON BEN GORDON SHINGLE MILL SUBDIVISION

The Council addressed Bryan Kimball on this matter. Bryan explained that this is Phase II of this development and presented the Council with a plat of the development. Bryan explained that Mr. Gordon would like to insure that he has ample time to complete the curb and gutter before construction.

Mr. Sorenson asked if there was a master street plan for that area of the city. He expressed concern about developing through streets in order to insure that additional access can be developed. Mayor Casperson stated that the Post Master also brought up this issue. Mr. Sorenson suggested bringing in Ben Gordon to discuss planning streets in the development. Mr. Anderson presented the Council with the Ephraim City Master Transportation book which included a map of the area in question. There was discussion on street planning.

Mayor Casperson suggested discussing this issue in a work session. Mr. Olsen felt that this would be misleading to Mr. Gordon if it the second phase of this project was not approved.

Mr. Olsen moved to approve Phase II, lots 6 through 14 in the Ben Gordon Shingle Mill Subdivision. Seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. Sorenson questioned if this action was feasible. Bryan stated that he felt that there were other options.

The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mr. Sorenson asked Bryan to question Mr. Gordon on what street planning he was going to incorporate into the subdivision.

THE COUNCIL MOVED TO A PRESENTATION BY MUSCO LIGHTING

Mr. Olsen introduced Shane White from Musco Lighting. Mr. White explained his company's lighting procedures. A representative of Snow College addressed the Council. He explained that the college approached Musco Lighting because of the quality of the company and longevity of the system.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON BISHOP'S STOREHOUSE PROPOSALS

Mayor Casperson explained that a letter had been received from Dr. Bateman stating that he would like his proposal to be withdrawn. Mr. Anderson explained that with the two bid withdrawals that Peggy Layton's proposal was the only bid submitted.

Mrs. Anderson stated that selling the building may impact the Ephraim Square project negatively. She suggested reducing the size of the lot if the decision is made to sell.

Mr. Olson moved to lease the Bishop's Storehouse building to Peggy Layton for \$500.00 plus utilities and the City will be responsible for the property taxes. Seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson questioned the repair situation on the building. Richard explained that the hazardous situation had been removed. He suggested having the lease holder responsible for any wiring required for equipment. He explained that the plumbing functions and if it needed to be improved it should be the lease holder's responsibility. Mr. Anderson suggested deciding what responsibilities the city should have. He felt that other than the roof, all other responsibilities should be lease holder's.

Mayor Casperson suggested renegotiating after two years and offering the option to lease for an additional three years.

Mr. Olsen amended his motion to offer a two-year lease with an option to lease for the next three years. Mrs. Anderson maintained her second. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

Ron Rasmussen, Chief of Police, addressed the Council. He explained that this is an agreement between several cities that specifies who is ultimately responsible for costs incurred during disaster situations.

Mrs. Anderson moved to accept the Mutual Aid Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Sorenson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON 911 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANPETE COUNTY AND EPHRAIM CITY AND A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOSITION OF A 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SURCHARGE FEE

Mayor Casperson stated that there is a question about attaching a telephone surcharge fee. It was suggested that this be tabled for two weeks so that the Council can discuss this with the sheriff during their next meeting.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON FIRE DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS

Ronde Larson was invited to address the Council. Mayor Casperson stated that he felt that all concerns had been addressed in the by-laws. Mrs. Anderson questioned Section 6 wording. Richard stated that there are typos and wording problems in the document. There was concern with a member missing every meeting for six months. The Council suggested that at the end of six months, under 50% meeting attendance would

constitute dismissal and loss of benefits. This would apply to members receiving benefits. Members could not reapply for benefits for a full year. Richard Anderson questioned what was being done with the Board of Trustees. Ronde explained that this will be a board of officers meeting to set policy. Richard stated that having a Board of Trustees seems redundant and suggested eliminating Section 4.

Richard questioned term limits for officers. Ronde explained that the term limit would be for one year. Mr. Anderson stated that a one-year term seemed too short for the fire chief. Ronde suggested a five-year term. The Council felt that this should be dealt with internally.

Mrs. Anderson stated that verbiage would need to be changed. It was suggested that the officers meet and then present the document with changes to the Council.

DISCUSSION/DECISION AND PRESENTATION ON CANYON ROAD TRAFFIC SLOWING OPTIONS

Bryan Kimball addressed the Council. He explained that the themes he would present are standard in many other communities. He stated that he has not had the time to feel secure in giving an absolute recommendation.

Bryan first gave information on traffic calming measures. Information presented to the Council is attached to the minutes. There was discussion on snowplow effectiveness. Bryan stated that he favored the speed table because it is cost effective with good traffic calming effects. The Council discussed placement options of the speed tables.

Stop sign options were then discussed. Bryan stated that he would not completely eliminate a stop sign on the corner but he felt that a series of stop signs would not be effective.

Non-Construction Traffic Management options were then discussed. These were resident education tools.

Bryan suggested striping the roads and implementing a bike trail and a walking path to aid in safety measures. He suggested going through a formal process with a traffic count to determine which traffic calming measures to implement.

Mr. Olsen explained that large trucks that will be traveling in the area during the summer and they may help slow traffic. Mrs. Anderson felt that any measures taken at this time would be inappropriate because of the trucks that will be in the area.

