

City of Green River
460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah
City Council Minutes
Special Meeting
Tuesday, March 19, 2024

ATTENDING: Mayor Ren Hatt, Council Members Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff, and Guy Webster; Planning Commission Members; Kim McFarlane, Kent Johnson, Glenna Brown; Employees; Tyler Hunt, David Wilson, Julie Spadafora, Bryan Meadows; Citizens; Bridget Meadows

CONDUCTING: Mayor Ren Hatt, the meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

ABSENT: Bo Harrison and Kent Nelson asked to be excused.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Public Hearing on the amendments to the budget for the 2024 fiscal year
Tyler Hunt gave an over view of the amendments to the budget ending 2024 fiscal year. Which included the professional services at the airport, Public Safety Building, Rap Tax, Museum personnel line items, Professional Services, Water Department, Sewer Department and Van for the sports department. Bryan Meadows spoke about the purchase of the van and how nice it would be to have a way to get the kids there, when parents aren't able to bring them. Guy Webster asked, how many people will it hold and how much is the insurance? What liability will the city have? Will the driver be a volunteer, or will they receive a wage? Loni Meadows commented, the insurance will be \$375.00 per year, would cover all the passengers and driver. The city would require a driver's license for an inquiry on their driving record. It will seat 12 passengers and does need a paint job. AJs Custom Body and Paint, in Price was contacted for a rough estimate of the cost to paint. The paint on the passenger side has places where it is down to the metal. She wasn't able to get back to her on the rough estimate before City Council tonight. There was a notation on the post saying the price was dropped \$3,000 because of the paint. Tyler asked, "Is it a 2010?" One has 40,800 miles for \$15,152.00 and the other 55,547 miles for \$13,595.00. Larry Packer asked how long the trips are? Bryan answered, usually to the other side of Emery County and to Price. Loni spoke, they are trying to get Little League to travel. Everyone else's teams are finished by the time we start Little League. There is a potential need for the museum to use it for some of their trips as well. Kent Nelson commented, there are only so many people who volunteer in the community and this vehicle will provide transportation for the team back and forth to the games.
2. Discuss/Approve/Deny amendments to the 2024 budget
There was a reiteration of certain line items, reinforcing earlier clarifications. An important point was raised on the noticed decrease in property tax revenue, prompting questions over valuation changes and whether a clerical error had occurred. Although the rationale behind the lowered revenue remained unclear, a commitment to investigating the matter further was established. The matter of purchasing a van was debated, considering the potential benefits of forging a

stronger youth and sports community. Insights were shared regarding volunteer driving policies and the insurance process, emphasizing adherence to existing regulations. Further inquiries about various applications of the van within city operations were made, noting potential resources the van could provide beyond solely servicing Grad Night and sports events.

MOTION: Guy Webster made a motion to approve the 2024 budget. Ben Lehnhoff seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster voted aye. The motion carried.

3. Discussion on planning and zoning concerns

There was only one notable issue requiring attention: the possibility of a position opening in the Planning Commission towards the end of the year. The slow rate of receiving applications was brought up, suggesting the need for proactive outreach. No additional concerns or items were discussed under this agenda item.

4. Discuss/Approve/Deny donating to Grad Night

When discussing Grad Night donations, the conversation centered around funding, particularly the allocation of the beer tax funds historically given to the PACT organization but intended for Grad Night for the current year. Proposals were suggested for redistributing these funds, incorporating city youth engagement and prevention programs into the school curriculum utilizing a portion of the budgeted allotment and maybe also distributing it amongst the schools. **MOTION:** Guy Webster made a motion to approve donating \$1500.00 to Grad Night and tabling the decision for the balance of the Beer Tax Money to a time no later than 3-months which may be divided amongst the schools. Bo Harrison seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster voted aye. The motion carried.

5. Adjourn, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Ren Hatt, Mayor

Julie Spadafora, City Recorder

Approved: July 9, 2024