

WORK MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH
SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Ephraim City Council convened in a work meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, in the City Council Room. Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Scott, Mayor
Tyler Alder,
Mayor Pro Tem
Margie Anderson
Lloyd Stevens
Richard Wheeler

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Alma Lund

STAFF PRESENT

Sean Lewis, City Manager
Daniel Van Beuge, City
Attorney
Bryan Kimball,
Community Development

Megan Spurling, Planner
Jon Knudsen, Finance Dir.
Jeff Jensen, Public Works
Cory Daniels, Power Dir.
Colby Zeeman, Police
Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief
Michael Patton, Rec Dir.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Bryan Kimball, Community Development Director

- Reported on the changes in the Community Development department. Megan Spurling will be taking the planner position. Megan's position has been posted.

Cory Daniels, Power Director

- Cory presented a plaque that the members of the Red Mesa Solar Project, we are getting about 500 kw an hour from the solar project.
- The city has used 656,000 less kilowatt hours this September than we did last year at this time. It has been much cooler this year than it was last year.

Jeff Jensen, Public Works Director -

- An update was given on well number three. The transfer switch has been installed.
- Most of public works is doing cement down by Skyline Chiropractic. The cement work will outweigh the budget.
- Kelly Snyder has given his notice and will be moving back to St. George due to not being able find affordable housing. His last day is the 28th. Jeff expressed his concern

about the lack of affordable housing in Ephraim City. An affordable housing option is being pursued by the mayor and city manager.

Colby Zeeman, Police Chief

- Reported on the promotions that were done. Steven Cragun was offered and accepted the lieutenant position and Jordan Garff was offered and accepted the sergeant position.
- Reported on the semi rollover. The driver reported his brakes went out.
- The Mayor asked Chief Zeeman about the semi parked out over on the road south side of Wal-Mart, Colby will follow up with Steven Brandt, who was supposed to speak to them.
- The Mayor brought up some of the semis hauling logs and using their jake breaks through the residential neighborhoods. Colby will follow up with them and get a contact from Aaron Broomhead.

Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief

- Chief Hermansen reported on a proposed burn. It will be approximately 1400 acres up the canyon starting September 28-November 30. A map was presented of where the fires would be and what the process would be. The Mayor expressed concern about runaway fires, our water supply and other important structures up in the canyon. City Manager Sean Lewis will make a call to the forest ranger to express the city's concerns.
- The fire calls are up to 61. There have been 152 inspections completed so far this year. Jeff also reported on some employee changes.

Jon Knudsen, Finance Director

- Discussed putting Sean Lewis on the bank accounts for the city.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Alder moved the work meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED:



John Scott, Mayor

10/4/23
Date

ATTEST:



Candice Maudsley
Candice Maudsley, City Recorder

10-4-23
Date