



Present:

Mayor Adele Justice Council Member Mead Council Member Trenerly
Council Member Price Council Member Fox Council Member Richman

Also Present:

Brittany Yeates, Recorder Joseph L Swasey Nancy Jerome
Tami Bennett, Treasurer Michael Beck Mike Mower
Sid Swasey, Maintenance Eric Luke Brent Hadfield
Rick Price, Maintenance Gina Swasey Tia Hulse
Julie Johansen

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.
Roll call showed that Council Members Mead, Trenerly, Price, Richman, and Fox were all present.
Council Member Fox lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 14, 2019

3. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION REQUESTS

Utility Adjustment – Killpack, Maude – Lester, Jessica
Joseph Swasey requested to have the meter checked. He also would like to be put on a payment plan. Mayor instructed the Treasurer to make a work order for the special service district to check the meter to make sure it is working properly. The Mayor also told her to work with Mr. Swasey on a payment agreement.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Price. The motion carried with Council Members Mead, Trenerly, Price, Richman, and Fox all voting aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items pulled from the consent agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. DISCUSSION OVER DONATION TO UTAH COUNCIL OF THE BLIND – J.D. SEELY

This issue was taken care of before the City Council meeting.

7. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DONATION TO GIRL'S STATE – GINA SWASEY

Gina Swasey said there are six girls who have qualified to go to Girl's State this year. Weber State has increased the price to \$400 for each girl.

Ms. Swasey reported that Aubree Justice was one of the girl's the city supported last year. She received a scholarship for \$13,000 from Weber State. Then after they saw her grades and she applied there; they gave her \$30,000.

Tia Hulse said a huge thank you for donating to her last year. She received a \$14,000 scholarship to Weber State University. Going to Girl's State was a once in a lifetime experience and she wouldn't have been able to go if she hadn't gotten the financial support.

Ms. Swasey informed the council that they did a BINGO fundraiser and raised \$400. The American Legion will give each girl \$100. They would appreciate \$600. They usually only have 5 girls but have 6 this year.

Council Member Richman moved to donate \$500. The motion was seconded by Council Member Trenerly. The motion carried with Council Members Fox, Richman, Price, Trenerly, and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.

8. DISCUSSION ON CONTRACTING WITH COUNTY FOR ELECTION

Council Member Fox made a motion to contract with the county for the election. Council Member Richman seconded the motion. The motion carried with Council Members Fox, Richman, Price, Trenerly, and Mead all voting aye.

9. DISCUSSION REGARDING DOE ARCHERY HUNT

The Mayor recalled for the council how the DWR came last month to speak about doing a draw. A couple negatives to this are there would be no local control and only a limited amount of tags given out. A second option was proposed called an Urban deer program. The city would partner with an archery club to eliminate local deer. Randy O'neil is willing to help out. We're too late to get in the draw for this coming season. Wouldn't be able to do this until the 2020 hunt. We could still work toward the Urban hunt. It is a process that we would have to work closely with DWR on. Council Member Mead is willing to head this up. The Council all agree that the Urban deer program would be the safest route and give the locals more control.

Council Member Fox made a motion to move forward with the Urban Deer Program. Council Member Mead seconded the motion. The motion carried with Council Members Fox, Richman, Price, Trenerly, and Mead all voting aye.

10. DISCUSSION OF NEW WELCOME SIGNS FOR FERRON CITY - KAELYNN WINN, KATHY PERKINS, AND SUZANNE LARSEN

No one from the committee was in attendance.

11. DISCUSSION OF CHAINSAW CARVING COMPETITION DURING PEACH DAYS - GREG HOWES

Greg Howes was not in attendance.

The Mayor mentioned that she has been approached by someone wanting to do burn-outs at Peach Days.

Council Member Trenerly jokingly suggested we have camel or ostrich races.

12. DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO SR-10 CONSTRUCTION – LISA BECK, HARMONY PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Michael Beck here with Harmony Public Involvement to give information on the SR-10 Main Street project. Nancy Jerome is the UDOT project manager. Brent Hadfield is a UDOT engineer. Eric Luke is with Nielson Construction. Mr. Beck informed the Council that the project will begin on April 2nd. Ferron is the starting point on April 2nd on main street throughout the middle of July. They won't be working on any of the major holidays. They'll even stop for the Ferron Stock show in July. Council Member Fox expresses concern about an area that may be dangerous

where the asphalt doesn't meet the curb down near the fairgrounds. He said that area needs to be addressed. Ms. Jerome said it is in the plans to fix that. Mr. Beck said they'll be replacing a lot of the pedestrian ramps at the corners, the catch basins, and curb and gutters near those. They'll be roto milling the top 3 inches of asphalt and then paving over it with new asphalt. There will be no utility outages. The road closures shouldn't be for more than a day. The roads should always be open to drive on at night. As far as public involvement, they will be meeting on the 26th and 27th with business owners and stake holders along main street. All residents will be getting a direct mail piece with information about the project on it. The project hot-line number is 435-531-1358.

Eric Luke handed out a project schedule and timeline of the project. He reminded the council to keep in mind that project schedules are subject to change. The project is starting at the intersection of State Street and Main. There are two drainage pipes, one on each side of the intersection, that need to be taken out and replaced. First thing they'll do is pot hole for existing utilities so the state can determine the final design of where the pipe depths will go. They will have traffic control in place during this process.

The Mayor said she had been told that the drains don't go anywhere. Ms. Jerome said they'll be moving the catch basins on the East side as far from the corners as they can. Ferron City has no piping for them to connect up to and the water will bubble up and drain down the curb and gutter. They're just trying to make it a better system and get ponding out of pedestrian walkways. Brent Hadfield said it would be up to the city if they want to connect up to it someday.

Mr. Luke said they will work with school districts to provide barricades and access for school crossing. New asphalt will tie in with the curb and gutter. The project starts just south of intersection of 500 South. It'll tie into the project they did just north of Castle Dale a few years ago. They'll only be shifting traffic, not rerouting it. They'll be working Monday through Friday.

13. APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF 2019-20 CIB PRIORITY LIST

Council Member Trener commented that we need a cover for the salt bin. We've been wasting a lot of salt. It also needs to be graded. The Mayor replied that we need to look into what is needed and what it will cost.

The Fairground improvement has been on the list for a while because if we don't have it on the list, we won't get the funding if we ask for it. It's a broad category.

Council Member Trener moved to approve the list. Council Member Price seconded the motion. The motion carried with Council Members Fox, Richman, Price, Trener, and Mead all voting aye.

14. DISCUSSION OF PEACH DAYS

Council Member Price asked if anyone has thought of something for the main arena. The Mayor replied no but a Ninja Warrior course could be fun. Especially in the mud. She added that the secret to Peach Days is getting good committees that follow through and can get it done.

15. DISCUSSION ON BUILDING INSPECTOR AND BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

The Mayor said that she has not gotten any more information for this. She wanted to be able to compare. We are currently sending plans and permits to Sunrise to get pricing. It has increased quite a bit from what we were paying. She hopes she'll have more info to share at the next meeting.

16. DISCUSSION OF DONATION POLICY

The Mayor drew the council's attention to a Huntington City resolution about their donation policy they did years ago. We need something to streamline the donations. We need to have donations listed in our budget hearing. It was suggested that we

consider doing the same thing and setting an amount. The example has \$75 within city limits and groups are \$150. We don't need to go with those exact amounts. Council Member Fox pointed out that knowing Huntington's budget and ours, we're very generous compared to Huntington. The Mayor agreed mentioning that \$1000 had been donated to a single organization this year. Another example is Girl's State. Some years we've totally funded them, but this year we only gave them partial. Council Member Treney commented that we need to support our people in Ferron but also not give away all the city's money. Council Member Price stated that she thinks a maximum donation is a good idea. Council Member Richman remarked that \$150 for some isn't a lot but for others it's in excess. It's hard to put one figure on every organization. The Council agreed to think about it until next time. The Mayor told them we need to have something in place before the budget meeting. Also, will need to have the list posted so the public knows. Council Member Richman requested the Recorder compile a list of past donations.

17. REVIEW OF BUDGET WORKSHEET FOR THE 2019-20 FISCAL YEAR

The Mayor instructed the Council Members to take the budget worksheet home and look at assigned areas. If they need any adjustments made, inform the Recorder. The projected budget should be similar to last year.

REPORTS

18. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Fox reported that he's been over in Huntington. He thinks our cemetery looks whole lot better than theirs. He informed the Council that we need to replace a head stone base that was cracked while moving it. The concrete slab might be \$250. The Mayor told the maintenance crew to go ahead with that. They'll try to get another bid first.

