

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Civic Center, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

**Present:**

City Council:	Braden Mitchell, Mayor Alan Arnold, Councilmember Bart Stevens, Councilmember Anne Hansen, Councilmember Mike Richter, Councilmember-elect
City Employees:	Steve Brooks, City Administrator/Attorney Mike Eggett, Community Development Director Shawn Douglas, Public Works Director Jared Sholly, Fire Chief Casey Warren, Police Chief Michelle Marigoni, City Recorder
Excused:	
Visitors:	Randy & Eileen Poulsen Kaitlyn Peck Jeremy Poulsen Laura Hilton Katie Hilton Jeff Muntinga Bryson Olsen Lance (illegible) Tracie Hilton Whitney Hilton Karina Merrill Celeste Noland

### **Welcome & Roll Call**

The City Council meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mitchell called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance, including all Council Members and all members of the public.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Mitchell invited Anne Hansen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Invocation**

Mayor Mitchell offered the invocation.

### **Swearing in of new council member Michael Richter and reelected council member Alan Arnold.**

As discussed in the work session, this item was moved to the beginning of the meeting in order to provide a quorum to vote on the additional consent and action items. Michelle Marigoni, City Recorder gave the Oath of Office to Mr. Arnold and Mr. Richter.

### **Public Comment**

Mayor Mitchell invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and asked that they keep their comments to approximately three minutes, noting no action will be taken during public comment. There were none.

### **Presentations and Reports**

#### **Mayor's Report**

County elected officials' breakfast – Council members need to RSVP by January 5<sup>th</sup>.

**City Council Assignment Reports**

**Tribute to council member Steve Hilton**

Mayor Mitchell expressed heartfelt farewells to Councilor Hilton, a remarkable public servant and beloved member of the community. Emphasizing Mr. Hilton's lasting impact, dedication, and passion for the well-being of residents, the tribute acknowledged his thoughtfulness, integrity, and engagement with public safety issues.

Beyond professional accomplishments, Mr. Hilton was remembered for his kindness, approachability, and genuine concern for community members. Mayor Mitchell shared personal anecdotes about their close relationship, highlighting Mr. Hilton's supportive nature and their shared experiences at conferences. Mr. Hilton's ability to make people feel valued was emphasized, and the tribute conveyed the positive impact he had on people's lives.

During the memorial service, Mr. Hilton's family highlighted his gift of making people feel approved of, and the tribute praised him as one of the kindest individuals. The Council intentionally left Hilton's seat empty in remembrance, symbolizing his continued guidance. The deepest condolences were extended to Mr. Hilton's family, friends, and colleagues, with a recognition of his excitement for re-election and commitment to serving the community.

Reflections were shared on the funeral, praising the heartfelt words from his cousin and the impactful presentation by his daughters. The tribute concluded by expressing gratitude for Mr. Hilton's exemplary character, love for his family, and the legacy he left behind. The family was thanked for sharing him with the community, and the Mayor extended appreciation for the well-conducted tribute.

**A. Consent Items**

**1. Consideration to approve meeting minutes from:**

December 5, 2023 Council Work Session

December 5, 2023 Council Meeting

**MOTION:** Councilmember Arnold moved to approve the meeting minutes. Councilmember Hansen seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

**2 Advice and consent regarding the reappointment of planning commissioners Celeste Noland and Randy Poulsen.**

Mayor Mitchell opened the discussion regarding the reappointment of Planning Commissioners Celeste Nolan and Randy Poulson. The Mayor and Mr. Eggett expressed satisfaction with their performance, highlighting their effectiveness, knowledge, and dedication. The Council members echoed the Mayor's sentiments, praising the Commissioners' competence, research skills, and positive contributions. The Council then proceeded to vote on each reappointment separately, with unanimous approval for both Celeste Nolan and Randy Poulson.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Arnold moved to approve consent for reappointment of Celeste Noland. Councilmember Hansen seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Hansen moved to approve consent for reappointment of Randy Poulsen Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

Mr. Arnold thanked both commissioners for attending events and participating around the city.

**B. Action Items**

**1. Consideration of Ordinance #976 approving proposed changes to RCC Title 8, Chapter 6: Transfer of Water Right.**

**MOTION:** Councilor Arnold moved to approve Ordinance #976 approving proposed changes to RCC Title 8, Chapter 6: Transfer of Water Right.

**SECOND:** Councilor Hansen

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilor Stevens:	Yes
Councilor Richter:	Yes
Councilor Arnold:	Yes

Councilor Hansen: Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Consideration of Ordinance #977 approving proposed changes to RCC Title 10, Chapter 21: Subdivisions as requested by the Community Development Department and required by the State of Utah.**

Mr. Eggett briefly went over the executive summary, noting that the planning commission recommended for approval after the required public hearing and that Smith Hartvigsen PLLC had endorsed the changes.

The Council then discussed the item, which addressed proposed changes to the city code regarding subdivisions. Mr. Eggett provided context, emphasizing the mandatory nature of these changes due to Senate Bill 174 from the previous legislative session.

**MOTION:** Councilor Arnold moved to approve Ordinance #977 approving proposed changes to RCC Title 10, Chapter 21: Subdivisions as requested by the Community Development Department and required by the State of Utah, with the changes noted in the work session.

**SECOND:** Councilor Richter

Mr. Stevens expressed discontent with state mandates; Mr. Arnold reminded him non-compliance would cause further problems for the city.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilor Arnold:	Yes
Councilor Hansen:	Yes
Councilor Stevens:	No
Councilor Richter:	Yes

The motion passed with three in favor and one against.

**H. Comments**

Mr. Brooks conveyed information about an upcoming RSAT graduation scheduled for Thursday, January 4th, at 1:00 pm.

A commendation was presented by Mr. Brooks to Mike Eggett for his exemplary work on the Subdivisions code update. Mr. Eggett's proactive approach placed him ahead of other municipalities in completing this task, and his expertise proved invaluable in assisting the legal professionals responsible for guiding cities through the process.

Additionally, Chief Warren received an on-the-spot award for his handling of a recent case involving a missing exchange student. During the discussion prompted by Mr. Stevens, Chief Warren outlined the collaboration among various agencies, emphasizing the predominant role played by the Riverdale PD, with support from DPS and WCSO Search and Rescue. The FBI contributed to the investigation by tracking down bank transfers, and Chief Warren provided a succinct overview of the case's history.

Mayor Mitchell shared details concerning a resident's concern about the removal of all holes from the disc golf course. The Mayor clarified that the disc golf community would be contacting the landowners, particularly addressing instances where the holes extended onto private property.

Mr. Brooks provided updates on meetings with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and Ogden City, specifically concerning developments on the West Bench.

The Council discussed upcoming events, including a group portrait scheduled for the first meeting in February. They also mentioned the appointment process and questions for the next meeting, clarifying that each Council member would be allotted two questions. The same basic process as the previous appointment would be followed for the upcoming meeting.

**I. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Arnold moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Richter all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Date Approved: