**Willard City Council Meeting**

**March 28, 2024, 6:30 p.m.**

**Willard City Council Chambers**

**Members Present:** Mayor Travis Mote

Council Member Mike Braegger

Council Member Jacob Bodily

Council Member Rod Mund

Council Member Rex Christensen

Council Member Jordan Hulsey

**Staff Present:** Jeremy Kimpton, City Manager

Colt Mund, City Attorney

Bryce Wheelwright, City Planner

Madison Brown, City Planner

Susan Obray, City Recorder

Theron Fielding, Chief

**Others Present:** Diana Baker

Chad Braegger

Ken Ormond

Ruth Ormond

Mark Murphy

Lynn Murphy

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order, and it began with an invocation led by Mayor Mote, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Christensen.

## **Conflict of Interest Declaration**

There were no conflicts of interest declared during the meeting.

## **Open Comment Period**

The open comment period was announced, but there were no comments from the public, leading to the closing of the comment period.

## **Planning Commission Report**

Commissioner Diana Baker reported on recent Planning Commission activities, including training on the Open and Public Meetings Act, discussions on a conditional use permit for liquor, amendments to zoning ordinances, and considerations for further interstate exits. The Planning Commission is also investigating a potential ordinance for residential areas relating to Airbnb.

## **Presentations and New Business**

### **Certify the Bob Davis petition for Annexation. Approximately 45 Acres**

There was no discussion on this item. This agenda item will be postponed until the April 25, 2024, meeting.

### **Approval of Resolution 2024-02 Declaring two vehicles to be sold as surplus and one to be surplus in kind.**

The council discussed and approved Resolution 2024-02, which declared two vehicles to be sold as surplus and one to be donated in kind. This agenda item was discussed in the previous meeting.

**Motion:** Council Member Mund moved to adopt resolution 24-02 Seconded by Council Member Bodily. Roll call vote. Council Member Mund, Council Member Bodily, Council Member Braegger, Council Member Christensen, and Council Member Hulsey. The motion carried.

**Recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding a petition from Marc Anderson to rezone approximately 3.16 acres from A-5 to R-1/2**

In-depth discussion about rezoning 3.16 acres from A-5 to R-1/2 was held, highlighted by concerns about access, sewer, and the alignment of property boundaries to maintain coherence with the overall city plan. The Planning Commission had previously held a public hearing. No concerns.

**Motion**: Council Member Mund moved to approve the rezone of the Marc Anderson's property. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-04 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Brigham City Corporation to Provide Animal Control Services.**

There was discussion regarding the letter from the Brigham City Mayor regarding the non-renewal of the animal control contract with Brigham City. The Council discussed implications and future actions in response to Brigham City's decision not to renew the animal control contract. Options for maintaining service were considered, including potential changes in how services are delivered or seeking alternate providers. The contract will end June 30, 2025. Chief Fielding said there is talk about constructing two new shelters, one in the County and one in Tremonton. In the meantime, he will talk with Weber County regarding taking Willards animals there. He said Willard does not take that many animals to the shelter.

**Motion:** Council Member Mund moved to approve Resolution 2024-04. Seconded by Council Member Bodily. Roll call vote. Council Member Bodily, Council Member Mund, Council Member Braegger, Council Member Christensen, and Council Member Hulsey. 5 Aye and 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**Approval of Resolution 2024-05 Approving the Municipal Wastewater Program Annual Report.**

Discussion of the Municipal Wastewater Program Annual Report resulted in the decision to table the resolution due to inaccuracies and a need for further clarification and corrections.

**Motion:** Council Member Braegger moved to table until they have more information regarding the numbers in the survey Seconded by Christensen. Motion carried.

**G**. **Discussion on vacating the sewer easement on properties east of 100 west.**

The council discussed progress on vacating a sewer easement on properties east of 100 West. Further steps were outlined, including preparing a petition and coordinating with the city engineer to address any effects on utility lines Ordinance to include new water allocation, the need for amending the subdivision ordinance to incorporate new water allocation regulations was discussed, with a focus on ensuring future developments adhere to sustainable water use practices. The City Council will hold a public hearing in May for this agenda item.

**Minutes Approval of the February 8, 2024, City Council Minutes**

**Motion**: Council Member Braegger moved to approve the minutes with corrections from February 8, 2024, Council Member Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Approval of the March 14, 2024, City Council Minutes**

The March 14, 2024, council minutes were not available for review. Will be on the next agenda.

**Financials**

Payment Approval: Approved and signed.

**Department Reports**

**Public Works**

Connext Internet will be coming through Willard they have their permit. Beehive Internet will not be coming because of Connext coming. Council Member Christensen stated the internet box on the ground is more prone to get damaged instead of the connection on the poles.  
Discussion on Betty Davis. The City Engineer gave two options to solve the issue (sluffing of ground) in front of her house, one, to widen the road, or 2. To place rocks and stabilize the hill from sluffing down. The Mayor and Council preferred the rocks to be placed in front of her house. Jeremy will talk with Payden Vine, Public Works Director.

**Fire Department**

Nothing to report.

**Police**

Nothing to report.

**Council Member Reports**

**Jacob Bodily**

Nothing to report.

**Rod Mund**

Complimented Council Member Hulsey on the new traffic flow at the school. He asked about when the playground equipment was going to be installed. Stickers on City trucks, some residents are complaining they are too small.

**Mike Braegger**

Reported Hargis Hill Road bids have gone out to get the issue fixed. There is a 5X6 chuck hole that needs to be repaired on Hargis Hill Road. He said there are some trees that are down on 200 west that need to be cleared out. He said 200 west needs new guard rail put up, it is a liability and needs to be fixed. Council Member Braegger asked Jeremy to have Payden figure something out to remedy the problem.

**Rex Christensen**

Council Member Christensen had concerns about broken garbage cans. He said the garbage company is hard on the can. He asked if Willard had an issue. Jeremy went to lunch with the representative from Republic Garbage Service. He said they talked a lot about missing cans and cans that are getting broken. It was discussed about getting the garbage cans from Rotational Molding which are a better made can.

**Jordan Hulsey**

She thanked Bryce for his years of service.

**Mayor’s General Correspondence**

G & H on the agenda will stay on for the next meeting.

Mayor received an email to place a box at the city offices to put fresh produce in for a donation center. He asked if the council members wanted to respond to this. It was suggested to email and find out more information. April 11th is the County water meeting. He wanted to move the next Council meeting to 5:00 p.m. so that Council can attend if they choose. Mayor Mote said he is planning an open house regarding land use with South Willard in May.

**City Manager’s Report**

The City Manager expressed appreciation for the contributions Bryce Wheelwright made to the city. Madison Brown will be the new Planner for Willard City and will do an excellent job.

**Adjourn**

**Motion:** Council Member Braegger moved to adjourn. Council Member Bodily seconded the motion. Motion carried.