

PERRY CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING PERRY CITY OFFICES  
March 09, 2023

7:01 PM

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Jeppsen presided and conducted the meeting. Council Member Nathan Tueller, Council Member Blake Ostler (on-line), Council Member Dave Walker, Council Member Toby Wright, and Council Member Ashley Young.

OFFICIALS ABSENT:

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Robert Barnhill, City Administrator  
Scott Hancey, Chief of Police  
Zach Allen, Public Works Director (On-line)  
Bill Morris, City Attorney (On-line)  
Anita Nicholas, City Deputy Recorder

OTHERS PRESENT:

ON-LINE: Nelson Phillips (BENJ)

#### **ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeppsen welcomed everyone and called the City Council meeting to order.

#### **ITEM 2: PROCEDURAL ISSUES**

##### **A. Conflict of Interest Declaration**

None

#### **ITEM 3: ACTION ITEMS (Roll Call Vote)**

##### **A. Resolution 2023-05 Grant Proposal for County ARPA Funds**

Chief Hancey explained that after discussing and planning with city staff they agreed to request ARPA funds from Box Elder County. He said in order to submit the grant application they need to have an approval from City Council. Mayor Jeppsen explained that for the paperwork they only need a discussion in the minutes. He mentioned they chose to do this request by resolution because if they were to get the minutes dictated then approved it would take too long and they need to have the paperwork complete and available to submit the packet on Monday. Council Member Wright asked if this resolution was the same as the other recent request for ARPA funds. Mayor Jeppsen responded that it was a separate request from the one where we will use lobbyist to try and get state funds for the same project. Mayor Jeppsen then proceeded to tell them what he learned about the Box Elder County ARPA funds. He explained how Perry City might access these funds for use to assist with the cost of a portion of The Lodge city hall remodel.

**MOTION:** Council Member Tueller made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-05 Grant Proposal for County ARPA Funds. Council Member Wright seconded the motion.

Council Member Wright asked for clarification on a notation of a previous fund receipt. Mayor Jeppsen responded that the \$162,000 receipt was a contribution from Perry City to Box Elder County towards the business COVID funds (for small business grants), but it was later returned back to us.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Young, Yes  
Council Member Walker, Yes  
Council Member Ostler, Yes  
Council Member Wright, Yes  
Council Member Tueller, Yes

**Motion Approved. 5 Yes, 0 No**

#### **ITEM 4: MINUTES & COUNCIL/MAYOR REPORTS (INCLUDING COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS)**

##### **A. Approval of Consent Items**

- February 09, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes
- February 23, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Council Member Wright made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Council Member Walker seconded the motion.

**Motion Approved. All Council Members were in favor.**

##### **B. Mayor's Reports**

Mayor Jeppsen said he and Mr. Barnhill attended a meeting with representatives from Utah Transit Authority (UTA). He said the meeting was concerning SB-175 that the legislator passed in their last session. In particular, the second quarter tax that Perry City gives to UTA (each year) was the item Mayor Jeppsen addressed. He gave a quick description of this tax and mentioned that it will be on the agenda as an action item in the next City Council meeting. Basically the Front Runner and bus tax will change and another county transportation tax implemented. He mentioned that this was a positive thing and that they will receive more information about this at the next meeting.

##### **C. Council Reports**

Council Member Tueller wanted to publicly recognize the great snow removal job done by the Public Works Department employees. He recognized that on Facebook he had seen several positive comments from citizens about it. He mentioned there was a citizen that reached out to him to get an update about the new equipment and the mountain bike trail planned for Mountain View Park. This citizen said he read in the minutes of an idea that the city might consider subdividing and selling some of the property in this park for housing lots. He then showed on a map the area that may be feasible to create these building lots. He proposed that they use the proceeds of the property sale to go to the developing and building costs of the mountain bike trail. He expressed that the areas he pointed out that were not practicable to develop as a usable park. He felt this could enhance the area and be a great benefit to the city and its citizens. Mayor Jeppsen expressed that they may add this as a discussion item in a future meeting. Next Council Member Tueller mentioned that the equipment budget for the other side of the sewer treatment plant should be ready this month.

Council Member Ostler thanked Chief Hancey for putting together the ARPA fund grant application for the city. He was grateful for his efforts and willingness to give something like that a try and he hopes it will work.

Council Member Young remarked that it is less than a month before the annual city Easter Egg Hunt. She said that she'll keep them updated on it.

**D. Staff Comments**

None

**E. Planning Commission Report**

None

**ITEM 5: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None needed

**ITEM 6: ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Council Member Walker proposed to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion Approved. All Council Members were in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Shanna Johnson, City Recorder

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Kevin Jepps, Mayor

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Anita Nicholas, Deputy Recorder