

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
MARCH 18, 2020
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, in the City Council Room. Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

At the invitation of the Mayor, Councilmember Lund offered an invocation and Councilmember Anderson 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

STAFF PRESENT

Shaun Kjar, City Manager
Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder
Bryan Kimball, Community Dev.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Richard Wheeler

PRESENTATIONS

Shaun Kjar reported Granary Art Center applied for a grant to repair the roof. Almost immediately they were awarded \$9,100. City hall, Granary Art Center and the Library will all need new rooves in the next budget year. Shaun also commented the Bishop's Storehouse is grandfathered in to being on the historic register.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of March 17, 2020.

Councilmember Lund moved to approve the March 17, 2020 Warrant Register as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Boothe. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council reviewed the minutes of the February 19, 2020 Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meetings.

Councilmember Alder moved to approve the February 19, 2020 Council Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

RAP TAX

An amount of 0.1%, which is one penny on \$10 spent, would be the amount residents would have to pay should a RAP Tax pass. Money received by the City would go to arts, parks and recreation in the following increments: 10% to arts, 70% to Recreation and 20% to parks.

Councilmember Alder moved to approve allowing a RAP Tax on the November ballot. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Boothe. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

SKATE CLUB

A lot of interest has been shown in a skate park in Ephraim. Ideas to raise money include checking the capital improvements budget, grants, and challenging the Snow Skate Club to fundraise a good chunk of it.

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve a skate park for the City under recommendations of the Recreation Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

RECREATION STRATEGIC PLAN

Tyler commented Michael and the Recreation Board have worked very hard on the Strategic Plan. It has been needed for a long time.

Councilmember Boothe moved to approve the Recreation Strategic Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

BEN GORDON SUBDIVISION PLAT

Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the final plat for Ben Gordons' Country Dream Estates Subdivision with recommendations by Planning and Zoning. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM

The plan is approved on an annual basis according to state law.

Councilmember Boothe moved to approve the 2019 Municipal Wastewater Planning Program. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

CANCELLATION OF CITY EVENTS

These events can be scheduled for a later date if determined at that time.

Councilmember Anderson moved to cancel the Scandinavian Festival, the Memorial Day Program, and the Lion's Club Easter Egg Hunt and associated events for 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Boothe. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Tyler Alder

Cemetery – The Board will install a flagpole at the Pioneer Cemetery. Flags will go up for Memorial Day.

Margie Anderson

State Legislative Liaison – The League has some good information on their website from this legislative session.

Greg Boothe

Scandinavian Festival – The first and last meeting was held.

Library Board – The Library is closed.

Alma Lund

Fire Board – Jeff Hermansen is continuing in his previous position as Assistant Fire Chief. Aaron Broomhead will be the Public Safety Coordinator. Mayor Scott pointed out this is a method that has been used in many other cities and is popular in rural cities so that both Police and Fire fit under that umbrella.

Mayor Scott

Mayor's and Commissioner's Meeting. The Health Department was there and spoke about Covid-19 to explain what we are looking at and where we hope to go.

Councilmember Lund moved to cancel Council Meetings for March and April, unless needed. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. the motion carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Covid 19 – There is a Federal Funding Package to assure funding. We had hoped that if people were missing hours because of the pandemic, we could tally those hours and that would be part of the relief. It was taken out of the bill.

Work goes on – people are working from home

We are waiving late fees for utilities and halting shutoffs during this crisis.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Alder moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED:

John Scott, Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder

Date