OFFICIALS PRESENT:  Mayor Karen Cronin presided and conducted the meeting. Esther Montgomery, Todd Christensen, Peter Gerlach, Brady Lewis (acting as a non-voting member, until temporary residency addressed)

OFFICIALS EXCUSED:  Jana Nelson

CITY STAFF PRESENT:  Greg Westfall, City Administrator Malone Molgard, City Attorney Shanna Johnson, Chief Deputy Recorder Steven Downey, Patrol Officer

OTHERS PRESENT:  Travis Coburn, Tevin Coburn, Lani Braithwaite, Dave Asay, Rodney Terry, Jim Taylor, Jerry Nelson, Debbie Nelson, Nate Sumko

ITEM 1:  CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Cronin called the meeting to order.

A.  INVOCATION
Council Member Gerlach offered the invocation.

B.  PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Council Member Christensen led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C.  REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA
Council Member Gerlach suggested amending the agenda to add Item 2D – Presentation by UDOT.

MOTION:  Council Member Gerlach made a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of adding Item 2D – Presentation by UDOT.  Council Member Gerlach seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:  Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes Council Member Gerlach, Yes  Motion Approved.  3 Yes, 0 No.

ITEM 2:  PROCEDURAL ISSUES
A.  CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION
Council Member Lewis advised of a conflict as he is currently temporarily residing outside of city limits.  He stated this is being reviewed by the Lt. Governor’s office and he did receive a call from them today.  Malone Molgard advised that the City also received a call
from the Lt. Governor’s office and is awaiting their official written response, which should be received some time next week.

**B. PASS OUT WARRANTS TO COUNCIL MEMBERS (AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION)**

Shanna Johnson passed out the warrants. Mayor Cronin advised that there is an additional warrant for review and action for the purchase of a pipe locator that was not originally in the City Council Packet.

**C. BUSINESS LICENSE(S)**

**A. NS Auto**

Mayor Cronin advised this business license application was reviewed in the last meeting and is an Auto Sales business planned to be located at 1998 S Highway 89. She said there were questions regarding parking and whether or not there had been a current Fire Marshal inspection. She said that Nate Sumko was present to answer these questions and turned some time over to him.

Nate Sumko stated that in order to have a dealer’s license you must have a physical address. This business will serve as the physical location, and will not have many cars for sale. He explained that there are 3-7 parking stalls and he has not had a current Fire Marshal inspection. He advised that the last person to run a business was Ron Hoffman and it was for the same use.

**MOTION:** Council Member Gerlach made a motion to approve the business license for NS Auto contingent upon the completion of a compliant Fire Marshal inspection and report. Council Member Montgomery seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

- Council Member Christensen, Yes
- Council Member Montgomery, Yes
- Council Member Gerlach, Yes

**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.

**D. PRESENTATION BY UDOT REGARDING I-15 EXPANSION PROJECT**

Dave Asay and Rodney Terry provided a presentation on an upcoming UDOT project which will expand I-15 to 3 lanes from the Exit at 2700 South in Farr West to 1100 South in Brigham City. They estimate to begin construction in Fall of 2015 and work is scheduled to continue through the Fall 2016.

**ITEM 3: PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ORDINANCE 15-K AMENDING PERRY CITY MUNICIPAL CODE (PMC) 15.07 REGARDING LARGE ANIMALS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES**

Greg Westfall reviewed the proposed changes to the Ordinance stating that it removes the option of a conditional use permit in the R1/2, R1A, R1/3, R1, and R2 residential zones and adds the ability to have animals in the R1 and RE1/2 zone as long as there is 20,000 sq. ft of land. It outlines the number of animals allowed and refers residents to the Chicken Ordinance for the number of chickens allowed per lot. The Planning Commission has talked extensively about this and held a public hearing. They have recommended this come to the City Council for approval. Mayor Cronin said that she discussed this with one of the
Planning Commission members and one of the main reasons for the changes was due to a large number of citizens requesting the change.

