



ROY CITY
Roy City Council Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2024– 5:30 p.m.
Roy City Council
5051 S 1900 W Roy, UT
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Minutes of the Roy City Council Meeting held in person in the Roy City Council Chambers and streamed on YouTube on April 2, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was provided to the Utah Public Notice Website at least 24 hours in advance. A copy of the agenda was also posted on the Roy City website.

The following members were in attendance:

Mayor Dandoy
Councilmember Jackson
Councilmember Joe Paul
Councilmember Sophie Paul

City Manager, Matt Andrews
City Attorney, Matt Wilson
City Recorder, Brittany Fowers

Excused: Councilmember Saxton and
Councilmember Scadden

Also present were: Assistant City Manager, Brody Flint; Police Chief, Matthew Gwynn; Fire Chief, Theron Williams; Public Works Deputy Director, Brandon Edwards; Kevin Homer, Glenda Moore, Kelly Crozier, Trudy Helts, Shawn Stanger, Cameron Beck, Robert Percival, and Diane Wilson.

A. Welcome & Roll Call

Mayor Dandoy welcomed those in attendance and noted Councilmembers Jackson, Wilson, Sophie Paul, Scadden, and Joe Paul were present.

B. Moment of Silence

Councilmember Sophie Paul invited the audience to observe a moment of silence.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Sophie Paul lead the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Consent Items

(These items are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by a single motion. If discussion is desired on any particular consent item, that item may be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.)

1. Approval of the February 2024 Financial Statements and the February 20, 2024, Roy City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Joe Paul motioned to approve the Consent Items as the February 2024 Financial Statements and the February 20, 2024, Roy City Council Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted “Aye”. The motion carried.

E. Public Comments

Mayor Dandoy opened the floor for public comments. There were none.

Mayor Dandoy closed the floor for public comments.

F. Discussion Items

1. CenturyLink Communication Boxes

City Attorney Matt Wilson led this portion of the meeting. City Attorney Wilson reminded the Council they had adopted a franchise agreement with CenturyLink. City Attorney Wilson noted CenturyLink would like to install pedestals as an alternative to handholes for the cost and efficiency.

Councilmember Joe Paul said he had heard overwhelmingly negative things about CenturyLink's handling of this issue. Councilmemebr Sophie Paul asked why these would have to be over the ground to which City Attorney Wilson replied it was not feasible otherwise. City Attorney Wilson said it would be one pedestal for every two homes. Mayor Dandoy said CenturyLink prefers to stay on this course.

2. Riverdale City RFP for Ambulance services and a consolidation study with Riverdale, South Ogden, and Roy City

City Manager Andrews led this portion of the meeting. City Manager Andrews said this would be a two part conversation. City Manager Andrews said the first part involved an RFP Riverdale City released for Ambulance service medical licenses. City Manager Andrews said they would be the first ones to choose whether or not to go after this opportunity though stressed they may not get it. City Manager Andrews said they would like to get some direction from the City Council on the issue. City Manager Andrews said they were also looking at a consolidation of services which would require a study. City Manager Andrews said this could involve Washington Terrace, though this is yet to be determined.

Mayor Dandoy said it was not previously clear what the financial impact of this proposal would be. Mayor Dandoy referred to the chart provided and said they were looking for a three-year "look." He noted there had been 3000 calls into Riverdale, and indicated the bill was \$2.9 Million and the collections were \$1.5 Million. Mayor Dandoy said there was a 40% collection rate. City Manager Andrews confirmed this was all accurate.

Mayor Dandoy asked what the cost to Roy City would be if they supported this idea, and City Manager Andrews said there was no upfront cost and all they would be responsible for would be day-to-day operations costs. City Manager Andrews said they do not yet know the impact of these changes. City Manager Andrews guessed they would have more calls; roughly two a day. City Manager Andrews said firefighters have not reported a large impact in the studies he has looked at. City Manager Andrews said they likely would not need to increase staff currently. City Manager Andrews said there would be long term results from these changes but reiterated that he could not say what they would be at this juncture. City Manager Andrews said another offset to account for would be revenue. City Manager Andrews added that other cities have expressed interest in the RFP.

