

Mayor Gordon S. Cutler

**UINTAH CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Planning – Tim Petty

Council Members:

**TUESDAY, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Building Inspector - Jeff Monroe

Jerry Smith, Michelle Roberts, Kristi Bell

7:00 PM

Treasurer – Mike Ulrich

**MINUTES**

Sheriff – Lt. Pledger

Fire Chief – Marc A. Sacco

Attendees: Mayor Cutler, Kristi Bell, Michelle Roberts, Diane Johnson, Tim Petty, Marilyn Pearson, Robert Guiller, Lt. Pledger and Darinda Wallis.  
Excused: Jerry Smith

## **MEETING MINUTES:**

1. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cutler called the meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Cutler

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** Council members are required by law to file a public disclosure statement with the City Recorder listing business interests and investments that could create a conflict of interest with the duties of the Council Member. When a matter in which a Council member has a business or investment interest appears on the Council agenda, the Council member must publicly disclose that interest.

Mayor Cutler asked the Council if they had any conflicts of interest with tonight's agenda; there was none.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT (2 minutes per person):** (00:01:02)

- There was none.

3. **APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES HELD AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2018 AND WORK SESSION AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2018:** (00:01:22)

Presenter: Mayor Cutler

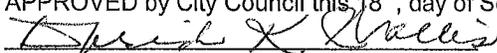
- Mayor Cutler remarked that we had a work session with UDOT and UDWR regarding their property along the river. They have decided to keep the property for wetland mitigation purposes.
- Kristi Bell motioned to approve the City Council meeting minutes held August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 and work session minutes for August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.
- Michelle Roberts seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked for any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion passed.

4. **DISCUSSION/APPOINTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TO SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020:** (00:02:45)

Presenter Mayor Cutler

- Mayor Cutler explained that we need to appoint a City Council member to fill the vacancy that was created when he was appointed to Mayor. He explained that the appointed member would serve until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 when the newly elected member takes office preceding the November 2019 elections.
- Mayor Cutler announced that we have had two citizens declare candidacy; Greg Johnson and Robert Guiller both of which would be an excellent choice. The Mayor commented that they both are involved and both love to serve our community.
- Mayor Cutler explained that they were both given a list of questions to answer in their own words while addressing the Council. He said that there was no predetermined pick of who would go first and randomly asked Robert Guiller to address the Council first.
- Both Robert Guiller and Greg Johnson addressed the following questions with the Council:
  - Please explain your professional and educational background.
  - Do you have any local government experience?
  - In our City, we have minimal staff. A position on the City Council is a working position in which you will be assigned areas of responsibility that you are accountable to the Mayor and citizens of Uintah. You will be required to attend meetings, investigate actions and requests, prepare required reports, make inspections, etc. and to report on your assignments at City Council Meetings.
  - Do you have any experience in any of the following areas:
    - Culinary water, City Planning, Roads, Parks care and maintenance
    - Cemetery planning/expansion/inventory of graves/grave location
    - Street lights: planning/location/city requirements, Roads: planning/maintenance, Snowplow planning/equipment maintenance
    - Railroad relations, Stormwater, Garbage collection/recycling, Public Relations
    - Web site design/maintenance
  - Do you feel that you are in a position to be able to do this work?
  - How many hours a month would you be able or available for meetings, research, etc., on your areas of responsibility?
  - What do you feel is the biggest obstacle you will encounter in serving on the City Council?

- Any additional information you would like to give that you feel is necessary for the Council to know to make their decision.
  - Mayor Cutler was impressed with both the candidates' love of community and remarked that when you vote general elections your vote remains anonymous. When you are appointing and doing City business we have to be transparent this makes this harder. Mayor Cutler stated that he was pleased that we had more than one candidate.
  - Michelle Roberts and Kristi Bell both thanked the candidates and remarked that they are both great choices.
  - Michelle Roberts remarked prior to making a motion she wanted to state the reason for her decision. She remarked that if we appoint Greg Johnson to City Council we get to keep both serving the City. Greg in City Council and Robert in the Planning Commission; thus a win-win situation for us.
  - Michelle Roberts motioned to appoint Greg Johnson to serve as a City Council member until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
  - Kristi Bell stated that before she seconds the motion she wanted to say one thing. She explained that she went back and reviewed the votes received at our last election and other than Gordon Cutler taking the majority of the votes; she and Greg had the remainder of the votes. She stated that a portion of the citizens did vote for Greg and having him back on the Council would satisfy those voters. Kristi also commented that if we appoint Greg he can hit the ground running.
  - Kristi Bell seconded the motion to appoint Greg Johnson to City Council.
  - Mayor Cutler asked all in favor; the motion passed.
  - Mayor Cutler thanked both candidates and stated that we will have elections again next year and urged them both to stay involved.
5. **OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED CITY COUNCIL MEMBER:** (00:27:44)  
Presenter: Darinda Wallis
- Darinda Wallis administered the oath of office of City Council Member to Gregory Johnson.
6. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT TO COUNCIL:** (00:29:54)  
Presenter: Tim Petty
- Tim Petty reported on the Planning Commission held August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
  - Tim directed the Council to item number three of the report. He stated that this talk about the railroad crossings was just for information from our City engineer Matt Hartvigsen.
  - Tim reported that they closed a conditional use permit because our ordinance no longer requires one for this business.
  - They had a discussion on a flag pole for Bill Picard. It was determined that the traditional 35 foot would be allowed in a residential zone.
  - The Commission decided that long term rentals could be taken care of with requiring a conditional use permit. Mayor Cutler thanked Tim for addressing this topic; short term rentals and Airbnb's are changing the fabric of some small communities.
7. **COUNCIL COMMENTS TO PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (00:40:12)
- There was none.
8. **CITY COUNCIL DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** (00:40:30)
- Mayor Cutler reported that at the UDOT/UDWR meeting they announced that they are not selling the property; they are saving it for any wetlands mitigation. DWR will be putting in a small parking lot and a split rail fence for angler's access.
  - Mayor Cutler commented that the railroad crossing on cemetery road is a potential problem if they try to raise the road; we will try to stay on top of this.
  - Mayor Cutler reported that Kristi Bell has been appointed to the State Water Board.
  - Mayor Cutler stated that he is currently working on the Council assignments and should be finished with them soon.
  - Kristi Bell wanted, in behalf of CTC, to thank the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Office for their assistance with their race. She named especially Tyler Greenhalgh who was very helpful and made the racers feel safe.
9. **MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** (00:43:59)  
Greg Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting.  
Seconded by Kristi Bell  
All in favor; the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.  
APPROVED by City Council this 18<sup>th</sup>, day of September, 2018.



DARINDA K. WALLIS, City Recorder