



Ferron City Council Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes 6-8-2017  
Council Chambers – Ferron City Hall  
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**PRESENT:** Mayor Jackson Council Member Justice  
Council Member Mead Council Member Bloomer  
Council Member Fox Council Member Nielson

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Jaime Anderson, Recorder Tami Bennett, Treasurer Tracy Behling  
Sharman Seamons Gordon Bennett Ron Barney

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

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.  
The roll call noted the following:

**Present:** Council Member Mead, Council Member Justice, Council Member Bloomer,  
Council Member Fox, Council Member Nielson.

Mayor Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED MAY 8, 2017 AND MAY 11, 2017

3. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION REQUESTS

**Council Member Nielson moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fox. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Council Member Justice moved to open the Public Hearing meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

4. TO CONSIDER INPUT REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL BUDGET FOR THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR

Mayor Jackson noted one change from adopting the certified tax rate that increased the General Property Tax current line making the Beginning Balance to be Appropriated line decrease by the same amount to balance the budget.

5. TO CONSIDER INPUT REGARDING OPENING THE 2016-17 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

The Recorder noted what the estimated numbers would be for the end of the fiscal year. She pointed out that the estimated ending numbers were done before we received Ryan Winn's resignation of employment and that he would be cashing out a large amount of sick and vacation pay that has not been calculated yet.

**Council Member Justice moved to close the Public Hearing meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

## GENERAL BUSINESS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items pulled from the consent agenda.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

8. UPDATE FROM FERRON CANAL & RESERVOIR COMPANY AND TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF CITY NOT REQUIRING WATER SHARES FOR CONNECTIONS TRACY BEHLING AND GORDON BENNETT

Tracy Behling addressed the council with an update from the Canal Company and gave an update on the Millsite Dam Rehabilitation project. He noted that the bids were opened and was awarded to Nielson Construction. He also reported that they have requested a bypass line to feed the secondary water line and the water line to the Power Plant. He noted that after August, the city may have to enforce watering restrictions on the secondary water.

Gordon Bennett addressed the City Council to discuss the water lease agreement with the city. He thinks that the city already has more than enough water shares that they own that the city could never use them all. He also noted that the city has never gone over the allotted amount of water. It was also discussed that the agreement we have has been working well but the problem is that water shares are just not for sale anymore and no one wants to sell any water shares that they have. To be able to build a new house it is required to turn in water shares to the city for any new hook ups so nobody can build without water shares and if the city would get rid of the requirement then people could build new homes and expand the city. The City Council will review the agreement and meet again with the Canal Company for further discussion.

9. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO AWARD BID FOR CLEANING SERVICES FOR CITY HALL

The City Council reviewed the bids and announced that Lane Justice withdrew his bid proposal. Lynett Withers was awarded the bid for \$1,456.00 per year for the cleaning services at city hall.

**Council Member Nielson moved to award the cleaning of City Hall to Lynett Withers. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

10. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF I.T. SERVICE PROPOSAL FROM EXECUTECH

Mayor Jackson noted that Wane Roberts has been the city's IT guy and has helped with any updates and problems that we have had with our computers. This is a bid from Exeutech on what they could offer for security for our computer system. He reported that we are a small office and Pelorus backs up their program every night and the office files are backed up on zip drives but we don't have a firewall to protect it from hackers. Mayor Jackson asked what the council thought about the proposal. After a discussion Mayor Jackson will just work on getting a firewall in place with Wane Roberts before his term is done as Mayor.

11. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO CONTRIBUTE ELECTION COST TO THE COUNTY TO RUN THE 2017 ELECTIONS

Mayor Jackson noted that Brenda Tuttle from the County is asking for donations to help run the elections due to the Governor calling a special election to fill the vacancy made by Representative Chaffetz resigning. It changes the election to a federal election so the County is now assigned the responsibility of managing the election. Council Member Justice suggested to pay the election judges and buy them lunch. After a brief discussion, it was agreed to donate \$500.00 to the County.