Councilmember Joe Paul said Riverdale could potentially have a higher call volume. City Manager Andrews said this choice would be between Roy City and Ogden City. City Manager Andrews said they have tried to stay out of the politics of the issue and have to make a decision by April 12th. Councilmember Joe Paul said they should look to the future and ensure they can take care of both their residents and employees.

Mayor Dandoy guaranteed this would cost the City an extra \$600,000 every year. Mayor Dandoy said he

was unsure if their current staff could handle this. Mayor Dandoy asked the Council if they were willing to take on this cost and potentially hire more people.

City Manager Andrews said they could consider [00:19:02] and use the first response model. City Manager Andrews said it was difficult to get a good gauge. Mayor Dandoy said they could request assistance. City Manager Andrews said they know this will take a toll on their firefighters, though indicated he had spoken to them earlier and they were okay taking on this extra responsibility.

Mayor Dandoy asked where the Riverdale ambulance would be. City Manager Andrews said they could use the fire station at Washington Terrace though somewhat advised against this. City Manager Andrews said sometimes the ambulance staff also uses the fire truck.

Councilmember Joe Paul asked if Riverdale currently has an ambulance. City Manager Andrews said yes. City Manager Andrews said he did not know Ogden City's plan should they get the opportunity.

Mayor Dandoy said public safety was important though the cost of this proposal would fall on the taxpayers. Mayor Dandoy said there would also be an issue of close proximity as Roy City is uniquely qualified to help neighboring cities. Councilmember Joe Paul said this could be a wash, but it made sense for them to take this on from a public safety standpoint. Councilmember Joe Paul said he would like to move forward and see how it works out.

Mayor Dandoy asked how Riverdale's residents would compensate Roy City. City Manager Andrews said they would collect revenue. Mayor Dandoy pointed out they would only collect 40% of what it costs them. City Manager Andrews said this would limit operating costs across the cities though. Mayor Dandoy said this comes down to a lack of information.

Councilmember Sophie Paul asked how long they could give the proposal a shot. City Manager Andrews said roughly a year but said they could give up the license if they cannot handle the staffing. City Manager Andrews said they would lose roughly \$250,000 in ambulance costs. City Attorney Wilson reported he had some data but said what made the costs difficult to determine is not knowing the nature of the calls they will receive. City Manager Matt Andrews said he guessed they would increase calls. Councilmember Jackson supported the idea of trying it out for a year to see if they could handle it.

City Manager Andrews expressed that he took this responsibility very seriously but would like to have a later discussion on long term impact. City Manager Andrews said they would generate more revenue with more calls but have more burnout. Mayor Dandoy said this was an issue of revenue and stressed that there were no guarantees. Mayor Dandoy said they have everything Roy City needs without accepting this proposal. Mayor Dandoy said the Fire Chief feels secure in their staffing and stressed how changes put the department in a precarious position.

Councilmember Joe Paul said this was all a money game. City Manager Andrews said the added revenue could also help subsidize the fire department. Councilmember Joe Paul said the ambulance cost would not support the rest of the fire department. Mayor Dandoy said they have the data. Councilmember Joe Paul questioned if these were "realized figures." City Manager Andrews said this was a two-part conversation. Councilmember Joe Paul asked them to move to the second part. City Manager Andrews said they need to remember that this may not stick and the responsibility could fall on Ogden.

Councilmember Jackson asked Fire Chief Theron Williams what he recommended. Fire Chief Williams said it was tough, but if his firefighters were open to it, he would be willing to give it a shot. Fire Chief Williams added that there must be other issues going on in Riverdale they are not privy to. Fire Chief Williams said there were different ways they could reorganize though this could impact revenue.

Mayor Dandoy said Riverdale has a sunset clause on a sales tax provision which means Riverdale needs more revenue once 2026 rolls around. Mayor Dandoy said Riverdale is looking for ways to make up this pending loss of revenue.

Councilmember Joe Paul said ambulances could be in the City longer because of travel times and hospital locations. City Attorney Wilson said first responders' primary mission was to get to their destination as soon as possible.

Mayor Dandoy asked how the Council felt and after short discussion the Council determined they wanted to submit the RFP. Mayor Dandoy then asked to shift to the other component of the conversation.