A citizen suggested at least putting in some stop signs to help control speed. Ron Larsen was questioned on the possibility of a stop sign on the corner at 3rd East and Canyon Road. He stated that a stop sign at that location was not good traffic management. However, he did not have a personal problem with a stop sign.

Mr. Olson suggested putting in speed humps that could be easily removed. Ron questioned changing speed limits in the area as decided in a previous meeting. It was explained that this had been completed.

Bryan stated that any physical controls needed to have traffic signs in order to prevent liability problems. He also suggested having approval from the citizens in the area before any physical control measures were implemented.

Mr. Olson suggested producing a letter from the city to the residents asking them not to use the road as a walking path during the construction. Mr. Sorenson suggested also putting this information on the radio.

A citizen requested a streetlight. Mr. Sorenson stated that in training it was explained that resident lighting was more effective.

PRESENT BUDGET FOR LIGHT PARADE AND APPROVE CONCERT AND CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND DECORATIONS

Penny Cartwright addressed the Council. She gave history to the Council on how the Light Parade evolved. She requested \$3,000.00 in budget monies. This is the same amount budgeted for their program as last year. She has contacted the Bar J Wranglers and they are willing to perform. She feels that she will have more time this year to advertise and arrange for sponsors to bring in more funds. She explained that the monies received from the Bar J Wranglers concert should pay for the event and any leftover funds would go toward purchasing more decorations. She also requested extra money to purchase more decorations.

She explained that more will be charged for tickets this year to cover cost deficiencies. The Mayor suggested budgeting \$7,500.00 for the Bar J in revenue and \$7,500.00 for the Bar J in expenses in addition to the requested \$3,000.00 in budget monies.

MARK PERSCHON – DISCUSSION/DECISION ON CITY CONTRACT

Mr. Cragun declared a conflict of interest in this matter.

Mark Perschon addressed the Council. He gave history to the Council on the sprinkler system at the cemetery. He has had to hire extra help to make sure that things get watered. He would like to expedite fixing the sprinklers so that the extra money would not need to be spent. Mr.

Anderson stated that a contractor needs to redo the wiring. Chad has contacted two specialists to rewire the sprinkling system. Mr. Anderson stated that things should be moved forward to fix the problem.

Mr. Perschon also discussed the Ephraim Square/Bishop's Storehouse grounds. He stated that the Bishop's Storehouse was not part of the walk through and was not included in the contract. Mr. Anderson asked if the city signed the contract. Mark stated that in the contract that he signed the city has included the Bishop's storehouse, but he had not received a signed copy from the city.

The Mayor suggested having Layton in charge of the grass. Mr. Perschon stated that he thought that Cheryl had been watering the grass and maintaining the rock garden. Mr. Anderson suggested adding this information to the contract.

Mark drew the Council's attention to page 10, Item 3 of the contract. He stated that the work is being done for the same amount as in 1996 and gasoline and fertilizer have both gone up. He requested an increase of \$1,530.00 per year. He stated that this would not cover gasoline and fertilizer but it is all that he can ask for per the contract in place.

Mr. Olsen moved to follow the contract and give a 3% raise for the 2004 calendar year to be paid out over the last six months of the year. Seconded by Mr. Sorenson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mr. Anderson asked for clarification concerning the Public Safety Building and the landscaping. He wondered why the Public Safety Building was included in the contract if Mark was not going maintain the building. Mark stated that if the landscaping is done correctly that there should not be any maintenance. Mr. Olsen suggested getting in touch with Chad to do the spraying and weed eating.

Mrs. Anderson requested that the work be completed by the Fire Safety Open House.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ON BID AWARD FOR BALLPARK LIGHTS

Bids were received from Musco Lighting and Universal Sports Lighting. Mrs. Anderson asked what Musco Lighting would be willing to change to make the cost comparable to the other received bid. Shane White suggested comparing job services in both bids. He stated that removing the lamp visors would subtract \$20,000.00 from the bid.

Richard explained that there are suggested steps that the bidders to make presentations to the Council to ensure that opportunity. Richard equated

to arrange a conference call or meeting with Universal Sports Lighting and the Council.

The Council decided to contact Universal Sports Lighting before this matter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Sorenson reported that Dean Cox has agreed to head up the Canyon View park committee and is in the process of enlisting committee members.

~~Mrs. Anderson reported that she had been charged by the Mayor that he could attend the picnic.~~

Mrs. Anderson developed a resolution to apply for Preserve America's Community Designation and presented it to the Council.

Mrs. Anderson moved to approve ECR-04-01 to apply for Preserve America's Community Designation. Seconded by Mr. Sorenson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

~~Mr. Cragun bid for the Holly Smith and Lisa Frame for \$500,000 with the business license fee included, and 10% of the net profit.~~

Mr. Cragun moved to accept the bid from Holly Smith and Lisa Frame for concessions at the four-plex ball fields. Seconded by Mrs. Anderson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mr. Sorenson motioned to move into Executive Session to discuss Planning Commission appointments. Seconded by Mr. Olson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present in the Executive Session were Mayor Casperson, Garth Sorenson, Janette Anderson, Kim Cragun, Don Olson, and Richard Anderson. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Zoning appointments.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Olson moved to move out of Executive Session. Seconded by Mr. Sorenson. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

ADJOURN

**Mr. Olson moved to adjourn at 11:30 PM. Seconded by Mr. Cragun.
The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.**

MINUTES APPROVED:

Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Recorder

Date