

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE SPRINGVILLE CITY COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CIVIC CENTER, 110 SOUTH MAIN
STREET, SPRINGVILLE, UTAH, IN THE COUNCIL WORK ROOM.

Presiding: Mayor Matt Packard

Board Members and Staff in Attendance: Councilmember Liz Crandall, Cason Acor, Ann Anderson, Todd Fischio, Deborah Hall, Mike Florence, Scott Duncan, Mariah Hurst, Bryan Smith, Jennifer Grigg, Troy Fitzgerald, and Josh Yost.

Call to Order at 6:02 p.m.

Mayor Packard called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Agenda

1. Introduction of Board Members and Staff - Mayor Packard

Each member introduced themselves. Mayor Packard said they were chosen to represent the city geographically, demographically and because they are not afraid to speak up, and they are not offended by differing opinions. He asked for recommendations to expand the board.

2. Review of New Boards - Mayor Packard

Mayor Packard reviewed some changes to the city boards including Utility, PAR (Parks, Arts & Recreation), and Community. Each board is organized by concentrations, can create ad hoc committees, and refers and reports to the Planning Commission or the City Council. Having two elected officials on each board gives gravitas to the recommendations.

3. Introduction to the Community Board - Mayor Packard

a) Board Function

He continued by explaining this board is interested in the feeling of Springville, what it looks like and what we want it to look like. There are things we do well and things we can do better.

b) Board Responsibilities

He asked the board to work on updating the General Plan as a first assignment.

c) Meeting Conduct

Mayor Packard continued to housekeeping by explaining terms of service, choosing a chair and vice-chair, and asked for thoughts on a schedule.

4. The Springville General Plan - Josh Yost, Community Development Director

Director Yost defined a general plan as a detailed document describing what Springville City wants to be. It will shape the vision and the policy for the future. He suggested the update needs to be a living document. It is not law, just an advisory document. Mr. Duncan postulated that a general plan is like the constitution and involves zoning. Ms. Hurst asked how often general plans are updated. Administrator Fitzgerald said the document is amended about three times a year. Director Yost continued by explaining a Utah law with the acronym, LUDMA (Land Use, Development, and Management Act). He continued by explaining how a general plan works. The work of this board will be

to establish a perspective for the future of our city and a template for planning and regulations. Master development plans, like sewer, and water, will take cues from the general plan and establish standards, and direct actions. Implementing the general plan is a classic struggle. All departments and elected officials should be looking back at this document and reporting to the community when things are done. This is the top document for the city and charges staff with monitoring progress. It also requires authentic and broad-based community engagement. This board will recommend to the Planning Commission, which will recommend to the City Council, which will adopt the general plan.

Director Yost continued his presentation by explaining anyone can participate in updating the plan and staff plans to cast as wide a net as possible. He referred to a general plan from 1972 and explained Springville City is not a monocentric city anymore. It has many neighborhoods and hubs around town with a variety of density, transportation, infrastructure, and investment needs to include in the general plan. Mr. Duncan asked about extending city limits and the Annexation Declaration Policy.

Administrator Fitzgerald pointed out that citizens, boards, and departments will suggest great ideas; some of which are complicated or expensive to implement and not universally accepted by the majority of residents. Director Yost said the current general plan has some wonderful but impractical ideas and he maintained that an updated general plan must be a functional document. He asked the board to read the existing plan and explained a textbook he is ordering.

Director Yost continued his presentation by asking the members of the board to walk and bike around town to add perspective and increase their sense of what they like and don't like about Springville. Administrator Fitzgerald suggested tours during board meetings. Mayor Packard asked for volunteers for the chair and vice-chair. Mr. Duncan asked about commitment to this general plan. Mayor Packard answered his hope is it will be a user-friendly document that staff can work with and tell future developers of the hours spent creating it with its pattern for what the city should look like.

Councilmember Crandall agreed and asked elected officials and staff to pay attention to the plan. She continued by saying because of citizen input, this will be a better document containing more points of view. Administrator Fitzgerald noted that the Planning Commission and the City Council are dedicated to the plan, but they are in the line of fire, meaning developers come to the Planning Commission and City Council with money invested in a plan and property, making it hard for the City Council or Planning Commission to hold that line.

He continued by saying the idea behind this committee is members can act as advocates offering a different perspective outside of just development. When needed, they can attend a City Council or Planning Commission meeting and explain the time and thought behind the ideas in the general plan document, advocating for the plan and giving City Council and Planning Commission members a backstop to defend decisions concerning the general plan. Director Yost concurred and stated he feels much support as a city planner. He concluded his presentation by praising the dedication of board members to seeing through the implementation of a well-crafted general plan.

Mayor Packard asked for volunteers, nominations, and seconds for the chair and vice-chair. Mariah Hurst was elected chair and Cason Acor was elected vice-chair.

ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

This document constitutes the official minutes for the Springville City Community Board Meeting held on Wednesday, March 30, 2022.

I, Jennifer Grigg, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Deputy Recorder for Springville City, of Utah County, State of Utah. I do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes represent a true and accurate, and complete record of this meeting held on Wednesday, March 30, 2022.

DATE APPROVED: _____

Jennifer Grigg
Deputy Recorder

