

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
MAY 15, 2019
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, in the City Council Room. Mayor Squire called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

Councilmember Alder offered an invocation. Mayor Squire 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

Shaun Kjar, City Manager
Bryan Kimball, Community Dev.
Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder
Steve Widmer, Financial Director
Chad Parry, Public Works Director
Steve Cragun, Police Department

MOTION AGENDA

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of May 14, 2019.

Councilmember Alder moved to approve the May 14, 2019 Warrant Register as presented. 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.

CONTRACT: CITY MANAGER

Councilmember Scott moved to approve the contract for Shaun Kjar as Ephraim City Manager. 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.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Councilmember Scott expressed his concern regarding the excessive height of weeds on Main Street, as well as all over town. Code allows for 6” on Main Street and 12” off Main Street. When notification is given, the problem is generally taken care of. The Council would like to see Main Street cleaned up as much as possible before the Scandinavian Festival next weekend.

EPHRAIM CITY FLAG

Ephraim Middle School 6th grade has submitted ideas for a City Flag. Tara Daniels, their teacher, wished to show the students that progress is being made to that end. Shaun’s recommendation is that we hire a professional that could take our favorite ideas as option one, or option two, open them up city-wide. The Council pointed out that the students have put a lot of sweat and tears into this project and taking one of their ideas and having a professional make it into something for the City was the preferred option. What kind of time length would this flag remain the Ephraim Flag? Council was favorable of five years.

AGREEMENT: BRIAN AND DEBORAH JUDD

Bryan reviewed the purchase agreement that would include the purchase of land and water for the Ephraim City Industrial Park from Brian and Deborah Judd. There is money in the budget for this fiscal year. The purchase would include a little over 12 acres with 24 acre feet of water. It squares up the Industrial Park property, eliminating a hole right in the middle. Water rights come out of the existing Larsen well. There are three users of the well with the majority of shares owned by the City. The purchase agreement is in the amount of \$204,000 with two closings, one for land and one for water. The agreement was written by the City attorney. The water would be used for culinary water.

Bryan commented the price is fixed based on actual cost which gives more creditability to the deal. A hole in the middle of the park would cause problems in the future. Bryan recommended approval.

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement for land and water for the Ephraim City Industrial Park between Brian and Deborah Judd and Ephraim City contingent on there being no other written contracts with Brian Judd on the property that we need to be aware of. 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.

RESOLUTION AGENDA

RESOLUTION ECR 19-07: WASTEWATER PROGRAM

ECR 19-07, a resolution showing compliance to requirements set by the Water Quality Board for the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program for 2018.

Councilmember Boothe moved to approve ECR 19-07, a resolution showing compliance to requirements set by the Water Quality board for the Municipal Planning Program for 2018. 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.

APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Tyler Alder

Cemetery – A Memorial Day Ceremony will be held Monday at 10:00 a.m. at the cemetery. The flags will go up on the 22nd and stay up for one week.

Recreation Board – Baseball and Softball are going.

Margie Anderson

Miss Ephraim – There is a new Miss Ephraim. Brooke Powells and her sister Brittany have taken over as directors and will continue on for next year.

Richard Wheeler

Fire Department – Trying to expedite the delivery of the new fire truck. We could pick it up, but then the warranty does not come into effect on the way here. The Board decided against it. It will probably be the third week in June before it is here. The Board would like to hold an open house for the residents to be able to see it.

Senior Board – Want to get involved with some kind of a flag purchase for the cemetery and yards of returning veterans.

Greg Boothe

Scandinavian Festival – Ready to go next weekend. Met with Cory and went over power needs for the entertainment. The insert for the paper should be out next Wednesday.

Library Board – The Library Director applied for and received a virtual reality access and exposure grant and received virtual reality equipment with software. We are one of five libraries in the state to receive this technology. Lori has been busy writing new policies and preparing a survey to find out what public needs are for the library. She has also been working up another request for an addition to the library for visiting and

education rooms. Greg shared the Board's appeal to make the Director a full-time position.

John Scott

Airport Board – The dinner meeting went really well.

Planning and Zoning – A rezone application has been received requesting a change north of the plumbing store to Business Commercial.

The sign at the park was discussed. Bricks may be used. Decorative brick at the yard could also be used.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Bryan Kimball, Community Development Director

Well – The concrete seal has been capped and workers ran into problems with the gravel pack which cost them more time and money than expected. They have filed a change order to extend the time. Things are looking well. Plans are 95% complete. Once the State approves, we can go out to bid, hopefully next month.

CLOSED SESSION 7:20 P.M.

Councilmember Anderson moved to go into a closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Utah State Code, Section(s) 52-4-205(a), for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, (c) pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and (d) purchase, exchange, or lease of real property. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scott. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Scott, Boothe, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

At 9:15 p.m. Councilmember Scott moved the Council adjourn the closed session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council room.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Date