

**MINUTES OF THE EPHRAIM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EPHRAIM CITY BUILDING
5 S. MAIN
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2011
7:00 PM**

The Ephraim City Council convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT

David Parrish, Mayor
Kim Cragun, Mayor Pro Tem
Greg Dart
Terry Lund
Don Olson
Richard Squire

STAFF PRESENT

Regan Bolli, City Manager
Bryan Kimball, City Planner
Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder
Ron Rasmussen, Police Chief
Kerry Steck, Fire Chief

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

See attached.

Mayor Parrish called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Cragun offered an opening prayer. Councilmember Squire led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC SESSION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council reviewed the minutes of the April 27, 2011 City Council meeting.

Councilmember Dart moved to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2011 City Council meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cragun. A roll call vote was taken: voting “yes” Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of May 16, 2011.

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the warrant register of May 16, 2011 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. A roll call vote was taken: voting “yes” Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Abraham Hundepool was present to discuss amount of money donated to the Central Utah Arts Center by the City. He doesn't feel it is necessary to donate so much money to

an organization that shows no return to the community, and feels the donation should be withdrawn.

Mayor Parrish commented that art is important to many and the CUAC's contribution to the community is a matter of opinion. He expressed appreciation for the excellent comments and reported that this issue has been a topic of discussion in the budget meetings, and will continue to be so.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: LDS CHURCH AND BHD ARCHITECTS—NEW STAKE CENTER AT APPROXIMATELY 95 NORTH 100 EAST

Mayor Parrish placed a telephone call to Mike Davey at BHD Architects as he was unable to attend the meeting in person. Mr. Davey has received recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the plans to build the LDS church meetinghouse as submitted, with design changes as listed in the Planning Commission documents.

Planner Kimball went over the conditions with the Council and added that he and Mr. Davey walked the property with Public Works Director, Chad Parry and a representative from the Church to see what curb, gutter and sidewalk needs to be replaced. Much, if not all, will be replaced around the three sides of the property.

Mr. Davey addressed some of the questions brought up in the previous meeting including colors and design, steeple height, drainage, and whether to have a sidewalk connecting church property to the college. The Church is looking into what can be allowed for an historical monument or marker. The possibility of arched windows was looked into as a way to match some of the college buildings, but the Church feels it wouldn't match with the height of the walls.

The trees on 100 East will be kept, except possibly one for the driveway location.

Councilmember Dart moved to accept Planning and Zoning's recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit for the LDS Church Stake Center at 95 N 100 E. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Squire. A roll call vote was taken: voting "yes" Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT—CHIEF KERRY STECK

Chief Steck informed the Council he will have budget plans prepared for three years and five years to be submitted to the Council in the near future.

All firefighters have been notified they are on the call list if flood emergencies arise.

Chief Steck feels the Department is in good shape with 23 firefighters, 10 of whom have cleared Wild Land Certification. Money received from the County fluctuates depending on how many volunteers are Wild Land Certified.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: KARA BUTCHER—DAYCARE AT 142 NORTH 200 WEST

The Planning Commission and Staff have recommended approval of the daycare based on compliance of all state laws.

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Kara Butcher to open a Daycare located at 142 North 200 West as recommended by the Planning Commission, based on compliance of State laws. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. A roll call vote was taken: voting “yes” Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF A LITERACY FAIR FOR THE LIBRARY

Councilmember Cragun declared a conflict of interest. Jan Cragun is finishing her senior project from Utah State University and has decided to have a literacy fair. Mrs. Cragun Contacted Councilmember Dart and Librarian, Betsy Erickson for discussions regarding the fair. The fair will be held on July 16th at the Library and Heritage Park which is on the Library grounds. The night before, a workshop will be held for parents in the upstairs of the Co-op. One of the elementary school teachers who specializes in literacy will be there to help out.

Sponsors are in place and all proceeds will go towards the fair. It is planned that every family attending will receive a free book. Mrs. Cragun is currently working with a book company who has promised a 50 cent donation for every dollar raised in sponsorship. \$300 has been raised so far. This will be something worthwhile for the City and the children in Ephraim.

