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
Shawn Douglas, Public Works Director
Mike Eggett, Community Development
Jared Sholly, Fire Chief
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Visitors: Jason Watterson Matt Hennessy and Family
Nick Jensen Jr. VanDyke
Brett Benegar Dean Gallegos
Matt Slater Steven Whetton
Cameron Cessna David Ermer
Becky Meehan
Not everyone in the audience signed in.

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 Hansen 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. No action will be taken during public comment.

Nick Jensen, on behalf of Bonneville High School, requested the annual $500 donation for the Bonneville High School senior graduation class party. This donation is requested from surrounding cities that have residents who attend the Bonneville High School. Mr. Jensen expressed the importance of this activity as it provides a safe fun activity for students. Mayor Searle noted the donation was already included in the Riverdale City budget.

Brett Benegar, a Riverdale Resident, thanked the Mayor and City Council that assisted in the garage sale on Saturday for the purpose of raising funds for homeowners impacted by the landslide located in Riverdale City. Mr. Benegar suggested installing a camera near the landslide for the purpose of tracking the progression. Mayor Searle thanked Mr. Benegar for his suggestion and noted over $11,000 was raised at the fundraiser.

E. Presentations and Reports

1. Mayors Report
   a. Council Committee Assignment Reports

   Mayor Searle reported new businesses that will soon be open in Riverdale City, Floor and Décor and Stratera Chiropractic.

2. TAP Award to Riverdale City
Jason Watterson, with the Utah Local Government Trust, presented Riverdale City the Trust Accountability Program Award (TAP). This award recognizes city staff’s continued efforts in safety programs and accident prevention. He further explained less than 20 percent of ULCT members receive this award. Mr. Watterson specifically thanked Stacey Comeau, Riverdale Human Resources, for her efforts in documenting the safety programs.

3. Swearing In and Incident Recognition Awards

Jared Sholly, the Fire Chief, provided a brief history of each of the three fire fighters that were sworn in, JR Vandyke, Lance Beech and Mitch Preator. The City Recorder, Jackie Manning, swore in the new fire fighters.

Chief Sholly presented awards to fire fighters in recognition of their good work for unique events.

Fire Captain Matt Hennessy provided details regarding the incident which occurred on July 5, 2017 which entailed the usage of the heavy rescue vehicle. The heavy rescue was used to untangle a person from a large piece of farm equipment. Awards were given to Matt Hennessy, David Kingsley, Dean Gallegos and Eddie Graham.

Chief Sholly provided details regarding an incident that occurred on July 26, 2017 involving a plane crash. The incident took two and a half hours for the fire fighters to extricate the plane crash victims. Awards were given to Dave Ermer, Jordan Cubbedge, Paul Flaig, Matt Slater, Dave Griggs, Dean Gallegos, Steve Stenquist and Lance Beech.

Chief Sholly provided details regarding an incident that occurred on September 5, 2017 involving a fire in Uintah City. The fire posed a threat to structures along Interstate 84. This fire was described as dangerous and the method of fighting fire with fire was used to maintain and control the direction of the fire. Chief Sholly explained the fire fighters involved at one point lost communication for a brief time period and conducted themselves in a professional and smart manner. Awards were presented to Dean Gallegos, Steve Stenquist, Steve Whetton and Mitch Preator.

Mayor Searle expressed gratitude for the fire department and all of their hard work.

4. Landslide Update

Rodger Worthen, the City Administrator, provided an update regarding the landslide in Riverdale. The Union Pacific Railroad has been actively monitoring their service road parallel to the bottom of the landslide.

April 5, 2018 – Mr. Worthen had a conversation over the phone with Gary Manning, the daughter of one of the evacuated land owners near the landslide, regarding the notice to vacate letter which was sent to the mortgage company.

April 9, 2018 – Ben Erickson, with Utah Geological Survey (UGS), coordinated a visit to the landslide area.

April 10, 2018 – Mr. Worthen met with Steve Bowman, the Director of UGS, representatives from Utah Governor Herbert’s Office, and representatives from the Division of Natural Resources, to discuss the geology and progression of the landslide. Measurements from the landslide are pending. The photographs of the landslide, taken by the Davis County Sheriff’s office, were made available to the public.

April 13, 2018 – Mr. Worthen investigated the feasibility of pursuing a pre-disaster mitigation grant offered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which has submission deadlines in July to September of 2018. One of the complications of this grant is the no duplication efforts of grants may be made for an area, which would limit other grants the City could seek. Mr. Worthen had discussions with FEMA representative Brad Bartholomew regarding this grant and it was explained no costs up to the date of award would be reimbursed. One other point to consider, is this grant requires the entity applying to become the sponsor, meaning they would potentially own the land referenced in the application. This could potentially be a liability the City must consider before applying for this grant.

April 16, 2018 – Mr. Worthen reviewed the option of the evacuated homes being demolished under the building code. Mr. Worthen had a conversation with Mr. Bowman regarding the possibility of having an aerial flyover with GPS coordinates of the landslide area, conducted by the State of Utah. There would be a cost for this service, so Mr. Worthen will contact the City Manager of Washington Terrace, Tom Hansen, as well as the Weber County GIS department to review the option of cost sharing.

April 17, 2018 – Mr. Worthen reviewed the Natural Resources Conservation (NRCs) emergency water protection grant, which involves 75 percent federal funding with the requirement of 25 percent coming from the local entity. This grant relates to agricultural purposes, such as replanting, draining and moving earth. This may be beneficial to the hillside property owners as well as the property owners below the landslide.

Mr. Worthen emphasized the landslide area is still very active and dangerous. He urged the public to stay out of that area. Data from the piezometer tests is still pending, and when available will be released to the public.

Councilmember Arnold discussed potential liability that could result if the homes were demolished.
5. City Administration Report

Mr. Worthen, Chief Sholly, and Mayor Searle presented awards to those staff members who met their 5 year incremental service awards. Awards were presented to Mike Eggett, in Community Development, for his 5 years of service and as well as Paul Flaig, in the Fire Department, for his 35 years of service.

Mr. Worthen reviewed the remainder of the City Administration report and there were no questions regarding this report.

F. Consent Items

1. Review of meeting minutes for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting minutes held on March 20, 2018 and April 3, 2018.

Mayor Searle invited any corrections or comments for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting minutes held on March 20, 2018 and April 3, 2018. There were no requested changes regarding the meeting minutes.

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

G. Action Items


Shawn Douglas, the Public Works Director, summarized the executive summary which explained:

Riverdale City has standards that are required to be met for construction and development. Changes were made to part numbers, pipe classifications, and asphalt mix to apply to accommodate the new standards. Changes were also made to the standards to accommodate the remote read meters no being used. The new standards will be available electronically and be posted on the Riverdale City website. Mr. Douglas recommended approval of this item. There was a name correction requested during the City Council Work Session meeting relating to the cover page of the Development Standards, which had "Doug Stevens" instead of "Bart Stevens".

MOTION: Councilmember Hansen moved to approve Resolution 2018-07, adopting the Public Works Construction and Development Standards subject to the name correction on the cover page. Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion.

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 2018-07. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Discretionary Items

There were no discretionary items discussed.

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 6:48 p.m.

Norm Searle, Mayor  Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Date Approved: May 1, 2018