**MOTION:** Council Member Montgomery made a motion to open a public hearing to discuss Ordinance 15-K Amending PMC 15.07 Regarding Large Animals in Residential Zones. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes  Council Member Gerlach, Yes  
**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.

**Jerry Nelson:** stated that he lives in the RE1/3 zones and owns more than 1 acre of land. He said that keeping up and track of it has been done by bringing in a horse to keep the grass down. If we completely remove this out of RE1/3 it removes his ability to do this and requested that we continue to allow large animals in these areas through conditional use permits and just tighten the conditions. He said if the City does this he can continue to have a horse and maintain his land. He again proposed leaving the ability to have large animals in the RE1/3 area and tighten up conditions or something in between the two options.

**B. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ORDINANCE 15-L AMENDING THE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR STATUTORY / APPOINTED OFFICERS**

Mayor Cronin explained that each year the City is required to hold a public hearing any time there is a change to the compensation rate of a statutory or appointed officer.

**MOTION:** Council Member Gerlach made a motion to close the public hearing regarding Ordinance 15-K and open the public hearing regarding Ordinance 15-L Amending the Compensation Schedule for Statutory / Appointed Officers. Council Member Montgomery seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes  Council Member Gerlach, Yes  
**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.

No Comments.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MOTION:** Council Member Montgomery made a motion to close the public hearing regarding Ordinance 15-L and open the meeting to public comments. Council Member Gerlach seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes  Council Member Gerlach, Yes  
**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.

**Lani Braithwaite:** reported that Jay Bywater graded 3450 South this spring and did an amazing job. In the past they have come through and graded it and within a month the pot holes came back. This time it lasted.
Travis Coburn: stated it came to his attention that the City was unable to obtain grant funds for the continuation of improvements along 900 West. He proposed that the City use B&C road monies to extend the improvements from 2390 South to 2325 South of 900 West, which is the narrowest and most dangerous section. He recommended no sidewalk due to the width of the road and stated this will most likely require the city purchase land from some land owners to widen the road.

Jerry Nelson: reported that he enjoyed watching the Tour of Utah bike race. He next stated that in the last council meeting policies and procedures were discussed that had to do with the Gun Range and it was stated that all of the newly proposed policies and procedures were going to be sent to the Gun Range Board for review. He said that the gun range board has not yet heard or received any of this information. He reported within 2-3 days of the Council meeting the Gun Range Board received new policies that had been enacted by Perry City and we were told that it was the Mayor who said they were to be implemented immediately by the Range Safety Officers. He said this has caused a lot of concern with some of the Safety Officers down there because we have not had a major training on these. He said a lot of these people are volunteers. He said this is very concerning and if this is indeed the case Perry City and the Mayor are in direct violation to Resolution 13-17. He said that this resolution states that all policies and procedures need to go through the Administrative Control Board for the Gun Range. He said what he would like to know from the City Attorney and the City Administrator and the City Council what is next. We are in violation of our own Resolution, our own Perry City policy and procedures. We are putting ourselves at risk. He said in the past if we do things illegally we pay. What happens if you do things illegally? He said we need a change.