Council Member Fox also commented on going to the water meeting that was put on by the Ferron Canal Company. He said that we will have all kinds of water. Irrigation water will be turned on around the first of April. The residential will be turned on the 15th. The dam should be able to handle the water. We should try to get more info out to the public who didn't make it to the meeting. It was recommended to add it to the newsletter. We do have sand and sandbags in case anyone needs them.

The Mayor asked about the complaint of the dog that barks all night. Council Member Fox believes it's not the dog reported to be doing the barking. It's a big neighbor dog. The Mayor stresses that we need to document everything and that we need to know for sure it's the dog he's accusing.

Council Member Richman enquires about the bathroom up at Millsite that was discussed last month. The Mayor replied that she doesn't believe it should be the city's responsibility. The upkeep would be too much for us. The rest of the council agreed.

Council Member Richman also reported that he went to the public lands council meeting and heard that the Emery County Public Lands bill went through congress. The House and Senate had passed it. The President signed it and it's a done deal. It has been 24 years since this land bill was started.

Mike Mower, Governor Herbert's Deputy Chief of Staff, explained more about the bill. The governor, the representatives, and the commissioners all think it's a good deal. It prevents The Swell from becoming a two-million-acre monument. He said, "No place where you've driven before is gonna be locked up." He explained that we basically traded scenery for lands that we hope to develop for oil, gas, and mining that can benefit Emery County economically and the school kids of Utah.

Council Member Richman continued his report saying SITLA (school and institutional trust lands administration) had mentioned they were going to be doing some land exchanges with the BLM. One of those exchanges could be at Millsite. At some point

there is a possibility to have housing up there.

Council Member Price said that the flowers may need to be moved with the construction. Castle Dale will not be doing flowers this year. Most of ours aren't on State and those that are can be moved to other locations. The Council agreed that we should still do flowers this year. She also brought up that we will be doing an Easter Carnival instead of an egg hunt on April 13th. Will be serving sloppy Joes. One of the teachers said that she can have her students make cakes or cupcakes but there isn't enough money in her budget. The Mayor said that we can provide the materials for them. Arbor day may be changed from the 27th to May 4th. John Healy will speak with the gentleman who does the pruning and see if that change will work with him. We will also be doing the poster contest. We still haven't given the fliers to the school.

The Mayor wanted to know where we were with parking notices. The Recorder said that the letters were printed up. They haven't been distributed yet.

Also, the council members need to let the Recorder know if they are going to the ULCT conference. There was a sign-up sheet handed out. Make sure that you will be going before you sign up so we're not out the registration money.

19. MAINTENANCE AND GOLF COURSE REPORTS

The Mayor reported that we had our first golf committee meeting tonight. She has reorganized that committee and believes it will be a good thing for us. She still wants to pursue the deal with Good Life Utah. The committee talked about redoing a couple of the greens. Not putting the bridge over it which will hurt us. She will speak to the NRCS about that project. She also would like to have a city golf day to get citizens up there. Maybe do a potluck or something. Kasey Edgehouse has talked about trying to do foot golf to bring something new in. Green River has had success with Frisbee golf. Foot golf is like soccer and soccer is huge right now. It's not super costly and if we have a day that isn't as busy as another, why not try it. She will still work with the BLM and try to get the Good Life deal to go through.

Maintenance has been trying to get cemetery cleaned up. They are gearing up for the summer. They would like to have summer help for the cemetery. Council Member Fox is okay with them getting the help.

They have had a couple of dogs run over this month. One of the dogs was a problem dog.

The throttle on the backhoe sticks and it's hard to work with. They don't know what to do about it. They're wondering if they should take it to Don Conover to be fixed? The Mayor said that the snow plow pushed us over the budget already. We'll have to work on the budget to see what we can find.

Mr. Mower stood and said Ferron is the best city on the planet. He said that Millsite Golf Course is one of the governor's favorite courses. He'll see if he can help with the golf course and getting a new snow plow.

20. (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.

21. BUDGET REPORT

The Mayor advises the council to go over the budget. We will be opening it soon to make some adjustments.

22. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

Council Member Mead moved to approve payment of warrants. Council Member Trenerly seconded the motion. The motion carried with Council Members Fox, Richman, Price, Trenerly, and Mead all voting aye in a roll call vote.

23. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. made by Council Member Trenerly. The motion was seconded by Council Member Mead.

ATTEST:

Mayor Adele Justice

Brittany Yeates
Ferron City Recorder