Police Chief Matthew Gwynn said they have been having conversations about having their units join other districts for years. Police Chief Gwynn said they should hold off on any decisions until they have more information.

Councilmember Joe Paul said they are the big fish in the ocean who will brunt most of the bill. Councilmember Joe Paul said there is wisdom in joining an existing district. Mayor Dandoy pushed back against this. Mayor Dandoy said he was open to gathering more data and entertaining other ideas. Councilmember Joe Paul said they owe it to their residents to look at everything first. Mayor Dandoy said they were not driving this issue even though they have been asked to participate.

Mayor Dandoy said Roy City used to have a 911 service which they consolidated at the County level. Mayor Dandoy said this was a risk but now it is the best service in the state. Mayor Dandoy said Roy City and Ogden are permanent members of the board of this 911 service and cited this as an example of how they can make these types of proposals work.

Councilmember Joe Paul said he wanted to put forth a study looking at Weber Fire. Mayor Dandoy said the other Mayors would not support this. Councilmember Joe Paul said how can they decide what is best without a study. Mayor Dandoy said this was about joining a conversation and considering moving forward. Mayor Dandoy said the other cities are not entertaining the same ideas.

City Manager Andrews said they should ideally share this cost going forward. City Manager Andrews said they did not need to do a study to move forward. Councilmember Joe Paul said he was worried about carrying the majority of the cost. Councilmember Jackson said they were the biggest with the best equipment and echoed Councilmember Joe Paul's concern.

Mayor Dandoy said there were no guarantees and reminded the Council that this boiled down to participating in a study and 'throwing their hat in the ring.' Mayor Dandoy said they were not making any concrete decisions just yet. Mayor Dandoy sensed everyone was okay moving forward and there was general consensus.

Mayor Dandoy said Fire Chief Williams was good to reach out and facilitate the next stage of discussions with other cities.

G. City Manager & Council Report

City Manager Andrews thanked the Staff for a successful Easter Egg hunt. City Manager Andrews said the ribbon cutting for the new pickleball court will be this Thursday at 5:30 at George Wallen Park. City Manager Andrews said all of the bathrooms at Roy City parks will be open starting that day, April 1st, with the exception of Old West Park.

Councilmember Joe Paul asked if there were any updates on cameras. City Manager Andrews said they have been working on getting better internet connection to all the parks.

Councilmember Jackson asked what they were waiting on with Old West Park and City Manager Andrews said they were waiting on some parts.

Mayor Dandoy asked if they were getting live feed from Emmett Russell. City Manager Andrews said they were on the waiting list for those cameras.

City Manager Andrews said they released an RFP on Airport Road and 44 and the work would start as construction began later this week. Councilmember Joe Paul asked if they needed to work out any impact fees. City Manager Andrews said he needed to reach out still.

City Manager Andrews announced there was a ceremony on May 2nd commemorating the first fire truck of Roy City from 1955. City Manager Andrews said the bases have been poured at the 4300 West Crossing.

Councilmember Sophie Paul said there was a Spring Sports dinner to be held on the 15th.

Mayor Dandoy said the City Council meeting on the 16th was canceled. Mayor Dandoy said the Public Works event went from 15th - 27th. Mayor Dandoy said secondary water comes in on April 15th. Mayor Dandoy reminded the Council of the Utah League of Cities and Towns Conference on the 17th and 19th of April. Mayor Dandoy added that the County was concerned about contracted inspections. Mayor Dandoy said his concern was getting compensated for inspections.

Mayor Dandoy said the 24 Local Transportation Fund due date was May 6th. Mayor Dandoy said Roy City has not participated in this fund the way other cities have and suggested this be looked into.

Mayor Dandoy said the air show is coming on the 29th and 30th and the fire department will be doing a mock drill to prepare. Mayor Dandoy said the police force will also have a role to play.

Councilmember Jackson thanked Public Works Deputy Director Brandon Edwards for all the work he has done on the complex.

H. Adjournment

Councilmember Joe Paul motioned to adjourn. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Robert Dandoy
Mayor

Attest:

Brittany Fowers

City Recorder

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