Town Council Regular Meeting

January 17, 2024

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Marty Larson, Councilmembers, Stan Judd, Hale Robison, Grant Lundberg, Curtis Thomas

Staff Present: City Clerk Lucinda Thomas, Deputy Clerk Nicole Preston, Fire Battalion Chief Derek Spencer, Chairman John Rosenberger

Public Present: Gale Judd, Calvin Clark, Wylie Thomas, Bridget Thomas, James Thomas, Silas Thomas, Lindsey Thomas, Randal Ercanbrack, Rachael Ercanbrack, Britton Ercanbrack, Mark Davis, Bob Allen

1. **Call to Order -** Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm
   - **a.** Gale Judd gave the opening prayer.
   - **b.** Wylie Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance

2. **Oath of Office Ceremony –** City Recorder Lucinda Thomas Issued the Oath of Office to newly elected councilmen Curtis Thomas and Stan Judd.

3. **Approval of Minutes for December 13, 2023**
   - **a.** Councilman Stan Judd made a **Motion** to approve the minutes for December 13, 2023. Councilman Grant Lundberg **Second,** Councilman Curtis Thomas stated that he would abstain as he was not on the council last month, the motion **Passed** all in favor.
     - **i.** Mayor Marty Larson – YES
     - **ii.** Councilman Stan Judd – YES
     - **iii.** Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
     - **iv.** Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
     - **v.** Councilman Curtis Thomas - ABSTAIN

4. **Approval of Expenditures**
   - **a.** Councilman Thomas had a couple of questions regarding expenditures and the purpose of them.
   - **b.** Councilman Stan Judd made a **Motion** to approve the expenditures in the amount of ninety-two thousand two hundred thirty-one dollars and ninety-four cents ($92,231.94). Councilman Grant Lundberg **Second** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.
     - **i.** Mayor Marty Larson – YES
     - **ii.** Councilman Stan Judd – YES
     - **iii.** Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
     - **iv.** Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
     - **v.** Councilman Curtis Thomas - YES

5. **Approval of Work Orders**
   - **a.** There were no work orders to discuss.

6. **Commission and Staff Reports**
   - a. **Police Report – Chief Hurst –** there was not a representative from the police department present to give a report.

   - b. **Fire Chief Report- Derek Spencer -** he reported that they are going to be doing training at the Andrus home that is going to be torn down.

   - **c. Planning Commission Chairman – John Rosenberger –** He reviewed the agenda items from their last meeting. Including the recommendation that the council approve the Idlewild Farms Subdivision. He noted that the subdivision had to change the name since their last meeting as there was already an Elmwood subdivision in Genola.

PUBLIC FORUM – There was no one signed up for the public forum.

7. **Discussion and possible action with Bob Allen from Mountainland Association of Governments about the General Plan proposed road map and the options the town has on regulating heavy trucks on our roadways.**
   a. There was much discussion regarding the plausibility of not allowing trucks of a certain weight to travel on Genola's roads. Mr. Allen reminded the council that as they receive B&C roads money these roads are public roads, and they just can't be blocked off. To do that you would have to show that road engineering isn't built for heavy trucks. This would need a study done by an engineering firm. He mentioned that the town would probably need to have a truck route for the large trucks to travel on. Mr. Allen showed an example of a truck route that Provo City uses. Also, the limitation of some of the bigger roads like Highway 6 and State Road 141 wouldn't be allowed as those roads are state roads and would require UDOT to set those restrictions not the town.
   b. It was brought up that safety could be a real concern as many of the roads are narrow and they have no sidewalks. Mr. Allen stated that he didn't feel that it would stand up legally as he felt the response would be that the town should just put it on the sidewalk then.
   c. They talked about the proposed road map and felt that the current roads that we have on our proposed road map are adequate, that the need to add proposed roads to our map isn't necessary as there isn't expectations to see Genola grow exponentially in the next 30 years. Calvin Clark who was also there and representing MAG felt that keeping it the same would be sufficient. It was recommended that where our roads are already done mostly on a grid system that they continue with that pattern and encourage the developers to do the same.

