

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 08, 2023

ATTENDING: Mayor Ren Hatt, Council Members Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff; Employees; Tyler Hunt, Robin Hunt, Julie Spadafora, Janet Smoak, Gayna Salinas; Citizens; Ed Korycan.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Ren Hatt, the meeting began at 7:02 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Pledge of Allegiance is directed by Bo Harrison.

ABSENT: Larry Packer

1. Discuss/approve/deny new Planning Commission members- Mayor Ren Hatt announced the names for the new Planning Commission members as Dustin Gingerich full time member and Gayna Salinas as an alternate member. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve the new Planning Commission members Dustin Gingerich. Bo Harrison second the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve Gayna Salinas as an alternate Planning Commission member. Ben Lehnhoff seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried.

2. Discuss/approve/deny MOU with the Epicenter for Pearl Baker Park- Mayor Ren Hatt spoke, Pearl Baker Park will be offered free water and sewer, and at some point, the park will be deeded back to the city. One of the main points of the contract were; if any major changes are made, such as cutting down any large trees or changing anything that is structural, the city must first consult with Epicenter. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to approve the MOU with the Epicenter for Pearl Baker Park. Kent Nelson second the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried. The agenda was opened for further discussion. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the MOU with the Epicenter for Pearl Baker Park with the addition of a 1-to-2-year renewal date. Kent Nelson seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried.

3. Discussion on selling city property in the east industrial park, parcel # 1-153B-4- Mayor Ren Hatt made a motion to table this discussion until the next City Council meeting on September 12, 2023. **MOTION:** Kathy made a motion to be tabled for a later date. Kent Nelson seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried.

4. Discuss/approve/deny raise for Loni Meadows- There was discussion by the City Council, Bo Harrison spoke and suggested a raise of \$1.50 per hour. This would make her wage \$21.00 per hour. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to approve a raise of \$1.50 for Loni Meadows. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried.

5. Discuss/approve/deny proclamation proclaiming September 2023 to be suicide prevention and awareness month – Mayor Ren Hatt read the proclamation out loud to the council. Utah has been consistently in the top 10 states for suicide deaths since 2012, and currently 9th in the

nation. Carbon, Emery, and Grand Counties lead the state of Utah in suicide deaths per capita. Awareness training and proper educational treatments can be greatly effective. By knowing the signs and treatments for suicide it can be avoided. The proclamation can be posted on Facebook and posted in all public places. Gayna Salinas gave a suggestion to have someone from the Health Department come to the high school to talk to our youth about suicide prevention and the signs. Having a booth at Melon Days would be a great place to have something. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve the proclamation to proclaim September 2023 suicide prevention and awareness month. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan, and Ben Lehnhoff voted aye. The motion carried.

6. Employee reports- Janet Smoak reported on Utah Exhibit Tour schedule and applying for grants that will help with signage on the River Walk. Jackie Nelson has retired after 11 years of service and Emily Roundy is leaving for college this month. She is currently advertising for two part-time replacements. Robin Hunt reported on Cat Fish On the Green this weekend with 140 entries. Outlaw Day's registration has opened. Tyler Hunt reported on the CIB and the Sewer Application, Museum Trail project is moving along smoothly, He is currently working on improving the City's Fraud Risk Assessment score.

7. Adjourn, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Ren Hatt, Mayor

Julie Spadafora, City Recorder

Approved: September 12, 2023