

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
MARCH 7, 2018
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, March 7, 2018, in the City Council Room. Mayor Squire called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

Councilmember Boothe offered an invocation. Councilmember Alder led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Marcus Gilson, City Attorney
Bryan Kimball, Community Dev.
Steve Widmer, Financial Director
Chad Parry, Public Works Director
Aaron Broomhead, Police Chief

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Crowther – The United States has been downgraded under the Bush and Obama Administrations. He talked about his concerns regarding socialism and said that Utah is one of the most licensed states in the nation. He asked that Ephraim rescind their licensing policy and leave it to the state. He also protested the Franchise Tax as consumers are not franchised to the City.

PRESENTATIONS

No presentations scheduled.

MOTION AGENDA

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of March 6, 2018.

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the March 6, 2018 Warrant Register as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Scott, Boothe, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

ANNEXATION PETITION APPROVAL: JACK BAILEY

Mr. Bailey has petitioned for annexation for property SE of town. Approval tonight is acceptance of that petition, not annexation.

Councilmember Alder moved to accept the Bailey Annexation Petition to annex 1.5 acres and a boundary line adjustment. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Scott, Boothe, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ANNEXATION PETITION APPROVAL: WES THOMPSON

The property to be annexed is currently part in and part out of the City. It is located at the west part of town, at approximately 500 West 100 N.

Councilmember Wheeler moved to accept annexation petition from Wes Thompson to annex 2.36 acres at approximately 500 W 100 N. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Boothe. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Scott, Boothe, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION AGENDA

RESOLUTION ECR 18-02: WATERSMART GRANT

ECR 18-02, a resolution fulfilling a requirement of the WaterSMART Drought Response Program.

Councilmember Scott moved to approve ECR 18-02, a resolution fulfilling requirement for grant application. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Scott, Boothe, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Tyler Alder

Cemetery – The Board will make a decision about getting flags ordered next week and they will get ready for Memorial Day.

Recreation Board – Soccer starts this weekend. Quite a few younger kids signed up. Track and Field is getting ready to go as well. The Board toured some rec centers two weeks ago, but haven't met to discuss that trip yet.

Margie Anderson

Youth City Council – The Youth City Council will be helping again with the Scandinavian Days Fun Run. Last year they used Duct tape instead of paint on the roads, and they are wondering if they can paint. Tyler recommended field marking paint.

ECHA – They will be looking at 4 homes this year.

Richard Wheeler

Fire Department – Met last night and discussed implementation of an inspector I Class Module (40 hours). Six people have signed up for the class.

Senior Board – The front door has been fixed.

Greg Boothe

Scandinavian Festival – Trying to get access to good places to put things while the Science Building is being torn down. Anne was thinking about putting them up 100 N next to the median and Greg feels that would be a nightmare both for traffic and vendor access. Tyler suggested putting them in front of the suites. Snow doesn't want the public to use the restrooms. The whole access to Snow College is being more and more restricted.

John Scott

Airport Board – Jeremy Hallows is the new Airport Board Chair. An Airport Board meeting was held and a Manti City representative was there as well as the City Manager. Brant broke down what costs are on an annual basis for Ephraim, because we feel Manti is not keeping up with helping with funding. Ephraim spends roughly \$70,000 in employee time. The two councils are going to meet together to iron out the cost disparities between the cities and come to some zoning agreement in order to present a united front when approaching the County. We are not going to take away anybody's land, or shut down activities currently happening around the airport. If we need to expand, it will be expanded to the south and southwest.

Planning and Zoning – New housing applications are coming in. People are asking about multiple housing building. Getting ready for the industrial park.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chad Parry, Public Works Director

Water Supply – we are currently at 54% of our average water supply.

Conference – Attended Rural Water Conference and learned a lot. Ephraim took four awards, including best water system, best wastewater system, and best operator. Ephraim has done some good things.

Aaron Broomhead, Chief of Police

Officer Support – Thinking about a peer support program. Maggie Leavitt, family counselor, has agreed to be a Dept. on-call therapist with no contracts or MOU's. She has agreed to two free sessions per officer. After that we can start looking into where to go from there.

Misc. - Evidence Room is almost done, we are updating forms, getting a new scanner, and will be destroying a lot of evidence that has been there for a long time. The Chief read letters of appreciation that will be sent to Officer Krebs and Rick Rasmussen at Snow College.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Alder moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn. 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, March 21, 2018, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council room.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Date