



**Present:**

Mayor Adele Justice                      Council Member Brad Richman  
Council Member Chris Winn              Council Member Wendy Price  
Council Member Dell Mead

**Also Present:**

Brittany Yeates, Recorder              Jolene Stevens                      Julie Benson  
Jacqueline Wilde, Treasurer          Julie Johansen                      Sherrie Swasey  
Sid Swasey, Maintenance

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, WELCOME & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Justice welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. During Roll Call, it was reported that Council Member Mead would be late, Council Member Winter was excused, Council Member Price was participating through speaker phone and Council Members Winn and Richman were both present. Council Member Winn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

Mayor Justice recognized Big Mountain Lodge as the business of the month. Started in 2018. They offer fuel, motel, cabins, C-store, restaurant, coffee shop, propane, ATV and water rentals including side by sides, 4 wheelers, jet skis, stand up paddle boards, and kayaks. They will be on site at Huntington and Scofield State Parks as well as Joe's Valley Reservoir from Memorial weekend to Labor Day weekend. They have all their water rentals on site for hourly and daily rentals as well as renting ATVs. They will have full food service at all three locations. They purchased the old Pat's Sew and Stuff and turned it into Big Mountain Outdoors to sell side-by-sides and guns with ammo.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 10, 2021

**Council Member Winn made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richman. Motion carried.**

**Motion to close the City Council meeting temporarily and open the public hearing to address the budget and the fairgrounds master plan at 7:06 P.M. was made by Council Member Richman. Council Member Winn seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Members Richman, Winn and Price all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

4. TO CONSIDER INPUT REGARDING OPENING THE 2020-21 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

A few changes are proposed to the 2020-21 budget. Raise to the sales tax, balanced peach days, lowered the interest on PTIF account, showed the money from surplus sale, lowered some expenses, added background checks as a line item, lowered beautification a little, increased city activities because of COVID, CARES ACT funds showed, lowered Planning & Zoning because they hadn't been meeting often, increase EMT training, Fire department clothing allowance increased, engineering for trails plan, excess in Fairgrounds improvements for retaining wall, balanced out what was not spent in Peach

Days. A little money was added to Cemetery.  
No public comment

5. TO CONSIDER INPUT FOR THE FAIRGROUNDS MASTER PLAN

In order for the City to submit for funding, it helps to have a master plan. The Mayor mentioned a few ideas; removing the RV dump and replacing it with a trailhead kiosk. An adventure play area in the southwest corner and a terraced retaining wall/picnic area with basketball and tennis/pickle ball courts on the upper level. A skate park across from those. A new restroom and shower facility with the old bathroom changed to be used for family/unisex. Adding paved parking, new chutes in rodeo area, developing the mud bog pit, and maybe RV connection on the inside of the track. Julie Johanson recommended better dirt in the arena. Having a trailhead at the park will open more funding opportunities. Council Member Winn recommended adding a splash pad or water feature. The dumpsters will be moving. Not sure where to yet. The Mayor also mentioned a concession stand near the baseball diamond and upgrading the metal recreational building.

Council Member Richman wants to budget money for planning & zoning before growth hits. He thought the City should allocate some money in anticipation of needing to hire a consultant.

**Council Member Winn moved to close the public hearing at 7:22 P.M. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richman. Motion carried with Council Members Richman, Winn, and Price all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

**GENERAL BUSINESS / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

6. DISCUSSION OF SECURITY SYSTEMS

Recorder reached out to a few locksmiths and only received responses from two entities for the new door security system.  
Superior Security Services bid \$5,813 for City Hall and \$7,828.40 for the new Fairgrounds Restroom.  
Payson Lock & Key submitted \$6,609.71 for City Hall and \$13,047.10 for the new restroom.

**Motion to move ahead with Superior Security Services for the door locks was made by Council Member Winn. Council Member Richman seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Members Richman, Winn, and Price all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

7. DISCUSSION OF RENTAL PROPERTIES AND WATER USAGE

Moved to a time when more council members would be in attendance.

8. REVIEW OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TENTATIVE ROSTER

Fire Department has not approved a roster yet.

9. CONSIDERATION OF DONATING TO S2 RACING – JOLENE STEVENS

S2 Racing is a nonprofit organization that puts on barrel races. There are a lot in this community who are involved. Asking for donation for prizes. Last time, Ferron donated \$250 toward a saddle.

**Council Member Richman moved to donate \$250 to S2 Racing sponsorship. The motion was seconded by Council Member Winn. Motion carried with Council Members Richman, Winn, and Price all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

10. CONSIDERATION TO CONTRACT WITH COUNTY FOR ELECTIONS

This is an election year in November for the Municipal offices. If the city contracts with the County, they will do all the printing and counting of the ballots.

**Motion to contract with the county for the elections in 2021 was made by Council Member Winn. Council Member Price seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

11. ADOPTION OF FAIRGROUNDS MASTER PLAN

Moved to next meeting.

