FILLMORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 2, 2024

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Fillmore City Council held July 2, 2024 in the Council Chambers of the Fillmore City Building. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was posted on the Utah State Public Notice website, the Fillmore City website, the Council Chambers, the City Office bulletin board, and the President Millard Fillmore Library. Notice was also provided to the Chronicle-Progress, radio station KMTI and each member of the governing body on June 28, 2024.

Those present were:

Mayor:	Michael D. Holt	Council:	Curt Hare
Attorney:	Elise Harris		Kyle Stevens
Recorder:	Kevin Orton		Eugene R. Larsen
			Michael B. Winget (excused)
			Dennis W. Alldredge

Others present were: Wayne Jackson (Fillmore City staff), Dan Rowley, and Devan Shields.

6:30 p.m. Welcome by Mayor Holt and pledge of allegiance.
Mayor Holt excused Councilmember Winget

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Minutes

MOTION: To accept the meeting minutes from the June 18, 2024 regular city council meeting, as corrected.
By: Councilmember Alldredge
Second: Councilmember Larsen
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Payroll and Bills

MOTION: To approve the payment of bills listed on the invoice register dated June 19, 2024 – July 2, 2024 and payroll dated June 23, 2024.
By: Councilmember Stevens
Second: Councilmember Hare
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Licenses and Permits

- Building Permit Application 24-28 for Fillmore Community Hospital located at 674 Highway 99, for an alteration of the existing building (interior construction).

COMMUNICATIONS AND REQUESTS

Fire Department Report – Councilmember Stevens

There were a few grass fires and other fire calls that were responded to in the month of June. There were also four vehicle accident calls. The department is looking forward to doing the upcoming 4th of July fireworks show. Construction of the new shed in the back parking lot of the station continues to progress. Councilmember Hare acknowledged the Fillmore department for their assistance with the latter truck in putting out the Delta Middle School fire.

National Fitness Campaign Project – Wayne Jackson (Fillmore City Planning Coordinator)

The purpose of this program is to get people out into their communities and stay healthy. The project provides for construction of outdoor fitness facilities. Many communities are using this program; however, the facilities are somewhat expensive. The city could benefit from it by finding a good location for the project by strategically placing a 30-foot by 40-foot cement pad that is similar in size to the existing skate park in a good location. The city could benefit from a $30,000 to $40,000 grant to help pay for a cement pad and the exercise equipment. The city is already pursuing a trail system in town, and pursuing this project in conjunction with that may be a worthwhile effort. Mr. Jackson also brought up another possible idea, and that is a pump track similar to what Richfield recently constructed, in that it essentially is a better and safer skate track that would fit where the current skate park is. If the city decides to seek grant funding for one of these projects, the city will need to spend $21,000 for an initial design fee, that would be covered by the grant funding should the city move forward with the project. The grant would allow for in-kind work to be performed by the city for either project. It was also mentioned that RAP tax funding could be used to fund the city's portion of the project. The council liked the idea and instructed the city staff to continue pursuing this possible project.

Engineering/Building Inspection Provider Discussion

The council, in an effort to be intentional in periodically reviewing and discussing the city's engineering services and related expenses, discussed possible benefits of considering hiring a city engineer who would be an employee of Fillmore City in that capacity. Following an in-depth discussion and consideration from the council along with input from the city staff, the council decided against this option and will remain with the city's current engineering firm to provide the city's engineering and building inspection services.

OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL

Resolution 24-12 Amending the Fillmore City Personnel Policy to Follow the Federal Guidelines for Observance of Juneteenth National Freedom Day

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 24-12.
By: Councilmember Alldredge
Second: Councilmember Larsen

Roll-Call Vote:
Councilmember Stevens – Yes
Councilmember Alldredge – Yes
Councilmember Larsen - Yes
Councilmember Hare – Yes
Unanimous. Motion carried.

Resolution 24-13 Approving the 2023 Wastewater Report

MOTION: To approve the 2023 Wastewater Report as presented to the council.
By: Councilmember Alldredge
Second: Councilmember Stevens
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Fillmore City Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief Compensation

MOTION: To approve a new schedule for the Fillmore City Volunteer Fire Department fire chief compensation to include the following: Starting compensation to $300.00 per month, with an increase to $400.00 per month following successful appointment to all successive terms. The schedule also includes an additional $10.00 per month (in addition to the base monthly rate) for each completion of a state approved training certification.
By: Councilmember Alldredge
Second: Councilmember Stevens
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Hare

Electric

- PacificCorp is petitioning to the state utility commission to increase their wheeling fees by 45%. If this is approved, the city will go from paying $38,588 per year in wheeling fees to 77,424. It may result in the council deciding to do a small increase in Fillmore customer power rates.

Library

- A local business has expressed an interest in donating to the city library expansion project should the city move forward with that project.

Councilmember Stevens

Celebrations

- The celebrations committee has completed preparations for the upcoming 4th of July event. Mayor Holt will be driving the fire truck that the city council will be riding on.
- It remains an issue of people parking in front of the fire station during events that are held at the Territorial Statehouse Park. The fire department is working on this issue by coordinating with the Sheriff's office and ordering signs to put up around the building and parking lot.

Fire Department

- The old rescue truck has been refurbished with an engine rebuild.

Councilmember Alldredge

Streets

- Councilmember Alldredge is concerned about people parking on the north side of 900 South (in the road). This makes the road very narrow and difficult for larger vehicles to make their way down the road.
- The city's Utah Inland Port Authority area project was recently introduced to the UIPA board. The project could be approved in the next board meeting.

Millard County Commission

- Millard County has decided to re-bid for the EWP project. As a result of the re-bidding process, work on the spring has not yet commenced but it will be finished by December of 2024.

Councilmember Larsen

Airport

- The airport property was sprayed again today for grasshoppers.

Mayor Holt

- The city will apply for a $3 million state grant that may help in funding airport and library expansion projects.

Closed Executive Session

MOTION: To go into a closed executive session at 7:44 p.m. to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as described in Subsection 52-4-205(1)(d) of Utah Code annotated. Those asked to attend the closed session in addition to all councilmembers were Attorney Elise Harris and City Administrator/Recorder Kevin Orton. Councilmembers Stevens, Larsen, Alldredge and Hare all voted yes.

By: Councilmember Hare
Second: Councilmember Alldredge
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

The council returned to the open public meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The council held a discussion regarding how to handle the request from John Orullian and Rhett Bailey in a prior council meeting to acquire right-of-way property from the city that is located just northwest of the Wildlife Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Councilmember Hare and second by Councilmember Alldredge, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be held July 16, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED July 16, 2024 _____

Michael D. Holt, Mayor