

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
JANUARY 8, 2020
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, in the City Council Room. Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

Wayne Jenkins offered an invocation. Joe Nielson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Scott, Mayor
Margie Anderson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tyler Alder
Alma Lund
Greg Boothe
Richard Wheeler

STAFF PRESENT

Shaun Kjar, City Manager
Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder
Bryan Kimball, Community Dev.
Steve Widmer, Financial Director
Chad Parry, Public Works Director
Cory Daniels, Power Director
Aaron Broomhead, Police Chief

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Tyler Alder, Alma Lund and Richard Wheeler were sworn in by the City Recorder for four-year terms with the City Council.

PIONEER PARK PROJECT

Sarah Thomas and Ron Snowdon reported that most cities in Sanpete County have nice museums. Ephraim has historical houses, but no museum that is open and available to the public. The Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and the Sons of the Utah Pioneers believe it would be beneficial to have the Ephraim museum open and available more than one day a year. DUP has many artifacts that have been donated to them that are now stored in the Hansen House and the two cabins in the park. Not a lot of care has been given to these sites. Their goal is to update the sites to make them safe and public-friendly.

Ron Snowdon is a renowned engineer and has helped with many restoration projects. A committee has been created to work on this project. They plan to finance the project with private donations matched with a \$20,000 grant from the Mormon Pioneer Historic Foundation. The total project would be about \$62,000, contingent on volunteers. Many citizens of Ephraim have volunteered to help. Ron would be the project supervisor, and Bob Oliver would be assisting and working with the City and Volunteers. Any donations would be tax deductible. They would like to put in sidewalks that would connect the Hansen House, the cabins and the granary. The goal is to complete the project this summer.

Councilmember Anderson made a motion of support allowing the committee to move forward on their project as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of January 7, 2020.

Councilmember Boothe moved to approve the January 7, 2020 Warrant Register as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council reviewed the minutes of the December 18, 2019 Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meetings.

Councilmember Wheeler moved to approve the December 18, 2019 Council Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ANGLE PARKING

Bryan Kimball has done some research regarding on-street parking as discussed in the last Council Meeting as well as the snow plow ordinance and how that affects some of the apartments complexes that rely on on-street parking for their residents. Some apartments had originally been approved with the plan to have residents angle park on the street. The parking ordinance was changed multiple times over the last decade. They may have complied with the ordinance at the time of approval and are grandfathered in. Pioneer Hall specifically, are short 23 off-street spaces. Shaun suggested as research is continued to also look into semis with full trailers.

DANISH FIELD PLAT APPROVAL

Phase 3 of Danish Fields is up for final approval. The entire subdivision was originally approved by the Council at the beginning of the project. There are 14 lots in this Phase. Planning commission has given approval on condition of following staff recommendations. The actual Mylar is in the mail and will be received shortly. Staff feels all issues have been resolved. A letter of credit from the bank was received today. Staff recommends approval on condition of a final legal review of credit.

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve final approval of Phase 3 for Danish Fields Subdivision on condition of final review of credit completed satisfactorily. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION ECR 20- 01

ECR 20-01, a resolution updating the Consolidated Fee Schedule to include fees for time spent on records requests.

Councilmember Wheeler moved to approve ECR 20-01, a resolution updating the Consolidated Fee Schedule to include fees for the Police Department as stated. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Boothe. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Tyler Alder

Recreation Board – Big thanks to Shaun and the Rec Board for putting on a New Year’s Eve party.

Margie Anderson

Youth City Council – They are preparing for a talent show at the Senior Center. They will be attending Legislative Day on the hill.

State Legislative Liaison – Margie will be attending the Legislative Committee meetings held by the Utah League of Cities and Towns whether in person or by broadcast.

Greg Boothe

Library Board – Welcomed the new board member. They are working on new programs, improving staff relations and funding. They will be taking a virtual reality program to the public schools. It can also be used in rest homes, for therapy for PTSD and trauma victims. They would like to increase their budget for the overdrive system for eBooks and paying for that service.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Bryan Kimball, Community Development Director

Well Project – Water rights and land have come through, we are ready to move forward on that.

Subdivision – We are working on the next phase for Ben Gordon.

Aaron Broomhead, Chief of Police

Legal – Aaron encouraged the Council to be open to the idea of hiring on a City Attorney. On the 22nd Chase Andrizzi will be here to answer questions.

New Year’s – a lot of the officers were out that night.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Council Meeting - Because of New Year's being on the first Wednesday, the second meeting for January will be held on the 22nd.

Vehicles – We are in the process of getting vehicles repairs from deer hits. Three vehicles from the Police Department will be receiving repairs.

New Market – Daniel from Payson will have meat, vegetables and fruit in a little Spanish market where Anderson Drug used to be. They will hold an open house with free tacos in a week or two.

Malena's – Malena's is changing to Jose's with an open house on Saturday.

Ferguson Group – They are consistently working on funding projects for us. Met with them about focuses for Community Development and a few other projects.

Planner - Devan and Carlie are having a baby tonight.

Library - One of the benefits of Library Director, Lori Voshall, being full time at the library is that she is now there for the early crew and the late crew transition.

Impact Fees - Sunrise Engineering will be here on the 22nd to discuss impact fees and suggested increases, and have given packets for the Council to review.

Security - We will be installing a camera in the Council Room for City Council Meetings. Live Link is something to look at with that system.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Alder moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:16 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council room.

MINUTES APPROVED:

John Scott, Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder

Date