Mrs. Cragun asked to borrow awnings for the fair as it will be hot.

Councilmember Lund moved to approve the Literacy Fair for the Library planned by Jan Cragun as her senior project for USU, and to use the Co-op, The Library, Heritage Park and City Awnings. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Squire. A roll call vote was taken: voting “yes” Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF A GATE IN A CITY FENCE ON SHARED PROPERTY AT APPROXIMATELY 82 WEST CENTER

Denny Parry lives at 82 West Center with the Oliver property they just sold on the west side. He has been using a Right of Way behind their house for his trucks. The new owner would like to build a garage that would obstruct that road into Mr. Parry’s property. He has a deed to a joint ROW with the City behind that property, 14 feet north of the south fence of the City property there. He would like a gate on that fence so that he can exit through that ROW.

Concern was expressed that some people might park in front of the gate. If it became a problem, a “no parking” sign could be posted on the gate. Mr. Parry would be willing to

match the chain link fence that is there now, and the gate would be installed at his expense.

Councilmember Olson moved to approve a gate in the fence at Mr. Parry's expense and maintenance, with a written agreement in place with the City. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dart. A roll call vote was taken: voting "yes" Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ECR 11-05—RESOLUTION FOR THE DISPOSAL OF CITY PERSONAL PROPERTY

Councilmember Dart moved to adopt ECR 11-05 with the correction to Exhibit A to include 22 bikes rather than 12. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. A roll call vote was taken: voting "yes" Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ECO 11-02—ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FILING FEE IN CONNECTION WITH FILING A DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE

Councilmember Squire moved to Adopt ECO 11-02—an ordinance establishing a filing fee in connection with filing a declaration for candidacy for elective office. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dart. A roll call vote was taken: voting "yes" Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Terry Lund

Cemetery Board—The Memorial Day program been changed from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. to accommodate Manti's program.

Councilmember Lund moved to approve Amy Noblett and Jack Anderson as members of the Cemetery board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Olson. A roll call vote was taken: voting "yes" Councilmembers Dart, Lund, Olson, Cragun, and Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

Richard Squire

Rec Board—The new Rec Director is Phil Murray. Things are going fairly smoothly.

Greg Dart

Emergency Info—Text the word "Ephraim" to 77948 to get flooding updates. Mayor Parrish commented that a lot of interest was shown for this project at the Mayor's and Commissioner's meeting. A Richfield radio station called wanting a comment regarding that program.

Scandinavian Festival—A Memorandum of Understanding has been finalized between Snow College and the City regarding the Festival. Councilmember Dart and Gary Anderson drafted it.

Library Board—names will be discussed tonight in closed session.

News Letter—items are due by Monday

Bryan Kimball

Water Tank—There is a lot of rebar on the ground waiting to go in. All should go take a look. The floor will be poured on Friday or Monday. Councilmember Olson recommended putting up a sign to announce the new water tank.

Regan Bolli

Grant—Regan met with the Division of Water Quality and went over funding for the sewer project. They recommend rates be increased to what the Master Plan has set at \$23.50. The City has an existing loan with them and a plan was worked out to consolidate the two loans into a 15 year loan at 3% interest allowing us to keep our rates lower. Regan feels its in the best interest of the City to combine the loans so rates will not have to go above \$23.50. If two separate loans were obtained, we would have to raise the rates.

Mayor Parrish expressed deep appreciation for the excellent job the City Manager is doing.

Mayor Parrish

Comments—The cemetery looks the best it has in a long time.

The leaders for the Youth City Counsel have asked to be replaced. We also need a replacement for Gary Anderson for the Scandinavian Festival.

Councilmember Lund moved the Council adjourn into a closed session pursuant to the provisions of sections 52-4-205(a) for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dart. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

Councilmember Olson moved the Council adjourn the closed session and reopen the public meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Cragun moved the meeting adjourn at p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Squire. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on June 1, 2011, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council room.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Date