Mayor Cronin stated Mr. Nelson had said “If this is indeed the case...” and Mayor Cronin said that his accusation was indeed not the case. She said that there were some policies and procedures that were requested of her by the Chief of Police to be enacted. She said that the policies and procedures discussed in the last meeting needed to be put in place in order to maintain proper insurance on the facility and are still under review. She said the Chief of Police came to her in mid July and asked that 2 policies be enacted immediately for the safety and protection of the facilities at the range. She said that the policies (not procedures) that he released had to do with the locking of the range. She said that he reported to her that there was a steel target (with a high end value) that had been removed from the range. She said he also told her that there were other items that had been removed and were missing. She said that we have 72 Range Safety Officers, all of which have codes that access the range. She said the Chief felt like that he needed to have more control of who went in and out and at what times so that he could ensure that targets and items don’t continue to disappear. She said that the other policy implemented had to do with having the Range Safety Officers give a 48 hour notice prior to going out to shoot at the range and requiring them to check out a key from the City office. She said one of the benefits of being a Range Safety Officer is that he/she can get private use of the range. She stated when the City has authorized to work at the range and while doing this work there have been Range Safety Officers come and start to shoot putting those people at risk. She said based on the Chief’s recommendation she authorized him to put in place a 48 hour window of which the Range Safety Officer would need to call and give advance notice of use of the gun range in an effort of coordination of city gun range maintenance needs with their use.
Mayor Cronin addressed Mr. Nelson’s concerns regarding violations of Resolution 13-17. She said he stated that the Resolution requires all policies and procedures go through gun range board and this is not true. She explained that Resolution 13-17 requires that any Standard Operating Procedures need to go before the Gun Range Board, not policy. She said that board is a recommending board, it does not have authority over anything that deals with insurance or money; that is a function that belongs to the City Council. Mayor Cronin stated the policies will be coming to the City Council once they are in the proper format and ready for action. She said that the Police Chief, Eric Halter, Greg Westfall, Shanna Johnson and herself have been working on these policies for about 6 weeks. It is not something we are trying to rush to pass and commented that the policies will be going to the Gun Range Board for review not necessarily for them to pass as they are policies. She said she is gathering input from them as a courtesy to them and to let them know what the City needs to do in order to limit the City’s liability at the facility. Mayor Cronin reported that she has been in contact with Utah Local Government Trust (the city’s insurance company) weekly to make sure that we have insurance. She stated the gun range is a huge liability to the City and in order to limit this liability we must ensure we have proper policies and procedures in place. She said that each policy that is being suggested has been discussed and vetted out heavily by the Police Chief, Eric Halter (the Chief Range Safety Officer), and herself. She stated she believes there may be an axe to grind over the issue, but it shouldn’t be with her.

Mayor Cronin asked if there were any other public comments.

**Steve Downey:** reported that he is a new officer, he works the grave yard shift and wanted everyone to know if they require any assistance from the Police Department to not hesitate to call. Mayor Cronin said Officer Downy does a great job for the City.

**Greg Westfall:** reiterated what the Mayor said stating that the Gun Range policies have been talked about with Chief Weese, Eric Halter, Shanna Johnson and himself and they will be discussed in the next Gun Range Board meeting for input prior to it coming to the Council for action. Mayor Cronin advised that the Chief of Police is the Chairman of the Gun Range Board and he has scheduled the next meeting for August 13, 2015. Shanna Johnson reported that Mayor Cronin, Chief Weese, Eric Halter and she are members of the Gun Range Board; therefore the Board has been included in the process of drafting the policies. Council Member Christensen asked who else serves on the board. Shanna advised of the other members: Paul Glauser, Jared Gallegos, Jerry Nelson, and Mike Vause.

**ITEM 4: ACTION ITEMS**

**A. APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS**

Mayor Cronin advised that there is an additional warrant for a pipe located and transmitter for waterlines. Shanna Johnson said that this piece of equipment is budgeted and the department would like to purchase the item in order to help with water leaks, new construction, and blue stakes.

**MOTION:** Council Member Gerlach made a motion to approve the warrants including the additional warrant for a pipe locator. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion.
ROLL CALL:  Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes
Council Member Gerlach, Yes

Motion Approved.  3 Yes, 0 No.

