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 Rodger Worthen, the City Administrator, 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.

There were no comments made.

E. Presentations and Reports

1. Mayors Report

The Mayor elected to give his report during the discretionary portion of this meeting.

2. Oath of Office – New Officer Jacob Stanger

Chief Brenkman introduced Officer Jacob Stanger and discussed his experience and job history. Officer Jacob Stanger took an oath of office, sworn in by the City Recorder, Jackie Manning.

3. Landslide Update

Mr. Worthen provided updates relating to the landslide located within Riverdale City. Mr. Worthen explained the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) within Utah has some programs that may be beneficial to the landowners at the bottom of the landslide. The grants/programs offered by the NRCS would be for the purpose of land restoration, such as debris removal. There may be an environmental quality incentive program which could help the landowners improve their water quality. Mr. Worthen will give this information to the landowners, Mike and Becky Meehan.

June 16, 2018 – The Davis County Sheriff's office flew the drone over the landslide area. The pictures from this flight will be posted on the Utah Geological Survey (UGS) website shortly.
July 3, 2018 – Mr. Worthen met with Ben Erickson, who works for UGS, regarding the condition of the landslide. At that point in time Mr. Erickson noted the landslide area is still active and dangerous and continues to have land sluff off nearer to the evacuated homes.

Councilmember Mitchell asked if there would be updated measurements from the landslide to the evacuated homes. Mr. Worthen explained one of the property owners has requested that no one access his property for any reason, so measurements will not be acquired for one of the properties.

F. Consent Items

1. Consideration to approve the City Council meeting minutes from: June 19, 2018 Work Session and Regular Meeting.

   Mayor Searle invited any corrections or comments regarding the above referenced meeting minutes. There were no changes requested.

2. Consideration to appoint Rodger Worthen as the Riverdale City Administrator.

   Councilmember Arnold asked what the terms and conditions were for this appointment. The City Attorney, Steve Brooks, explained the Mayor has the sole authority of appointment with the advice and consent of the City Council. The Mayor has chosen to appoint Rodger Worthen as the City Administrator. This appointment allows Mr. Worthen to be employed while the City Administrator contract is negotiated. There are no specific terms to this appointment.

   MOTION: Councilmember Mitchell moved to approve the consent items as proposed. Councilmember Ellis seconded the motion.

   There was not any discussion regarding this motion. Mayor Searle called for a roll call vote.

   ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Ellis, Mitchell, Arnold and Stevens all voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Hansen voted in opposition of the motion. The motion carried with a majority vote.

G. Action Items


   Police Chief, Scott Brenkman, summarized the executive summary which explained:

   The Court has an established a community service work program, administered and staffed by Court personnel and by volunteer and court-ordered community service workers. Riverdale City has had an agreement with the court for years to remove graffiti from property throughout the city. This agreement has been a benefit to the city and offers a cost effective way to remove graffiti. This year the maximum amount set under the agreement is $1,000. Work will be billed monthly at the rate of $40 for work during the first hour and $20 for each 30 minutes of work completed after the first hour, per crew and will be billed monthly by use. If we exceed the $1,000, we can request to increase the amount and continue the service. Crews consist of 6-8 youth volunteers and 1-2 deputy probation officers. This agreement has been a valuable resource to the city in the past and Chief Brenkman recommend approval of the agreement.

   MOTION: Councilmember Hansen moved to approve Resolution 2018-17, Interlocal Agreement between Riverdale City and the Utah State Second District Juvenile Court for Graffiti Removal Services. Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion.

   Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. Councilmember Mitchell asked if the City could have input regarding the color used to paint over graffiti. There was a discussion regarding the various colors used to paint over graffiti with an emphasis on beautification. Chief Brenkman stated he will share the paint concerns.

   ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Mitchell, Arnold, Hansen, Stevens and Ellis all voted in favor of the motion.

2. (Item tabled from 06/19/2018 City Council Meeting) Consideration of Resolution 2018-12, adopting an Employment Contract for the Riverdale City Administrator.

   Mayor Searle explained this item will need to be removed from the table before it can be discussed.
MOTION: Councilmember Mitchell moved to remove action item 2, consideration of Resolution 2018-12, adopting an employment contract for the Riverdale City Administrator, from the table. Councilmember Ellis seconded the motion.

There was no discussion regarding this motion.

CALL THE QUESTION: All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Searle explained this is the same contract that was presented to the City Council when this item was first presented at the June 5, 2018 City Council Meeting. He invited discussion amongst the City Council.

There was a discussion regarding the expiration of the city administrator contract. Councilmember Hansen expressed concern regarding the expiration of the contract and expressed disappointment regarding the lack of accountability. Mayor Searle explained Mr. Worthen told the city staff, in an all employee training, he took full responsibility for the lapse in his contract. Councilmember Arnold also expressed concern regarding the expired contract and felt the contract itself seemed too extravagant.

There was a discussion regarding the State of Utah with relation to city administrator's contracts and it was noted the majority of cities within Utah have contracts for their City Administration positions due to the volatility of the position. Councilmember Mitchell, Ellis and Stevens each expressed a favorable point of view regarding Mr. Worthen and the city administrator contract.

MOTION: Councilmember Ellis moved to approve Resolution 2018-12, adopting an Employment Contract for the Riverdale City Administrator. Councilmember Mitchell seconded the motion.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Stevens, Ellis and Mitchell voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Arnold and Hansen voted in opposition of the motion. The motion carried with a majority vote.

H. Executive Session.

THERE WAS NO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THIS MEETING.

I. Discretionary Items

Mayor Searle informed the City Council of the upcoming re-grand opening for the newly remodeled business, Best Buy. The grand opening will be on July 13, 2018. The business El Pollo Loco is also planning a tentative grand opening at the end of July. There is a new office building site plan forthcoming for the Brook Haven subdivision, located within the West Bench RDA area. He noted the details of the Design Review Committee relating to that project and explained it will be before the City Council shortly. Mayor Searle wished everyone a happy July fourth.

Mr. Worthen reminded the City Council of the upcoming meeting on July 31, 2018, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the Washington Terrace Public Works Building for the purpose of discussing the fire district study results. The City Councilmembers from Washington Terrace and South Ogden City will also be present to hear the results of the study. A formal email will be sent to the Council shortly regarding that meeting.

J. Adjournment.

MOTION: Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Arnold made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ellis; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Norm Searle, Mayor
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Date Approved: July 17, 2018