

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., at the Civic Center, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

Present: City Council: Norm Searle, Mayor
Braden Mitchell, Councilmember
Brent Ellis, Councilmember
Alan Arnold, Councilmember
Cody Hansen, Councilmember
Bart Stevens, Councilmember

City Employees: Rodger Worthen, City Administrator
Steve Brooks, City Attorney
Scott Brenkman, Police Chief
Jared Sholly, Fire Chief
Mike Eggett, Community Development
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Visitors: Julee Smith Carlotta Gomez Melissa Wayment
Di Anne Kathie Darbie Brett Benegar
Sandy Siefert Denette Stanger Chuck Kerkvliet
Dave Leahy

A. Welcome & Roll Call

The City Council meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Searle called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance, including all Council Members and all members of the public.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Searle invited Councilmember Stevens to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Moment of Silence

Mayor Searle called for a moment of silence and asked everyone to remember our police officers, fire fighters, U.S. Military service members, and members of the City Council as they make decisions this evening.

D. Public Comment

Mayor Searle invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and asked that they keep their comments to approximately three minutes. It was noted no action will be taken during Public Comment.

Dave Leahy, a Riverdale Resident, discussed the the memorial plaque for the Veterans Memorial. He discussed his progress in obtaining bids, and determined Rocking Stones to be the lowest bidder in the amount of \$1,500. The official name on the plaque will be, "Veterans Memorial, Riverdale Defenders of Freedom".

There was a brief discussion regarding funding and Councilmember Arnold suggested alternative funding methods in lieu of using city funds for the plaque.

Mr. Leahy asked about the option of having lights on the Veterans Memorial to allow proper viewing at night.

John Shoper, a Riverdale Resident, discussed the progression of the landslide in Riverdale and noted the four homes that have been evacuated as a result. He thanked all the emergencies responders, including the public works department that have assisted with the landslide. Mr. Shoper discussed various landslides that have occurred in cities including: Layton, Spring Hill, and North Salt Lake. He provided examples of how each municipality acted/responded during those landslides including: grant applications (such as the pre-disaster competitive grant through FEMA-Federal Emergency Management Agency), donations from local businesses, and National VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in a Disaster).

E. Presentations and Reports

1. YCC Family Crisis Center, presented by: Julee Smith, YCC Executive Director.

Julee Smith, the YCC Executive Director, expressed appreciation for the fire and police department. Ms. Smith discussed domestic violence and the impact it has on victims. She explained the services offered by the YCC which included housing these victims of domestic violence. The cost to house a person is \$150.00 per day, with the average stay of 45 days per person. The amount of services offered by the YCC has increased and as a result deaths by domestic

violence, have decreased. The YCC serves residents throughout Weber County, including Riverdale City. Last year 16 Riverdale residents benefited from the YCC services. Ms. Smith asked the City Council to consider budgeting \$4,000 to help the YCC. Mayor Searle expressed appreciation to Ms. Smith for her comments and said the City Council will consider this proposal during the next budget discussion in May.

2. Police Department – Swearing In

Police Brenkman introduced the new police officers and the City Recorder swore them in. Mayor Searle welcomed the two new officers.

3. Mayors Report

The Mayor did not give his report.

4. Landslide Update

Rodger Worthen, the City Administrator, explained the differences between the Riverdale landslide versus the Layton and North Salt Lake landslides. He discussed the various entities he has contacted and continues to contact in an effort to mitigate the impact to residents. Mr. Worthen discussed the grant application and award process pertaining to natural disasters.

March 7, 2018 – Mr. Worthen had a conversation with Ben Erickson, with the Utah Geological Survey (UGS), regarding measurement data for homes impacted by the slide. Mr. Worthen estimated about one foot of land is lost per week. The public works department monitored slide activity in relation to the water which appears to be traveling north and south. The Union Pacific railroad is improving their road, adjacent to the track, by building it up to avoid damage to the railroad. The property owners south of the landslide have been put on notice that due to the condition/lack of accessibility of the private road near the landslide, they will not have access to emergency services. Aerial footage was taken.

March 8, 2018 – Mr. Worthen had a conversation with the Division of Air Quality, Utah Department of Environmental Quality, regarding the evacuated home that contains asbestos. Following that conversation the City hired a contractor and the asbestos was scheduled to be removed.

March 9, 2018 – Mr. Worthen had a conversation with a municipality in Florida regarding natural disasters and municipality involvement.