B. ORDINANCE 15-K AMENDING PERRY MUNICIPAL CODE 15.07 REGARDING LARGE ANIMALS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Mayor Cronin advised that Commissioner Coburn was present at the meeting for any questions the Council may have regarding the proposed Ordinance amendments and Commissioner Call asked the Mayor to reiterate that the Planning Commission has spent a lot of time on this and the vote from the Planning Commission to forward recommendation for approval to the City Council was unanimous. Commissioner Coburn stated the main cause for amending the Ordinance had to do with the issue last year with the Conditional Use Permit in the land adjacent to the Cherry Ridge Subdivision. The City had no options for denying the use. Mayor Cronin said that they took a long time researching this topic and the recommendations have not come lightly. Council Member Christensen said he has not taken long enough to look at the zoning, but said in Jerry Nelson’s case this change would eliminate the ability for him to have a horse. Council Member Christensen asked how the amendment changes land use rights for those who currently have or don’t have large animals. Commissioner Coburn said the goal of the changes was to protect landowners is subdivisions allowing them to have a little more say as to whether or not they have large animals in their back yards. Mayor Cronin said that land owners who currently have animals would be grandfathered until the time they no longer have large animals on the property. Greg Westfall explained that this would be a non-conforming use. Council Member Christensen asked if there was a timeframe in which the allowed non-conforming use would expire. Greg said that timeframes can be enacted but at this time a timeframe has not been identified so if the use is continual it is allowed. Commissioner Coburn said that the conditional use (near the Cherry Ridge Subdivision) that was approved last year has never been implemented by the land owner and the timeframe has lapsed so they will no longer have the ability for the use. Council Member Gerlach said in the situation we had last year, part of the issue was that the people in the subdivision got used to using the area as a play area, when it was someone else’s property in the first place. Then they got angry when the land owner wanted to put a horse on the property. He said he has more concerns with the fact the people are moving into a small rural area and they are mad because there are animals around. He said he is concerned with removing the ability for conditional use. Mayor Cronin said that she received concerns from the Cherry Ridge Subdivision regarding barbed wire fence right at their back yards and that they were sold those lots with the representation that the conditional use area was going to be homes, but when this did not work out for the developer the use changed to minimize the developer’s tax burden. The Mayor said what was presented would be an additional phase of the subdivision with a second egress and then the use changed to house large animals. She agrees that there needs to be areas within the City that allow large animals, but if a person is sold property for residential use then that should not be able to be changed to something that negatively effects the homeowners. Council Member Gerlach said he understands this, but there was another issue recently where a person bought their home as a view lot, but then the lot behind them built a structure that obstructed their view. He said that he feels that this issue can be addressed by still allowing conditional use and making the conditions more stringent. Council Member Christensen said he has not studied this enough to fully understand the changes. He said he would like to understand
the applicability better. He said in the past they have had the changes highlighted and asked what amendments to the Ordinance are. Greg said that the major change was the removal of the conditional use permit that allowed large animals in the R1/2, R1A, R1/3, R1, and R2 zones. Council Member Christensen said that some of the land use issues are difficult because there are some items that the City can address and other that are civil and need to be addressed as such. Greg said he agrees. He said that the biggest goal of Planning and Zoning is to look at what is best for the City as a whole. He said we need to decide if this code that is proposed by the Planning Commission is moving us forward and protecting the residents and their property values or is doing the opposite. Council Member Montgomery asked if Jerry