

Fisher called to order a regular Cornish Town Council meeting on December 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cornish Town Hall.

Attendance: Colton Creech (via Zoom), Chris Buxton, Lauren Draney, John Forsgren, Brad Fisher

Absent: Matt Leak

Citizens:

Staff Report: Lauren said that the League of Cities and Towns is doing training for newly elected officials, but anyone can attend. It can be done in person on December 9 or online on December 16. She asked if any of them would like her to register them for the training. No one wanted to register. They wanted her to let them know if there is any other training in the future.

Lauren said that the Town Fee Schedule and the rental agreement for the Town Hall did not match. She said that the agreement has a deposit of \$100 but it is not on the schedule. She asked if she should add it to the schedule. They asked Lauren to add the \$100 deposit to the fee schedule.

Lauren reported that there were two people on the delinquent list. She explained that she accidentally deleted the Littlefield's and that Lee did not appear on the list because of the adjustment which is why the list is different. She said that she did not tell Lee about the new total for his bill last month after taking the 75% off the usage but that he still has not paid. Creech texted Mayor Leak to see what he wants done. Mayor Leak said that Lee should have paid for it in full. Creech asked why she needed to delete people on the delinquent list. Lauren explained that when the list is created in the billing software, it shows over 100 accounts as being delinquent. It shows who is over by one, two and three months and several who are not late at all. She deletes anyone who does not show a balance in the two- and three-month columns. Creech asked if there was a better way to do that. Lauren said that she did not know but she can reach out to the support person to find out.

Minutes:

Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on November 15, 2023.

Forsgren – Motioned; Buxton - Seconded

Creech – Aye; Buxton – Aye; Fisher – Aye; Leak – Absent; Forsgren – Aye

The minutes were approved unanimously.

Action Items:

Executive Session:

Business Items:

31 *Roads-* Forsgren reported that the snowplow that the town purchased died in Tremonton. He said that
32 the guy he bought it from helped him get it back and tried to fix it. It was not fixable. Forsgren stopped
33 the check in case the guy tried to cash it.

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35 Forsgren talked to Jeremy from the County, and he told him that it is \$165 an hour to plow roads in
36 Cornish. Jeremy needs to get approval from Matt Phillips to plow in Cornish. Forsgren talked to Matt,
37 and he said he is concerned about the wear and tear on their fleet.

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39 Fisher asked what would happen if we got a snowstorm tomorrow. Forsgren said that Trenton is willing
40 to help if they let them know. Forsgren said he didn't know if Mayor Leak had talked about rates with
41 Trenton. Fisher said that he did not. He said that Mayor Leak said they need to find a truck. Creech said
42 that he had talked to Mayor Leak as well and he said that they need to find a truck, but not rush into it.

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44 Fisher said that the reason they bought a snowplow was because they were dependent on the County
45 and the County was not very reliable. He said that the Town should have its own plow to avoid future
46 frustrations.

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48 Buxton asked if Trenton would be quicker than the county. Forsgren said that Kyle from Trenton came
49 later in the evening after the snow and then finished the next morning. Forsgren said that their truck is a
50 double axel, and it was easy to turn around. Kyle said the alley turns were a little difficult but the cars in
51 the alley made it harder.

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53 Forsgren went to look at the State plow and said that they were bad unless you could spend \$60,000. He
54 also went to Tate's equipment and saw some that were higher than what was budgeted but they were
55 nicer. He said that the miles on those trucks were not all plow miles. Creech asked if they could get any
56 for \$40,000. Forsgren said that it was easier to find some for \$40,000 rather than \$20,000. He talked to a
57 guy in Hyrum, and he said that anything under \$50,000 is not going to be good. Forsgren also said that a
58 lot of them have extras that the Town would not need.

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60 Forsgren showed pictures of a couple of trucks that he was looking at. Creech asked if the dealer would
61 go down in price at all. Forsgren said he would not. He said that there was one in Georgetown for
62 \$22,000. They looked at a truck in Kearns. He said that the guy said they could test it for a couple weeks.
63 He said that he pushed some gravel with it, and it worked well. He commented that the steering is weird
64 but works. Buxton asked if they would need to put money into it. Forsgren said that anything at the
65 price point they are looking at will need to have extra money put into it. Creech said that the one in
66 Georgetown seems like the best deal. Forsgren said that he has a bid in at \$20,000 for one at Mountain
67 Home Air Force Base. The auction ends tomorrow. He thinks that by the time the auction ends it will be
68 over budget.

Creech asked if Forsgren had seen any plows that they could put on a truck. Forsgren said that he had only seen plows for pickup trucks not big trucks. Buxton asked if they were good to contract with the County. Forsgren said that Jeremy still needed to get approval from Matt.

Fisher commented that Mayor Leak had mentioned to him that he is still having problems getting a hold of the Koller's trustee at the Bank of Utah.

