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**UINTAH CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

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Attendees: Mayor Cutler, Council Member Smith, Council Member Bell, Council Member Roberts, City Recorder Michelle Mortensen, Lt. Ryan, Planning Commission Chair Rob Guiller, Dan Combe, Ricky Hatch, Lauren Shafer, Dakota Wurth, Billie Hatch, Cole Ross

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**AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Mayor Cutler at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Council Member Smith.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT (2 minutes per person):**

None

3. **APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES HELD JULY 18, 2023:**

Presenter: Mayor Cutler

- Present City Council Members reviewed the minutes from July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Council Member Roberts motioned to approve the City Council Meeting minutes for July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Council Member Smith seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

4. **WEBER COUNTY ELECTIONS ROADSHOW:**

Presenter: Lauren Shafer

- Ricky Hatch from Weber County Elections expressed that his elections team recognizes that state law allows you the discretion of who you are using for elections, so we are grateful for the opportunity to run your elections. It is our goal to be as open and transparent as possible.
- Election integrity in Weber County and Utah includes voter registration, ballot verification and chain of custody, scanning, tabulation, and equipment security, and voter responsibility.
- We want to make sure that the voter database is accurate. This is done by a partnership with Weber County and the Lt. Governor's Office. The Lt. Governor's office audits the counties and houses the programs that we use. They do come in and verify that the voters have been registered in accordance with the law.
- Voter registration includes verification of an individual's id by their social security number or driver's license. We make sure that there is no duplicate registration for citizens in multiple states. We also check for deceased voters and with USPS to verify changes of address. Voting by mail also helps us to keep things clean.
- He explained the security with the envelopes. They stay sealed during the entire verification process, and they include a secure control number. If a citizen requests a new ballot, the original control number is deactivated and a new control number is generated. Once the envelope is received it goes through a sorter two times that makes sure that the ballot belongs to the correct person and then we verify the signature. The signature process is also audited.
- We are extremely careful with the chain of custody. Every time that ballot is processed there are two election workers present and they are required to initial those cards. In Utah, the only equipment that is used must be certified by the U.S. Elections Assistance Commission. They have a set of standards that the equipment must adhere to. This equipment is never networked or connected to the internet.
- Voters can be responsible by updating their address and notifying the election office if they receive a ballot that belongs to someone else. They are also able to track their ballot by informed delivery through the USPS or through ballottrax.utah.gov.

5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ON UINTAH SPRINGS BUSINESS PARK – LOT 10:**

Presenter: Kim Rindlisbacher

- Kim Rindlisbacher stood from Scenic Development and explained that they have switched the use on this lot due to their septic system. We decided to change this to a use that will not require a lot of sewage. We

are proposing a three story climatized storage unit. We have full intentions to finish Lot 6 but are waiting on a few things.

- Council Member Bell asked if it would look similar to the other buildings and Mr. Rindlisbacher answered that it will be

classier than the other buildings. Council Member Bell also asked if having three stories is an issue. Mr. Guiller

answered that it meets all the necessary requirements.

- Mr. Rindlisbacher asked for an approval based on the use that was previously approved by the planning commission. Council Member Roberts asked about the boundary line adjustment on this to verify that the property is all in Weber County now and Mr. Rindlisbacher answered yes.
- Council Member Bell motioned to approve moving forward with the new site plan, change of use, and the boundary lot line for proposed Lot 10 at Uintah Springs Business Park
- Council Member Smith seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

#### **6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ORDINANCE 280-23 IMPLEMENTING WATERWISE LANDSCAPING:**

Presenter: Council Member Bell

- Council Member Bell explained that the City has a need to implement this ordinance to enter into a new contract with Weber Basin to purchase more water. This is also necessary if citizens wish to participate in flip your strip or other programs. The planning commission has met with Weber Basin several times to come up with this ordinance which was hard because of our lot sizes. This affects new people who come in to get a building permit or those who wish to retro cape their yards and participate in a waterwise program.
- Dan Combe from the planning commission stood and stated that the way Weber Basin wrote their ordinance made it almost impossible for a homeowner to do their own landscaping. We changed some of the wording so that homeowners would be able to adhere to these stipulations without having to hire someone. Uintah will look different, but this is what we had to do to get more water from Weber Basin.
- Council Member Roberts thanked Mr. Combe for taking this under his wing and using his expertise.
- Council Member Bell stated that we can either accept this ordinance or we have the option to not approve it, but if we don't, we cannot purchase any more water from Weber Basin for future residents. Our sole source of water comes from Weber Basin.
- Council Member Smith asked if the secondary water is enough for those who want to change their landscaping. Mr. Combe explained that what we are proposing is so that we can continue to purchase water and adhere to the guidelines that ultimately are coming from the state.
- Council Member Bell motioned to approve Ordinance 280-23 implementing waterwise landscaping.
- Council Member Smith seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

#### **7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ORDINANCE 281-23 AMENDING TITLE 12 WATER DEPARTMENT:**

Presenter: Council Member Bell

- Council Member Bell stated that this is our authority statement for the cross connection and code which is out of date. She updated the references to the plumbing codes and cut out some of the redundancy. The responsibility of the property owner is to protect their water and not contaminate their water system. It is state law that you have to put appropriate backflow devices depending on what you have in your yard. There are checklists to see what devices are best suited for what you have.
- In this month's newsletter she advised what people can put on their hoses to prevent contaminants from being sucked back into the home.
- Council Member Bell motioned to approve Ordinance 281-23 Amending Title 12 Water Department.
- Council Member Roberts seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

#### **8. COUNCIL COMMENT TO PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

9. CITY COUNCIL DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

**PARKS; BUILDINGS; NUISANCES; EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS; PLANNING COMMISSION – COUNCIL MEMBER BOOTHE - None**

**WATER; GARBAGE; CTC; U-DAY; NEWSLETTER – COUNCIL MEMBER BELL – CTC has a race coming on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup> and the sheriff's office will handle that.**

**ANIMAL CONTROL; WEBER COUNTY TRAILS; EQUIPMENT; ROADS – COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS - None**

**CEMETERY; SERVICE PROJECTS; RAILROAD RELATIONS – COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH - None**

**STORM WATER & FLOODPLAIN; GRANTS; FIRE DEPARTMENT; WACOG– MAYOR CUTLER – We are still trying to hire a part time person for the utility clerk position.**

10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Presenter: Mayor Cutler

- Council Member Bell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.
- Council Member Roberts seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

Michelle Mortensen  
Michelle Mortensen, Uintah City Recorder

8/15/23  
Date