Nelson will be able to have horses on his property as a non-conforming use or would this change take away his ability to have horses. Malone Molgard said that he could have horses as long as he has a horse on the property prior to this code being enacted. Greg said he must continually have the horse in order for it to be allowed. Council Member Gerlach asked what if he only had a horse on the property a few weeks each year. Greg said that the State law states that any break in the use would remove the ability to have the non-conforming use. Lani Braithwaite asked the Council to be careful in areas like the street she lives on where it is very rural and they all have large lots. She asked what the point of having an acre or 2 acres is if you are not allowed to have animals on your land. Council Member Montgomery agreed with Lani’s statement. The Council reviewed the land use map and the areas in which the conditional use would be removed and those areas that would still be allowed to have large animals. Mayor Cronin cautioned that with conditional use permits you have to allow the use. You can only place reasonable conditions. Shanna Johnson asked Commissioner Coburn why they are removing the ability to have conditional use from all areas under ½ acre instead of just the R2 zone (near the Cherry Ridge Subdivision) in which the City had concerns with last year. Shanna clarified that this is the only R2 zone in the City. Mayor Cronin said that people are buying homes in the other zones, even in the R1 area, feeling that these areas are more developed and protected and the Planning Commission proposes allowing large animals in these areas is a use that should not be allowed in the areas even by conditional use. She said that if the conditional use is an option the City must approve the use with reasonable conditions. She said the suggestion regarding tightening up the conditions is not possible. The Planning Commission did all they could to tighten up conditions but ultimately they had to allow the animals. She said the Planning Commission looked at the areas that are densely residential and in which the intent was not to have large animals and removed the conditional use option from the areas. Council Member Montgomery said that does make sense. Lani suggested changing the zone on her street. Mayor Cronin said the individual that has horses already can continue to have them as a non-conforming use as long as the use is continual. Council Member Montgomery said she likes how clean it is to just take the option of conditional use out, but also agrees that the R1/3 area that Jerry Nelson and Lani Braithwaite live in is very rural. She asked if the Council would be amenable to allowing conditional use in the R1/3 zone. Mayor Cronin said that R1/3 is a 1/3 acre and the R1/2 is ½ acres and it would make more sense to allow the animals in R1/2. Greg said that the animals are allowed in the RE1/2, so it is already allowed on ½ acres. Malone said there is really no way of tightening up a conditional use. He said that the use is governed by more than just the Perry Municipal Code. He said that you can only impose reasonable conditions, if the conditions take care of the concerns of the citizens and the City, then you are required to allow the conditional use. The only way the use can be denied is if there is no way of resolving the concerns by condition. He said that if you allow conditional use in
the R1/3 the applicant would need to apply for the conditional use, this would go to the Planning Commission, there would be a public hearing, and conditions would be set based upon any concerns brought up. Once the conditions have been set the use must be allowed. Council Member Gerlach asked if there are reasonable conditions in place why it is a bad thing to allow the animals. Malone said it is not, the City just needs to decide what they want to allow in different zones. Council Member Christensen said he likes Council Member Montgomery’s suggestion of continuing to allow conditional use in the R1/3. Greg stated that currently the proposed Ordinance change would only allow animals on ½ acre or more. Council Member Montgomery suggested that this could be a condition for use that the land be a ½ acre or more. Council Member Christensen agreed stating that 3450 South is zoned R1/3 but they are large lots and it is a very rural area. Greg said that under the current Ordinance you are required to have a minimum of 20,000 sq. feet, this could continue to be a requirement for conditional use. Council Member Christensen thought this was a good suggestion.

