

**WORK MEETING MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL  
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH  
**JUNE 15, 2022**  
**5:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Ephraim City Council convened in a work meeting on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in the City Council Room. Mayor Pro Tem Alder Excused Mayor Scott and Councilmember Anderson and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tyler Alder,  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Alma Lund  
Lloyd Stevens  
Richard Wheeler

**STAFF PRESENT**

Shaun Kjar, City Manager  
Leigh Ann Warnock,  
City Recorder  
Bryan Kimball,  
Community Development  
Candice Maudsley,  
Treasurer

Jon Knudsen, Finance Dir.  
Jeff Jensen, Public Works  
Aaron Broomhead, Police  
Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief  
Michael Patton, Rec Dir.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Margie Anderson  
John Scott, Mayor

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**Fire Protection Services** – The Fire Protection Services fee will increase by \$1.00 as designated by the County Fire District.

**Sewer Rate Increase** – The Sewer base rate will be increased by \$3.00 from the current rate of \$30 to \$33 per month to cover the increased cost of materials and maintenance of the sewer system. A heavier increase occurs this year, with planned smaller increases yearly to get the rates where they need to be. The City is currently experiencing a deficit in this account.

**Water Rate Increase** – The water base rate will be raised by \$5.04 for residents and non-residents, and a 3% increase will also be added for each water usage tier. The rate will increase from a \$24.96 base rate to \$30.

**Power Rate Increase** – The power base rate will be increased from \$5.50 to \$7.50 for residential users, and each tier will also be increased by 1.2 cents per kWh. This fund has been increasingly short for the past three years. A utility rate study was conducted to make projections and suggestions for rate increases. This increase and subsequent smaller increases

over the next five years will help to cover that deficit. Costs of electricity have gone up substantially. Ephraim’s rate increases are conservative in comparison with like-sized cities.

**Budget Modifications** – ECR 22-06 approves the modifications to the 2021-2022 FY Budget. An additional transfer may need to be done for the year-end budget. A copy of the budget modifications is available for review in the Ephraim City offices.

**Transfer of Utility Funds** – The City will transfer funds from utility funds to the General Fund for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

**FY 2022-2023 Budget** – A copy of the 2022-2023 budget is available in the Ephraim city offices for review.

**Certified Tax Rate** – The Certified Tax Rate will be slightly lower than last year. The Ephraim City Certified Tax Rate for the fiscal year 2022-2023 will be .001357, and includes the following:

1. General Operations
2. Library Bond
3. Flood Control

**ADJOURN**

*There being no further discussion, Councilmember Lund moved the work meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

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John Scott, Mayor

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Date

**ATTEST:**

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Candice Maudsley, City Recorder

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Date