8. **Discussion and possible action on the proposed 3-lot Elmwood Subdivision owned by Mark Davis located at approximately 332 W 400 S Parcel #38.689.0003**
   a. They noted that the subdivision name has been changed to Idlewild Farms since the planning commission meeting as it was discovered that there was already an Elmwood Subdivision in Genola.
   b. Councilman Curtis Thomas made a **Motion** to Approve the Preliminary Plat for the Idlewild Farms Subdivision. Councilman Stan Judd **Second** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.
      i. Mayor Marty Larson – YES
      ii. Councilman Stan Judd – YES
      iii. Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
      iv. Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
      v. Councilman Curtis Thomas - YES

9. **Discussion regarding a rezone from A-1 Agriculture to R-1 Residential property located at 225 S 1000 E Parcel #29.036.0120 owned by Randal Ercanbrack**
   a. Mr Ercanbrack is wanting to rezone his parcel that used to be part of the Chaffin Ranch area. Currently his parcel is zone A-1 but is wanting to rezone it to R-1 in hopes of protecting it against people who might want to mine the land directly next to him. His current parcel contains land that is above the Highline Canal, and the current subdivision ordinance states that you are unable to develop land that can't be serviced by the Highline Canal. Mr. Ercanbrack is asking for the rezone with a development agreement that would be tied to the land so that no matter who owns the land they would know that there is restrictions on the land that is above the canal. There were also questions about if the culinary system would have adequate pressure to support the development as well. The Council stated that they would be in favor of a development agreement but wouldn't say anything definitively until a draft could be presented to the council. Mr. Ercanbrack stated that he would have his attorneys draft the agreement and then they would work with the town attorney Mr. Nielsen to make sure that it would meet all the needs of the town as well. Mr Ercanbrack stated that he is only wanting to protect the farmlands that are on his property and surrounding his property. Mr. Ercanbrack stated that he would get with the town office to look at the hydraulic analysis reports that had been done previously to verify what lands could be serviced by the current culinary system.

10. **Discussion on the statistics and fees for 2023 South Valley Animal Shelter**
    a. The council discussed that the fees for the South Valley Animal Shelter have more than doubled since they became a no kill shelter, but they didn't know if there were any other options. Santaquin City does our animal control issues, and they use South Valley Animal Shelter as well. The council wasn't sure that there were any other options other than using South Valley. They will discuss it next month with Chief Hurst.

11. **Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2024-01 appointing a new alternate for the Mt. Nebo Water Agency.**
    a. Mayor Larson explained that with the election there were some changes and a new alternative for the Mt Nebo Water Agency was needed. It was decided to appoint Councilman Curtis Thomas as the alternate for the Mt Nebo Water Agency and for SUMWA.
    b. Mayor Marty Larson made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-01 Appointing Councilman Curtis Thomas as the alternate for the Mt Nebo Water Agency. Councilman Grant Lundberg **Second** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.
        i. Mayor Marty Larson – YES
        ii. Councilman Stan Judd – YES
        iii. Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
        iv. Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
        v. Councilman Curtis Thomas - YES

12. **Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2024-02 the scheduling of the Town Council meetings for 2024**
    a. The council discussed that the meeting times would remain the same with Planning Commission staying on the 1st Thursday of every month and the Council meetings being on the 3rd Wednesday of every month except December which would be on the 2nd Wednesday.
    b. Councilman Stan Judd made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-02. Councilman Grant Lundberg **Second** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.
        i. Mayor Marty Larson – YES
        ii. Councilman Stan Judd – YES
        iii. Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
        iv. Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
        v. Councilman Curtis Thomas - YES

13. **Council Comments**
    a. **Mayor Marty Larson –** Mayor Larson discussed Assignments. It was decided that Curtis Thomas would take over the fire department for former councilman Brown. Councilman Hale Robison would be stepping in as Treasurer. The current assignments were discussed and mentioned that if other council members feel that changes need to be made that they can be changed at a later time.

    b. Councilmember Hale Robison – was excused from the meeting

    Councilmember Grant Lundberg – Stated that they are having their first Town Celebration meeting at the end of the month and he is excited to get going.

    c. Councilmember Stan Judd – He asked who would be the new contact for the Natural Gas, Mayor Larson stated that he has been working with Dominion Energy since the beginning of the year. He also stated that he would be willing to work with Parks if the Park and town celebration assignments needed to be divided but that he would like to remain with the rodeo.

    d. **Councilmember Curtis Thomas–** he wondered if there was somebody working on High Speed Internet. It was explained to him that there was no real project in the work at this time. The former councilman Brown had wanted to pursue it but hadn't been able to put anything into motion yet.

14. Motion to Adjourn

a. Councilman Curtis Thomas made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Stan Judd **Second** and the motion **Passed** all in Favor.

- **i.** Mayor Marty Larson – YES
- **ii.** Councilman Stan Judd – YES
- **iii.** Councilman Hale Robison – ABSENT
- **iv.** Councilman Grant Lundberg – YES
- **v.** Councilman Curtis Thomas - YES

b. The meeting was then adjourned at 10:00pm

Minutes prepared by Deputy Clerk Nicole Preston

Minutes Approved on: 2-21-2024

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Lucinda Thomas City Recorder