**MOTION:** Council Member Montgomery made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission to amend Ordinance 15-K regarding Large Animals in Residential Zones, with the exception that we continue to allow conditional use permits in the R1/3 zones (with the condition that the parcel is a minimum of 20,000 square feet).

**DISCUSSION:** Council Member Christensen said that we could have staff amend the document and bring it back in a future meeting for action. Council Member Montgomery agreed with this approach.

**Motion failed due to lack of a second.**

**MOTION:** Council Member Christensen made a motion to table Item 4B regarding Ordinance 15-K and request staff amend the ordinance according to the Council’s recommendation to allow Conditional Use Permits in the R1/3 zone (with the condition that the parcel is a minimum of 20,000 square feet) at the next Planning Commission meeting. Council Member Montgomery seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

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**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.

**C. ORDINANCE 15-L AMENDING THE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR STATUTORY/APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Mayor Cronin said that each time the base salary is changed for statutory or appointed officers the City needs to make those changes formally noted in a public meeting. She said that increases were awarded to the Chief of Police as he was moved to an Exempt status, and performance increases were given to the City Recorder and City Treasurer. The City Administrator was also added to the schedule.

**MOTION:** Council Member Gerlach made a motion to approve Ordinance 15-L Amending the Compensation Schedule for Statutory / Appointed Officials. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

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**Motion Approved.** 3 Yes, 0 No.
D. MOTION TO APPROVE THE CREATION AND POSTING OF A PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT POSITION

Mayor Cronin explained that this a new position with the purpose of bringing in an individual who can help maintain and give us more of presence on social media and update the webpage. She said that this should take up to approximately 8-10 hours per week. Council Member Christensen said that he has reviewed the job duties in the job description and said he does not see that it would take that much time to update facebook and the webpage. He said that he does think that if they can be available to help with the other office duties listed he is more interested in opening the position. Mayor Cronin explained that there will not be set hours for the position. The individuals schedule will fluctuate based on the need. Shanna Johnson said that the job description speaks to this, stating that the scheduling will be on an as needed basis up to 16 hours per week. Council Member Christensen suggested doing a trial on this before we make this a permanent position. Greg Westfall said that a position like this can be done away with at any time. Shanna said you could hire them initially as a seasonal and move them into a permanent position. Council Member Christensen said that is what he would like to see. Shanna said this will be a position that will be on again/off again and that is why we listed the scheduling as we did in the job description, as we want the applicants to know this up front. Council Member Montgomery asked if this may be a position that could help with minutes. Mayor Cronin said yes and referred to the job description. Council Member Christensen suggested that when this is filled, staff monitors and reviews posts before they are actually posted for content and grammar. Mayor Cronin said that at the beginning of the summer Division of Workforce Services was paying for interns to work in these types of positions. She said that we did not have a position so we could not participate. This will open up that option. Council Member Montgomery asked if they would need their own office space. Shanna said that they will utilize the laptop in the council room or the spare desktop PC in the office.

MOTION: Council Member Gerlach made a motion to approve the creation and posting of a part-time Office Assistant position. Council Member Montgomery seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

- Council Member Christensen, Yes
- Council Member Montgomery, Yes
- Council Member Gerlach, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.

ITEM 5: DISCUSSION

A. BUDGET UPDATE

Shanna Johnson gave a preliminary fiscal year-end financial review through the month of June 2015. She advised that we are still gathering invoices and payments that will be allocated to Fiscal Year 2015 and adjustments will be made to the budget to account for these monies. She said June would represent that 100% of the fiscal year has elapsed. She stated the budgeted revenues for the General Fund were set at $2,293,638 and at this point we have collected $2,208,167 or 96% of the planned revenues. She reported that the Utility fund had a budget of $800,608.88 and 79% ($628,837.98) of Utility Fund Revenues have been collected. Shanna advised that a transfer from impact fees still needs to occur which will increase total revenues collected. She reported that the budgeted revenues for the sewer fund were set at $1,056,965.65 and we have collected $891,178.31. Shanna advised that we are still awaiting reimbursements from the State for the Phosphorous grant, some reimbursements for operation and maintenance costs from Willard, and there
will also be a transfer of $142,628.00 from the general fund all of which will increase the collected revenues and bring them more in line with budget. Council Member Christensen asked if Willard was current with reimbursements to Perry. Shanna said yes, explaining that we bill on a lag and then we receive reimbursement, so these funds are usually about 2 month behind. She reported that non-operating Utility Fund revenues were budgeted at $150,008.50 and we have received $300,188.38 or 200% of plan. She explained that this is due to increase building and growth in the City. Shanna reported that the general fund had budgeted for expenditures at $1,987,923.02 and has spent only 83% of its budget or $1,649,009.66. She stated that trends are showing every department will end within their budgeted amounts and that the General Fund expenditures should end at approximately $1,718,000.00; revenues should come in at $2,325,533 and fund balance should end at approximately $607,524. Shanna advised that this does not take into account any adjustments that may need to take place, but we are in a good position if adjustments are needed. Shanna reported that the Utility Fund has had expended $671,670.34 out of the $800,609.13 that was budgeted. Shanna stated that budget trends show that the fund should end with expenditures of approximately $697,762.63 and revenues of $831,725.98, which will leave a contribution to fund balance of $133,963. Shanna reported that the Sewer Fund has spent $1,101,499.80 of the budgeted $1,150,612.29. She said trends indicate that the fund should end with expenditures at $1,120,625.80 and revenues of $1,240,079.42, contributing to fund balance $119,453.62. She stated again that these trends do not account for any adjustments needed, but all funds are looking healthy and should end healthy even after adjustments. Shanna reported that $66,353.19 in sales tax was collected in July, which is 0.79% more than what was collected in July of 2014. She said that in total we have collected 5.47% more than the prior year and we are trending to end the year as planned. Council Member Christensen asked what has been heard from the County on the road tax that they want to change and whether or not the proposed tax would be on an upcoming ballot. Malone Molgard reported that the sales tax initiative for transportation funding will be on the ballot for the upcoming election. Mayor Cronin confirmed that the vote from the County Commission was unanimous. Mayor Cronin expressed her appreciation to the Council and staff for their work with the budget and keeping it under control and healthy.