March 13, 2018 – Mr. Worthen met with the Weber County elected officials, specifically Commissioner Harvey, Commissioner Gibson and Commissioner Ebert regarding emergency response. The discussion pertained to possible fundraising efforts for those impacted by the landslide. It was stated the City's position is emergency response which pertains to health, welfare and safety of the public.

March 14, 2018 – Mr. Worthen met with Ben Erickson to discuss the Geological core drill samples. The asbestos was removed from the evacuated home near the landslide.

March 15, 2018 – Residents contacted the City regarding water found in a valve box near the landslide. The residents believed there was a leak in the valve. The Public Works Director, Shawn Douglas, investigated and determined there was not a leak. The geological core samples showed sand, clay and soil on the bluff. The core sample information was shared with the Standard Examiner.

March 16, 2018 – Mr. Worthen had a conversation with Ben Erickson regarding adding additional GPS stakes on the 600 West roadway. Data is continuously being gathered in the landslide area.

March 19, 2018 – The landslide remains active and continues to drop soil.

March 20, 2018 – Mr. Douglas reviewed the aforementioned water valve and noted it was completely dry. The water which was found prior, was believed to be caused by snow melt.

5. City Administration Report

Mr. Worthen summarized the City Administration Report which includes city staff summaries, city staff anniversaries, the community development report (which includes newly opened businesses or anticipated businesses), and the treasurers report. There were no questions regarding these items.

F. Consent Items

- 1. Review of meeting minutes for the Strategic Planning meeting held on February 24, 2018 and the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting minutes held on March 6, 2018.**

Mayor Searle invited any corrections or comments for the above referenced meeting minutes. During the work session meeting, Councilmember Mitchell requested a change to the February 24, 2018 Strategic Planning Meeting, line 170, changing the name "Good Recycled Earth" to "Recycled Earth".

MOTION: Councilmember Mitchell moved to approve the consent items as amended. Councilmember Ellis seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

G. Action Items

1. Consideration of Resolution 2018-05, multiple policy amendments.

Stacey Comeau, in Human Resources, summarized the executive summary which explained:

After conducting a risk assessment, it was determined that these written safety policies should be included in the risk management/safety portion of the Personnel Policies Handbook.

Policy 11-10 establishes and clarifies responsibilities between the City and the canine handler, also establishing compensation for the care of the canine off duty.

It was noted Ms. Comeau researched other entities to determine policy standards.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2018-05, multiple policy amendments. Councilmember Hansen seconded the motion.

Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. There was not a discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Ellis, Mitchell, Arnold, Hansen, and Stevens all voted in favor of Resolution 2018-05.

2. Consideration of Resolution 2018-06, adoption of the cooperative agreement between the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands and Riverdale City.

Jared Sholly, Fire Chief, summarized the executive summary which explained:

The State of Utah has required the Forestry, Fire, and State Land Fire to have a strategy for catastrophic wildfire reduction and funding. Effective January 1, 2017, Utah Administrative Code Rule R652-122 provides the requirements and purpose of the Cooperative Fire Protection agreement between counties, cities, towns, or special service districts. Riverdale Fire Department now meets the certification requirements and is able to meet all requirements of this agreement.

Utah Administrative Code found at <https://rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r652/r652-122.htm#T4>

Purpose and Goal of this Agreement

- Authorizes funding for the suppression of large and extended wild land and urban interface fires, within the service area of counties, cities, towns and special service districts
- Defines Local Government Obligations
 - Initial Fire Attack
 - Training and maintaining of certifications and equipment standards
 - Community Wildfire Protection Programs (CWPP)
 - Participation Commitment is identified by threat level at \$0.40/acre for "high risk" and \$0.30/acre of medium risk. (See Attached Financial Statement)
- Cost Recovery for extended events.

There is no financial obligation with this agreement. The assessed commitment will be paid through Wildfire prevention, preparedness and mitigation activities within the city (See attached "Blue Sheet").

There was a brief discussion regarding organizing a fire prevention event. It was noted the date of the event will be advertised in the City Newsletter.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2018-06, adoption of the cooperative agreement between the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands and Riverdale City. Councilmember Ellis seconded the motion.

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Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. There was not a discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Mitchell, Arnold, Hansen, Stevens, and Ellis all voted in favor of Resolution 2018-06.

H. Discretionary Items

Councilmember Mitchell and Councilmember Arnold thanked the city staff for all of their efforts in relation to the landslide.

I. Adjournment.

MOTION: Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Mitchell made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arnold; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Norm Searle, Mayor

Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Date Approved: April 17, 2018