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THE COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON DECEMBER 20, 2023, AT THE HOUR OF 6:30 P.M. AT THE BINGHAM CANYON LIONS CLUB, 8725 W HILLCREST ST., COPPERTON, UTAH.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESENT: SEAN CLAYTON, Chair  
TESSA STITZER  
KATHLEEN BAILEY  
KEVIN SEVERSON  
DAVE OLSEN

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: NATHAN BRACKEN, LEGAL COUNSEL  
AMY PITT, DEPUTY CLERK



**Mayor Clayton**, Chair, presided.

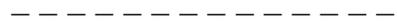


Regular Council Meeting

Community Input

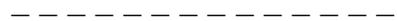
*Recognize Visiting Officials*

There were no visiting officials.



*Citizen Comments*

There were no citizen comments.



*Unified Fire Authority (UFA)*

**Nathan Bogenschutz**, Battalion Chief, Unified Fire Authority, reported Station 115 had 13 responses within the township and an additional 19 responses that were on the light truck. Captain Richard Rich in Taylorsville will be the new captain for the B shift.



*Unified Police Department (UPD)*



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as Treasurer. She would also continue to serve on the boards for Unified Fire Authority (UFA) and Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA).

**Council Member Severson** stated, for the record, that he would continue to serve on the board for Salt Lake County Animal Services Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission.

**Council Member Olsen** stated, for the record, that he would continue to serve on the boards for Unified Police Department (UPD) and Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA).

Council Member Clayton, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved that all Council members would continue with their current Council positions and board appointments as stated above. The motion passed unanimously.

**Nathan Bracken** reminded the Council that once the metro township bill goes into effect, the mayor's seat would become an elected office going forward.

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*SLVLESA Update*

**Nathan Bracken**, Legal Counsel, Copperton Metro Township, stated some of this would need to be discussed in closed session, but basically, the USDA is willing to have a discussion to include a bill that is similar to what Copperton proposed in its letter to the County. This would give the County the option to withdraw from SLVLESA, but it would require assurance that money will be set aside. This type of bill would affect the provisions in the State Code for first responder districts. He thought it was unlikely the bill would happen in the upcoming session. Representative Jordan Teuscher does not feel there is any legislation needed and feels that it can be worked out within the board. The County is concerned about being voted out of the board. Representative Tuescher's staff has met with the attorneys and the County staff. It was a good meeting. There are risks to approaching the Legislature every time there is a concern. It may be appropriate to change how SLVLESA runs.

**Mayor Clayton** stated he and Council Member Olsen had met with Sheriff Rosie Rivera and some of her staff the previous Monday. Ralph Chamness, Chief Deputy District Attorney, delivered a presentation that will be made public tomorrow and SLVLESA's meeting. The cost of providing law enforcement services to Copperton would be approximately \$265,000 a year, assuming all other metro townships went with the Sheriff's Office.

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*Storm Drain & Public Utility Easement Vacation*

Council Member Clayton, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to open the public hearing related to the storm drain and public utility easement vacation. The motion passed unanimously.



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*Update on Interim Metro Township Bill*

**Nathan Bracken**, Legal Counsel, Copperton Metro Township, stated there will be a hearing on Friday. The new Rules Committee Chair sent the item back for discussion. It probably will not be that big of a deal. Magna, Kearns, and White City have hired lobbyists that will be going the rounds and there are no anticipated issues. Mr. Bracken repurposed a letter into a fact sheet and sent it to the mayors of the metro townships, attorneys, and lobbyists.

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*Committee Assignments*

- Legislative Research Committee

**Nathan Bracken** stated his firm has several members who sit on the Legislative Policy Committee for the League of Cities and Towns. He will be attending those meetings so he can report. He expects to see legislation on land use that will affect affordable housing. Those bills will probably be introduced on the later half of the session.

- Bingham Cemetery Board

**Council Member Stitzer** stated a few residents recently volunteered to clean some tumbleweeds out of the cemetery. The cleanup for the wreaths for Wreaths Across America will be this week or next.

**Mayor Clayton** stated the dumpsters need to be tarped in the future to avoid a penalty.

- Copperton Community Council

Nothing to report.

- Planning Commission

Nothing to report.

*Copperton Metro Township Council Member Reports*

- Mayor Clayton

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD)  
Council of Governments (COG)

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**Mayor Clayton** stated he was not able to attend the most recent meeting and had nothing to report. There was nothing significant on the agenda.

➤ Council Member Olsen

Unified Police Department (UPD)  
Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA)

**Council Member Olsen** stated the agenda for the upcoming meeting was long. He sent out the draft of the most recent revision of the interlocal agreement.

**Nathan Bracken**, Legal Counsel, Copperton Metro Township, stated he was concerned that a lot of the day to day management decisions were included in the interlocal agreement, and he felt this could result in multiple amendments. He proposed including the language *The precinct Chiefs shall be chosen or transferred or terminated pursuant to policies approved by the board.*

**Council Member Olsen** stated UPD will be a new board chair, and his preference would be to ask Mayor Stevenson from Midvale to stay in the chair position. The Budget for UPD is due in March and needs to be built based on the towns' and cities' intent to stay or leave. He suggested holding a work session in February.

**Mr. Bracken** suggested having a special meeting instead of a work session.

The Council agreed to schedule a special meeting for February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.

➤ Council Member Bailey

Unified Fire Authority (UFA)  
Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA)

**Council Member Bailey** stated the members thanked Holladay Mayor Rob Dahle for his service as chair. Trish Hull will be the new UFSA chair. The board reviewed its strategic plan.

➤ Council Member Stitzer

Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)

**Council Member Stitzer** stated WFWRD will not meet until next week. Copperton's collection days will be moving from Friday to Wednesday. This will improve workloads and efficiencies. A flier notifying citizens of the change will be circulated on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January. She has posted that flier on social media. Green waste collection will remain unchanged.

➤ Council Member Severson

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Salt Lake County Animal Services

Nothing to report.



Other Announcements

*Citizen Comments*

There were no citizen comments.



*Announcements*

**Mayor Clayton** asked the public to attend the February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting because the Council will be discussing law enforcement services.

**Council Member Stitzer** stated there would be a workshop this Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Bingham Lion’s Club, from 10:00 AM to noon, to discuss the active transportation project with the MSD.



Closed Session

Council Member Olsen, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to close the open session of the Copperton Metro Township Council meeting to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and the deployment of security personnel. The motion passed unanimously.



The Council reopened the Copperton Metro Township meeting.



THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

LANNIE CHAPAN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

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Deputy Clerk

CHAIR, COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

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