City Council Minutes
11 August 2020
6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting

1. Welcome
   Mayor Olsen welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Opening Ceremony
   Pledge: Mike Olsen
   Prayer: Justin Atkinson

3. Roll Call
   Present: Justin Atkinson, Kevin Stallings, Mike Olsen (Not voting), Russell Keisel, Rondy Black, Sam Draper.
   Others in attendance: Jeanne Tejada (Recorder), Colter Allen (Public Works Director), Lynn Beesley (Public Works Foreman), Jason Clawson, Dan & Diane Johnson, Vern Fischer, Rhett Wilkinson (Sanpete Messenger).

4. Approval of Agenda Items
   Motion: Accept the agenda items for the Regular August 11, 2020 City Council Meeting held at 6:30 p.m.
   Moved by Rondy Black
   Seconded by Justin Atkinson
   Motion passed unanimously

5. Approval of Minutes
   Motion: Approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting held at 6:30pm.
   Moved by Russell Keisel
   Seconded by Justin Atkinson
   Motion passed unanimously
   Motion: Approve the minutes of the July 28, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting held at 6:30 p.m.
   Moved by Justin Atkinson
   Seconded by Sam Draper
   Motion passed unanimously

6. Approval of Claims and Requisitions
   Claims--
   Motion: Approve the Invoice Register dated 7-28-2020 to 8-10-2020 in the amount of $581,406.11.
   Moved by Sam Draper
   Seconded by Rondy Black
   Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).
   Yes: Justin Atkinson, Kevin Stallings, Russell Keisel, Rondy Black, Sam Draper.
Requisition—Richmond Flooring, to put in new flooring at the City Library.

**Motion:** Approve Proposal Option #2 from Richmond Flooring in the amount of $5,554.50.

**Moved by** Kevin Stallings  
**Seconded by** Russell Keisel  
**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Justin Atkinson, Kevin Stallings, Russell Keisel, Rondy Black, Sam Draper.

7. **Discussion/Action: Irrigation Bill**

Dan Johnson came forward. He handed out some papers to the city council. He considered not coming because he does not want to cause problems with the Public Works Department. They have an acre size lot. He explained the situation behind his large irrigation bill he received from the city. There were three repairs that happened. He is requesting the bill he received have the amount changed and sent to his brother’s trust. Councilmember Atkinson suggested they come to an agreement that is fair for both sides. Councilmember Draper suggested that they split the bill in half, the city pay half and the bill be changed to Mr. Johnson’s brother’s trust and they pay half. $197.88 would be half.

**Motion:** Approve for the City to pay half the irrigation bill and Mr. Johnson’s brother, Jim Johnson (NDTCo) will pay the other half of the bill. Both will pay $197.88 for a total of $395.75.

**Moved by** Sam Draper  
**Seconded by** Justin Atkinson.  
**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Justin Atkinson, Kevin Stallings, Russell Keisel, Rondy Black, Sam Draper.

8. **Public Participation**

**Colter Allen**—Wants some guidance on water problems. There are some big users on Culinary which has run our tanks to an unsafe level. Would like to run the city lines, Wasatch, Sanpete Valley Hospital & North Sanpete School District all on separate days. The city has been having to run two wells to keep up with the usage right now. All entities will need to look at areas they can let go so that the water can go to the essential areas. Councilmember Draper wants to make sure that it is fair across the board. We will need to get the info to the citizens that there will be some watering going on separate from the days the citizens can water. There was a brief discussion on what to do with the water shortage and watering. There were several options discussed: One day a week letting even addresses water on Wed. and odd on Thursday; telling people to water, but once the pond is dry they’re out of luck; allow a couple days between even and odd addresses (evens Mon & odds Thurs). A citizen suggested
declaring a water emergency. Another suggested a bright flyer, explaining what is going on and letting them know they can water, but when it is gone it is gone. Diane Johnson offered to write a letter to the citizens.

**Vern Fischer & Marty (last name unknown)**—traffic on main street where they live, has broken the sides of the road. They are wondering if it could be turned to a one-way street from 400 East to 900 East. They think that getting the traffic in the middle of the road would save the sides of the road. Also wondering if a weight limit could be put on the same section so that semis cannot drive up that road. They are just wanting the council to consider this. Vern will make up a proposal to bring back to council.

**Jason Clawson**—wants council to know, that everything they have done to support public works, is working. There is a lot of mismarked lines, even the maps are wrong. From a contractor point of view, he has had to eat a lot of money. He is grateful for their votes to let him be on planning and zoning. He commits to make things better. He commends the public works department for all they do. What they must do is so diverse, they are faced with so many different things throughout the day. He hopes they appreciate all that the public works is doing for our city.

9. **Presentation on the Sewer**

Two gentlemen came forward to present about the SL RAT (Sewer Line Rapid Assessment Tool) for sewer lines. Currently we do 1/3 of the lines throughout the city annually. We are doing the best we can with what we have. Introduction to the SL RAT—it is new technology that does an acoustic inspection. By sending a sound down the pipe it can tell you sections that are backed up. Councilman Atkinson questioned still having a visual inspection, he sees the value in this and continuing to have the video done of the lines. They responded that some cities are doing the acoustic and cleaning the areas that show it is needed and if that does not take care of the problem, then they camera that area. There was some concerned expressed about the age of the cities system and that it still needs to have a camera sent in. The sound waves are tuned to 12-inch to 6-inch lines, to go manhole to manhole. It can go smaller and bigger, but it could give an incorrect read. They also discussed manhole inspections. Estimated cost to do the SL Rat to the system, annually, would be $25,154 an additional $5,300 to do the manhole inspections.

10. **Report by City Council Members**

---**Justin Atkinson**—reported that he spoke with Carl Larsen. We may get news and may need to move quickly to determine if we want to move forward with funding for the treatment project dealing with the wells. He also discussed citizens’ concerns that have been brought to him about the one day of watering.
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--Kevin Stallings—things going well. Reported the city flower gardens are looking good. He thinks we should investigate dry scape.

--Russell Keisel—nothing to report.

--Rondy Black—he's a fan of the acoustic sewer inspection, he'd like to see it happen.

He has reached out to Bryce at J-U-B to talk about the irrigation project. He would like to know what has been accomplished and what still needs to be done.

The council would like a project update maybe at city council.

--Sam Draper—read a message from a concerned citizen that was sent to iWorqs system. They are concerned about the amount of water in the pond. Councilmember Draper said that what they said is not all accurate. We need to find a better way to communicate information to the citizens.

Fires are going crazy. The Fire Department has been called out multiple times in the last 9 days. Things are drier than he has ever seen.

11. Report by Mayor
Friday night at 6:00pm Burgess Owens will be at the Contoy Arena. All mayors, and city council members are invited.

The new section of the cemetery was being surveyed today. The mayor questioned if the council should revisit the fees for our cemetery. The council feels it is worth looking into.

Reported on meeting with School Board about the old Elementary School. They told the mayor and 2 councilmen that they would give the old part of the elementary school to the city if the city will split the utilities.

Councilmember Keisel would like to have the police come and give a report on what is going on to City Council, like the other departments do. He would like an officer to attend council meeting. It may be needed in the near future.

12. Adjourn 9:38pm
Motion: Adjourn City Council Meeting.
Moved by Russell Keisel
Seconded by Rondy Black
Motion passed unanimously

Jeanne M. Tejada, Recorder