ITEM 6: MINUTES & COUNCIL MAYOR REPORTS (INCLUDING COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS)

A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

- JUNE 4, 2015 CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
- JUNE 4, 2015 RDA MEETING MINUTES
- JUNE 4, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- JUNE 18, 2915 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- JULY 1, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the June 4, 2015 City Council Work Session, RDA and City Council Meetings. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Christensen, Yes Council Member Montgomery, Yes Council Member Gerlach, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.
MOTION: Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the June 18, 2015 City Council Meeting. Council Member Gerlach seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes  Council Member Gerlach, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.

MOTION: Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the July 1, 2015 City Council Meeting. Council Member Gerlach seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Christensen, Yes  Council Member Montgomery, Yes  Council Member Gerlach, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.

B. TODD CHRISTENSEN: apologized for not being able to attend the July 23rd meeting. He reported that there is a Utopia Board meeting scheduled for Monday August 10th. He said they have cancelled all of the summer meetings so far. He recommended having the City Administrator update the City Council from time to time to let them know of the on goings at the city. He said this could include information about events, upcoming action items, and general updates. Council Member Christensen asked if there was a Meet the Candidates Night. Shanna Johnson said that this will take place after the primary election. He asked to be notified when this is scheduled.

C. PETER GERLACH: Nothing reported.

D. JANA NELSON: Absent.

E. ESTHER MONTGOMERY: reported that there is a new bring one-take one library (book exchange) that is up and running in the hallway outside of the City Council room. She said that there are many books that have been donated and we have more shelves for the books on order. Mayor Cronin said that this will hopefully help youth in the summer to keep actively reading.

F. BRADY LEWIS: nothing reported.

G. MAYOR CRONIN: thanked everyone for their work and participation during the Tour of Utah and National Night Out. She reported that the event was a success; the City anticipated 100 people to attend, and had about 200 people attend. She gave the City Council a heads up that when Perry City asked Mayor Fridal of Tremonton and Mayor Vincent of Brigham City to participate in the Perry Fourth of July parade, they accepted but asked that we reciprocate the effort. This means that we have entered to be in the Peach day’s parade. She encouraged that the City Council participate in the parade and asked them to email her if they are available. Mayor Cronin advised the Council that the Utah League of Cities and Towns conference is September 16th, 17th, and 18th and asked them to let her know if they plan to attend. She advised that money was budgeted for the Council to either attend this training or use toward Information Technology items.

H. STAFF COMMENTS: nothing reported.

I. ITEMS FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER
  •  None.
ITEM 7: EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Gerlach moved to close the Public Meeting and open an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Council Member Montgomery seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Montgomery, Yes Council Member Gerlach, Yes Council Member Nelson, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.

The Regular Public meeting closed at approximately 8:58pm.

MOTION: Council Member Montgomery moved to close the Executive Session and return to the Public Meeting. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Montgomery, Yes Council Member Gerlach, Yes Council Member Nelson, Yes

Motion Approved. 3 Yes, 0 No.

The Regular Public meeting reopened at approximately 9:23pm.

ITEM 8: Adjournment

MOTION: Council Member Montgomery made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Motion Approved. All Council Members in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:23pm.

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Susan Obray, City Recorder       Karen Cronin, Mayor

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Shanna Johnson, Chief Deputy Recorder