

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
NOVEMBER 3, 2021
6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, in the City Council Room. Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

At the invitation of the Mayor, Councilmember Alder offered an invocation. Councilmember Wheeler led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Scott, Mayor
Margie Anderson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tyler Alder
Alma Lund
Lloyd Stevens
Richard Wheeler

STAFF PRESENT

Shaun Kjar, City Manager
Brian Page, City Attorney
Leigh Ann Warnock, City Recorder
Bryan Kimball, Community Dev.
Devan Fowles, Planner
Steve Widmer, Financial Director
Jeff Jensen, Public Works Director
Cory Daniels, Power Director
Aaron Broomhead, Police Chief
Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief
Michael Patton, Rec Director

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment presented.

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD: LEMAR HANSON

LaMar Hanson has been a member of this community for nearly 50 years and has served on the Planning Commission for over 25 years. He also served many years on the City Council. Commended on his service and civic mindedness.

MANTI TRAIL BUILDERS UPDATE

Andy Adamson of Manti Trail Builders reported it has been five weeks since the bike race, resulting in positive economic impact. It was an amazing event that went off without a hitch. They plan to hire ten youth through the summer next year to help build trails. Gunnison is starting to plan race trails. A grant was received by Trail Builders who will keep busy building new trails and maintaining existing trails.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of November 2, 2021.

Councilmember Wheeler moved to approve the November 2, 2021 Warrant Register as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alder. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Steve Widmer reviewed the Ephraim City 3rd Quarter Financial Report.

Councilmember Anderson moved to accept the 3rd Quarter 2021 Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

ECO 21-07 Parking Regulations Amendment

Clarification of amendment of the current parking regulations ordinance, removing the word “motor” in front of vehicles obstructing the roads.

Councilmember Wheeler moved to Eco 21-07, Parking Regulations Amendment, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF OUTSIDE WATER CONNECTION MORATORIUM

There is currently a moratorium of outside water connections. Bryan reviewed new language for the ordinance identifying a map of service area, which is basically the City limits. New language for the ordinance prohibits any hookups outside of City limits with the exception of City-owned property. Existing outside water connections would be grandfathered in. Property owners outside City limits who wish to connect to City water, must annex before a connection would be granted.

APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Tyler Alder

Cemetery – Flags going out for Veterans Day. After Veterans Day, Scandinavian flags will be removed until spring, so they don’t wear out each year.

Recreation Board – RAP Tax Committee will meet on the 8th to discuss distribution of funds. Applications will be coming in for that.

Margie Anderson

Youth City Council – Many of the Youth helped with the Main Street Halloween Activity.

Richard Wheeler

Utilities Board – Spent the meeting discussing ordinance amendment for outside water connections.

Airport Board – Completed turnaround on south end of the runway making it a safer runway. Still waiting for some supplies that have been delayed due to COVID.

Senior Board – Alive and well and don't have enough of their members who want to come out and socialize to do meals yet. They are continuing with rentals and doing well financially.

Mayor Scott

Snow College Support – Met with Speaker of the House Brad Wilson and the Board of Trustees of Snow College looking forward to some of the ramifications of changes for Snow. It was a productive meeting, and he was encouraged by the State's support of Snow College.

Ephraim Temple – Met with the project manager for the Ephraim LDS temple. Much detail was discussed.

Mayors and Commissioners Meeting – Shaun attended the meeting. He reported they looked at the political landscape in the perspective of the staffer in terms of representatives of the State. Main takeaway, we are impacted by the winds that blow around the world. Talked about supply chain issues and hope that does not negatively impact projects in the City too much.

Airport Manager – Shaun spends an enormous amount of time managing the airport. We may have something worked out with Nephi's airport manager who could take on some of those responsibilities.

City Building Inspector – The County is becoming very busy and is not as attentive to things going on in Ephraim. We will look into perhaps hiring a part-time building inspector, or contracting out.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Cory Daniels, Power Director

New Generators – Emergency generators will be delivered next week. Power Department will install those generators.

Education – We have three guys at hotline school right now.

Jeff Jensen, Public Works Director

Emergency Response Plan – Updating Emergency Response Plan

Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief

Misc. – Reported on inspections and training. Two new firefighters. Friday and Saturday we will be hosting a 2-day class for inspector 1 throughout the County.

Steve Widmer, Finance Director

New Finance Director – Jon Knudsen introduction. Steve commented he is well-trained and ready to take over this position.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Alder moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 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