Planning & Zoning – Creech said that he did not have anything to report. He said they are still looking for someone to join the planning and zoning committee.

Parks/Town Hall/Finance – Buxton said that he got a couple of bids back for insulation in the basement. He said that Cardall came back at \$8,500. He bid for 3-inch foam and heavy coating. Lowder said that he would do a minimum of 2 inches but would have 3 inches in most places and the same coating. His bid came back at \$7,800. He also stated that if they put in the fiber glass back in it would be about \$1000. Buxton commented that with the pest problem they would stick with the spray foam. Fisher asked if there was still a problem with mice. Lauren said that she could hear them in the ceiling and the walls. Buxton said that when they used the Town Hall, they could smell it. If they do the fiberglass, it will not help with the mouse problems. He asked if anyone had any opinions. Fisher asked if it was RAPZ. Buxton said that it was. Fisher asked what he would prefer. Buxton said that he would prefer Cardall to ensure a full 3 inches. They decided to go with Cardall.

Buxton commented that he got the last bid for the first phase of the parking lot at the park. He said that they all came back between \$65,000 - \$70,000. He said that Valley View bid \$69,000. Smith's bid \$68,000 and Wood Smith bid \$65,000. Creech asked what that would be for. Buxton said it would be for excavation, pit fill and road base. Creech asked if it would be all but asphalt. Buxton said it would include everything but asphalt and curb. He mentioned that that would use up all the RAPZ they have. Creech asked how much the asphalt would be. Buxton said that Woodsmith bid it at \$27,000 for curb and \$52,000 for 3 inches of asphalt. Buxton said that the curb and asphalt would be phase two and then phase three would be moving the shed. Fisher asked if the money needs to be spent in a certain amount of time. Buxton said the project will be done in the next two years. Creech said that it might be easier to get the contractor lined up and see if they can get the funds to put asphalt in and do it all at once.

Creech asked about the bathroom door. Buxton said that him and Dale just shut it and screwed it together. Creech asked if insulation would be coming next week. Buxton said that it would.

Creech asked Lauren what they could do to keep her operating during the remodel. He suggested that they set up her desk upstairs as well as the SCADA computer and Megan's computer. Lauren said that would work.

109 *Water* – Fisher said that they fixed the leak by the Buxton’s. He also said that the leak by Lee Black’s is
110 not from Town water. Creech asked what the problem was at the corner. Fisher said that it was a glue
111 joint.
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113 Fisher said that all the tests have come back clean.
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115 He talked to Mayor Leak about having a party. He said that they didn’t need to decide now.
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117 Fisher said that the the Law’s wanted to put a culvert in. He said that there is a water line in the area
118 that may cause problems. He discouraged them from doing it. They brought up a map of where they
119 want to put it. Forsgren said that it might be better to bore it rather than dig it.
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121 Forsgren said that the pipe that ran to the house the Law’s burned broke. He said that it ran for a couple
122 days so she may have a large water bill and she may be asking for a forgiveness. Lauren said that she had
123 already talked to her about it. Buxton asked what would happen if Susan sold the house to Colby, would
124 it reset the forgiveness count.
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126 Creech asked about some of the deficiencies from the sanitary survey. He said that they fixed most of
127 them and sent him pictures. Fisher said that he had not heard anything from the State. Fisher said that
128 they need to think about how they can turn the springs back on again.
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130 Creech said they need to set an hourly rate for Clayton and possible raises for other employees. They
131 will do it at the next meeting when Mayor Leak is here.
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133 Creech brought up a picture of another plow. He asked Forsgren if there were more trucks at the State.
134 Forsgren said that there are, but the guy said that he would not recommend any of them that were
135 within the budget.
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137 **Old Business:**
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139 **Mayor’s Report:**
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141 **Citizen comments:**
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143 **Next Meeting:**
144 **Bills:**
145 Total = \$3669.43 (does not include the 1370.50 from Smith Hartvigsen)

145 They asked about the Smith Hartvigsen invoice. Lauren said that she had tried to call them but he was
146 not there so she will try again.

147 Creech asked about the bill from Lewiston. Lauren said that they will be receiving a monthly bill from
148 them. She explained that the amount could vary depending on the number of cans we have and the
149 landfill rates. Buxton asked how they know how many cans we have. Lauren said that she sends a can
150 count to Econo Waste and they send it on to Lewiston.

151 Fisher entertained a motion to pay the bills minus the invoice from Smith Hartvigsen for \$1373.50.

152 Creech - Motioned; Forsgren – Seconded

153 Creech – Aye; Buxton – Aye; Fisher – Aye; Leak – Absent; Forsgren - Aye

154 The bills passed unanimously.

155 **Adjourn:**

156 Entertained a motion to adjourn.

157 Buxton – Motioned; Forsgren - Seconded

158 Creech – Aye; Buxton – Aye; Fisher – Aye; Leak – Absent; Forsgren - Aye

159 Ended at 8:13 p.m.