**Council Member Mead moved to donate \$500.00 to the County for election cost. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fox. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

12. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF WATER SHARES – SHARMAN SEAMONS AND RON BARNEY

Sharman Seamons addressed the council reporting that quite a few years ago when he and Ron Barney were getting connected to secondary water they had to turn in water shares for the connection. He also reported that at the time it didn't have enough water pressure to water with so when the farm water came by he shut the secondary water off and hooked into the farm water. He also noted that two weeks after this was done, the city passed an ordinance making it illegal to do this and capped the water connection. Sharman and Ron would like to get the water share they had to turn in returned to them. It was discussed that the City Council needed to review what happened and consult with the city attorney to see what they could do.

**Council Member Bloomer moved to table this until the next City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Mead. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

13. PEACHDAYS DISCUSSION

A Peach Days theme was discussed and it was decided not to have one and just call it Peach Day's 2017. Council Member Nielson reported that he is having trouble finding straw bales for the soapbox derby. He has also been looking for an alternative. He liked the gift certificate instead of trophy's and thinks it worked out well. The car show is going to happen again and they may have more cars attending then last year. A sound system was discussed and who we could ask to announce the parade.

## RESOLUTIONS

14. RESOLUTION 2017-3 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CERTIFIED TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

**Council Member Justice moved to adopt Resolution 2017-3 adopting the certified tax rate for 2017-18. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

15. RESOLUTION 2017-4 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

**Council Member Justice moved to adopt Resolution 2017-4 Adopting the 2017-18**

**Fiscal Year Budget. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

## REPORTS

### 16. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Jackson reported that Ryan Winn has turned in his resignation and that he will be offering the position to Rick Price as a full-time employee with benefits. He noted that Rick Price may have to give a two-week notice at his current job but thinks he will be able to work it out. Mayor Jackson reported that Castle Valley Special Service District has cut some projects from Ferron City and will let Council Member Nielson report more about that.

Council Member Nielson reported what projects were cut and what will be completed this year for curb and gutter projects. The CVSSD are short on money and had to cut other cities projects as well. One project that must be done in Ferron is the drainage on 200 N and 200 W. Council Member Nielson also reported that the drainage problem by Lane Justice has been dug up and plugged and should have been fixed.

Council Member Fox reported that he attended the public lands meeting. He also reported that the road to Ferron Reservoir is open but the gate to Duck Fort is still closed and that you can't get to any of the campgrounds or cabins yet from all the snow.

There was a discussion on no gas in town and what can be done about it. Mayor Jackson is still working on a new gas station to come into town. It was suggested to get a petition signed to give them showing that we need to get something here.

Council Member Bloomer has been getting the Fairgrounds ready for the Stock Show and getting some of the electrical worked on that needed to be fixed.

Council Member Justice reported that some of the vehicles from the coal miner's carpools east of Mayors Park have been parking too close to the stop sign and that you can't see past them. It was suggested to re-paint the curb red and to also notify them of the problem.

Council Member Mead reported that Tyler Prows is moving and we shouldn't get any more complaints about their dogs.

### 17. MAINTENANCE AND GOLF COURSE REPORTS

Mayor Jackson reported that Kasey Edgehouse has come up with a new logo for the Golf Course to use to go along with the old logo.

Council Member Nielson noted that he thinks Kasey is doing a great job. His grandson, Devin Guymon got a hole in one and Marv Garrett embroidered the flag for him to keep as a keepsake.

Tami Bennett reported on the training classes she attended and has come back with some internal controls and fraud procedures she would like to start using in the office. She also pointed out to the council that if they have any questions on what they are signing that they need to ask. She suggested that we need to put together a policy for procedures so everyone knows what the separation of duties are.

### 18. (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

No closed session was needed.

19. BUDGET REPORT

Mayor Jackson noted that he would like to see a set of bleaches at the new ball field so more games would be played there and he will follow up on getting a price for them. He also noted to the City Council that the fiscal year budget ends June 30, 2017 and if any of them need anything before it ends to meet with the Recorder to discuss it.

**Council Member Justice moved to give Jaime Anderson the authority to make the necessary adjustments to the budget to balance the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

20. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

**Council Member Bloomer moved to approve the payment of warrants. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fox. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice, and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote.**

21. ADJOURNMENT

**Council Member Fox moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bloomer. The motion carried with Council Member Nielson, Fox, Bloomer, Justice, and Mead voting aye in a roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.**

ATTEST:

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Mayor Trent Jackson

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Jaime Anderson  
Ferron City Recorder