12. DISCUSSION OF REPLACING MV-RS SOFTWARE – JACQUELINE WILDE

The Treasurer reported that the support ends for the meter reader software on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December. If staff needs assistance with the handheld that reads the meters, there will be no help. There are options like purchasing a new handheld, using a smart phone or even a tablet. The smart phone and tablet options can be uploaded to the system wirelessly. The update can be done in phases. Just the software will cost \$2,675 but the install is free.

Council Member Mead arrived at 7:35 P.M.

Handheld option would be around \$5,000.

The Council would like to look into it more. In the meantime, they'll make sure the money will be in the future budget.

Council Member Price disconnected the call.

13. DISCUSSION OF PEACH DAYS

Council Member Winn said the bike ride and fun run were a success and he would like to keep them.

There was discussion of how exhibits are dying out and it was decided not to do it this year.

People enjoyed the drive-in movie, but they would prefer it to not be on a school night.

Sidewalk Picasso went great at 6:00 P.M. Should keep that at that time.

Fireworks will be moved to Monday.

Could try having the dinner and transition into movie on Friday.

Field of Flags, Car Show, Cornhole, Color dance, and light parade were successes last year.

Night golf should be done. Bounce houses were paid for last year and can be used this year.

Council Member Mead said that he has heard interest in resuming the mud bog.

Might have that during the day.

The soap box derby will not be pursued.

Horse races need to be decided on.

Not planning on having pageants. Will have a small budget in case a parent decides to put it on.

Think about having a street dance after the parade.

14. DISCUSSION OF 2021-22 BUDGET

The Recorder included a worksheet in the Council's packets. The Mayor asked everyone to think about any changes they would like to their budgets and let the Recorder know.

15. DISCUSSION OF ARBOR DAY & SIGNING OF PROCLAMATION

Arbor day will be on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor signed the proclamation.

**RESOLUTIONS**

16. RESOLUTION 2021-4: AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21

**Motion to accept resolution 2021-4 as written was made by Council Member Mead. Council Member Richman seconded the motion. The motion carried with Council Members Richman, Winn, and Mead all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

**REPORTS**

17. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Mead said that a couple citizens contacted him about wanting the fire department to help with some large burns. He is having them put in for the burn permit even if the fire department will be helping keep it under control. He will not be charging this year because there are enough people on the fire department that need the hands-on experience and training. Jeremy Jorgesen told him to plan on the burn window closing early.

The open house went well. There were around 30 people who attended.

Council Member Winn said that he will look into pushing some sidewalk improvements now that the weather is getting better.

The Mayor asked if anyone had approached him about the speed limit at the South end of town. Coal trucks are going too fast on State. UDOT told the citizens complaining to do a petition and bring it to the city. Council Member Winn will follow up with UDOT.

Council Member Richman checked on the welcome signs. They are still in process. He also reported that the City may need to dig a ditch on Canyon Road to help a citizen who experiences standing water after the Service District put in a covert. The problem is on the project list submitted to the District but if it does not get done this year then the City should clean out the ditch to help.

He did not know he was responsible for the flowers in the planters. He will get those ordered.

The Mayor reported that the Utah film commission wants to do a film screening here in Ferron. It will be a drive-in on May 8<sup>th</sup>. They will have all the equipment. Could be a fundraiser that could help with the Adventure park.

The Youth Council decided on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March for the Easter party. It will be a daytime event at Mayor's park. It will be like the event we did a couple years ago. Planning on 11:00 to 1:00 and will be serving sloppy Joe's.

With the Golf course, they are still working on fixing the legal description. Have discovered a small piece of property in description that is involved in a SITLA exchange. There is nothing on it, so she told them to cut it out of the description. Were previously told that we could go ahead with the appraisal ourselves but now have been told we cannot. She is trying to get in contact with Senator Romney's office to see if they could help again.

18. GOLF COURSE AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS AND WORK ORDER REVIEW

Sid Swasey said they have been doing dirt work at the Adventure park. They have also found the sewer lines for the new bathrooms. Also, doing burials.

The Mayor discussed the maintenance crew's request to start earlier again. She

brought up the thought that we should have one of the maintenance/animal control officers available while City Hall is open. They could maybe stagger their shifts. Council Member Winn will discuss it with Council Member Winter and the staff.

Rick Price was not in attendance and the Mayor was wondering if he had pursued the applicator's license. He had previously been told to get that done before March 1<sup>st</sup>.

19. (IF NEEDED) CONSIDERATION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL, PENDING OR REASONABLE IMMINENT LITIGATION, AND THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE SECTION 52-4-205

There was no need for a closed session.

20. BUDGET REPORT

Nothing to report.

21. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

**Motion to pay the bills was made by Council Member Mead. Council Member Winn seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Richman, Winn, and Mead all voting aye in a roll call vote.**

22. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was not any public comment.

23. ADJOURNMENT

**Council Member Mead moved to adjourn at 8:19 P.M. Council Member Richman seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

ATTEST:

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Mayor Adele Justice

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Brittany Yeates  
Ferron City Recorder