

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MARCH 27, 2024 AT THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN HALL
52 SOUTH PARK STREET, RUSH VALLEY, UTAH
THE MEETING BEGAN AT 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor and Council Members Present: Pete Albrecht, Lacey Burrows, Dana Gardner and Jeremiah Harding.

Appointed Officers and Employees Present: Clerk/Recorder Patty Rowe and Fire Chief Jason Bolinder

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes for 02-28-2024. Councilmember Dana Gardner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 02-28-2024. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

3. Sheriff's Report. The sheriff's office reported that in December there were three details and one citation, in January there were two details with nothing significant and in February there was an accidental shooting that is still being investigated. A speed trailer will be placed on Main Street. Mayor Johnson inquired about the new speed sign in Stockton and was told that provided by the state.

4. Consideration to Install Flooring in Clover Church. Councilmember Lacey Burrows said that the cost for the flooring will be \$1,998.19 from Factory Flooring and is for installation only. The flooring was purchased previously. The Clover Church project is still being funded with grant money and more grants can be obtained now that the doors are installed. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to approve the flooring installation for a total of \$1,998.19. Councilmember Dana Gardner seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

5. Consideration to Complete Walls in Clover Church. Councilmember Lacey Burrows said that the cost to complete the walls will be \$3,500 for material and labor. Councilmember Dana Gardner made a motion to approve the completion of the walls for a total of \$3,500. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

6. Approval to Purchase Truck Box for Fire Department's New Rescue Truck. Fire Chief Jason Bolinder said that the new truck has been ordered and will be here in June. He would like to purchase an aluminum truck box insert and has pricing from three different places. He would like to purchase it from Iconic Elements, Inc. and there is a 3–4-month lead time because it is custom built. The total price is \$16,000 and 50% down payment is required. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to approve the purchase of the truck box for

a total of \$16,000 with \$8,000 down. Councilmember Jeremiah Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

- 7. Fire Department Report.** Fire Chief Jason Bolinder reported there have been 11 calls since the last meeting including five medicals and six auto accidents. Nine of the calls were out of town and two were in town limits. Most of the fire department members are showing up for all calls and meetings. He replaced batteries in the tender that will be moved out once the new truck comes in.
- 8. Council Reports.** Roads – Councilmember Harding said that he has been working on getting the roads graded. He spoke with Staker and hopefully next weekend the project manager will come out and look at the roads for a bid. Mayor Johnson asked him to get a bid from Staker for the shouldering that we have money allocated for. The new truck is still being prepared for delivery.

Cemeteries – Councilmember Lacey Burrows reported that there was one burial this month and five plots were purchased.

Councilmember Pete Albrecht has been attending monthly emergency management meetings. There was an emergency management meeting held at the church house this month. With the weather warming up, residents need to do spring cleaning of their yards to get the weeds and debris down. The town needs to do some work in preparation for a large-scale event such as an earthquake. We are a town that is always prepared and self sufficient with a lot of resources, but planning and organization is necessary. The majority of county resources will be going to more populated areas. We need to get a day on the calendar for a town exercise. Dumpsters are scheduled to be delivered to the town hall for residents to use on April 19-25. All burn permits will be issued online through the county.

Parks – Councilmember Dana Gardner reported that the basketball standard had to be fixed because the gears were stripped by someone using it. The tennis net has also been ruined and he is going to replace it. Dana applied for \$20,000 of the Tooele County recreation grant and if it is received, he would like to finish the fencing and put in a mow strip. Mayor Johnson said that there is some interest by Trevor Johnson to do some work on the arena. Dana has asked for someone to take charge of the rodeo committee again.

Mayor Johnson reported that Councilmember Lacey Burrows has been taking the lead on the Clover Church restoration project.

- 9. Safety Topic.** Councilmember Dana Gardner presented the safety topic on eye protection from UV rays.
- 10. Payment of Bills.** Mayor Johnson requested to add a payment for a rented rock picker that was broken while working on the rodeo arena. He would like to purchase, repair and re-sale the picker. The cost is \$2,000 and the repair could be an additional \$500. Councilmember

Lacey Burrows made a motion to pay the bills as written with the addition of payment for the rock picker for \$2,000. Councilmember Jeremiah Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

- 11. Public Comments.** Alayna Lang asked if there is going to be an easter egg hunt this year and was told no, but there is going to be one in Dugway.

Amy Jensen of the Tooele County Health Department would like to meet with the town council to discuss opportunities to use a grant program for activities that would strengthen the community. Some ideas were movie night, bingo and youth recognition. The town council is very interested, and Amy will be placed on the agenda for April's meeting.

- 12. Adjourn.** Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Dana Gardner seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting ended at 8:22 p.m.