



City Council Meeting

October 4, 2023

City Council Chambers, 38 West Center

7 P.M. Mayor Nay opened the meeting.

Roll Call:

Rod Taylor, Michael Wanner, Shawn Crane, Stella Hill, Robert Andersen, Lori Nay

Invocation/Inspirational Thought:

Given by Mike Wanner

Pledge of Allegiance:

Led by Mayor Nay.

Public Forum:

No public comment

Minutes

September 20th Work Meeting:

Councilor Crane made the motion to approve the minutes for the September 20th work meeting, Councilor Andersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

September 20th Regular Meeting:

Councilor Crane made the motion to approve the minutes for the meeting, Councilor Andersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

Bills for period ending September 29th, 2023:

Councilor Wanner made the motion to approve the bills for the period ending September 29th, 2023, totaling \$5,308.12, Councilor Crane seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

Award, Recognitions, Appointments

Planning Commission Appointment(s):

The Planning Commission is a five-member board in need of three appointments. The terms of Commissioners Jorgan Jensen and Eric Hammer expired in December 2022. New appointments would be for 4-year terms beginning January 2023. Member Holly Bown has moved out of Gunnison.

Thomas Bore and Jill White are two individuals that would like to be on the planning commission. Mayor Nay recommended these two to the council.

Councilor Wanner made the motion to appoint Thomas Bore and Jill White to the Planning Commission. Councilor Andersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

New Business

2023 CDBG Ballfields Enhancement Project – Procurement Items:

The CDBG guidelines for our 2023 Ballfields Enhancement Project require that action be taken to grant any procurement awards.

Project 1. Electrical Work needed to light up all existing lights and install new LED lights on softball field: City Administrator Dennis Marker recommended that bid be awarded to A+ Electrical for \$73,743

Project 2. Shade Canopies a. New 24x24 concessions area canopy b. new bleacher canopies: Dennis recommended that the bid be awarded to CO Builders for \$63, 812.

Project 3. Site furnishings a. 4 6’ picnic tables b. 2 6’ ADA picnic tables c. 3 5 Row bleachers system: Dennis recommended to award the bid to Big T Recreation for \$18,784

All awards are contingent upon completing the company authorization process through the state CDBG staff and the contractor’s compliance with all federal terms and regulations pertaining to awards of federal funds.

Councilor Andersen made the motion to award the bids as discussed for the CBDG ballfield enhancement project, Councilor Hill seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

Multi-Family Development Standards Code Amendment:

The Planning Commission has forwarded a code amendment pertaining to multi-family development standards to the Council for consideration. Dennis Marker led the discussion with the council. The council discussed the zones throughout town. They are wanting to make sure that they are very specific on what they decide to along main street and highway 89. They decided that it would be beneficial to have a work meeting to discuss this farther. They decided to have a work meeting on October 18th at 6 P.M.

Public Employee Health Program Insurance Rates for 2024:

Valerie Andersen spoke with the council. She recently received the paperwork from PEHP for open enrollment. She also spoke with Bill Phelps with HUB, the Cities benefits advisor. In the 2023-2024 budget the City budgeted a .05% increase, and there will only be a .02% increase with PEHP. Bill also let her know that the 2 insurances that are comparable to PEHP are Blue Cross and Select Health. He stated that both companies tend to have higher premiums and the plans are not as good as the one that the City has with PEHP. The council asked that Valerie set have HUB come in and present to the council before they decide.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Resolution 2023-13 Regarding Irrigation Meter Policy:

During prior meetings the Council discussed setting a meter size standard. Size of Property For a 1-inch meter it would be \$1,529.31, 1.5-inch meter \$3,107.50, 2.0-inch meter \$3,512.99, 3.0-inch meter \$4,371.17. This standard was used by the contractor to purchase the new irrigation meters for the installation project. Recognizing that some citizens may request different meter sizes or more meters than the standard provides, it is proposed that those individuals be required to pay for any upsizing costs. The council discussed some of the possible situations. Some concerns were brought up about the utility billing and if it was fair to charge the same amount for everyone no matter what size of meter they have.

Councilor Crane made the motion to approve resolution 2023-13 regarding irrigation meter policy, Councilor Taylor seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

Reports of Officers, Staff, Boards and Committees

Valerie Andersen

URS Audit Report: Valerie has been going through a lengthy audit with Utah retirement systems. She went over the findings with the council. She let them know that they will be conducting another audit in January to go over the independent contracts for the calendar year and the bonuses for the last 5 years.

Dennis Marker

The CIB Board is meeting in Salt Lake on the 5th and should grant final approval of funding the environmental study for the Tarr Canyon Well.

The Gunnison Valley 2050 Plan committee met and after interviewing three consultant groups selected People + Place to pursue contract negotiations.

Mckenzie Brunsen is wanting to open a coffee/café shop. It will be in an existing building on Freedom Fords property. The Mayor will need to approve this.

JD Bunnell

Bi-weekly Tar Canyon Meeting: He said that they are currently going through some environmental issues right now. Two of the things that they are looking for are prairie dogs and a wildflower called lady trusses.

Gophers: He would like to get that taken care of again for the cemetery.

Sanpitch: He stated that they need to clean out the river bottom again. The mayor asked that he get some numbers prepared for the next meeting.

Water: He stated that he thinks they can leave the water on through the 1st of November

Trail Shades: poured the concrete for two of them.

Reports by Mayor and Council Members

Mike Wanner

Citizen concerns: he stated that some people that have listened to the recordings have noticed that it is hard to hear Dennis on the recording and that the side conversations during the meeting are making it hard to hear. He stated that there have also been some complaints about people driving too fast through town. He also stated a handicap child sign that was on center

street is no longer there. The council all felt like it was ok to give these parents some peace of mind. They feel like it is important to take care of this and agree that if there are any requests moving forward for other streets that they would also provide signs.

Adjournment:

Councilor Crane made the motion to adjourn, Councilor Hill seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

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Lori Nay, Mayor

Approval Date: October 18th, 2023

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Valerie Andersen". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Valerie Andersen, City Recorder