

CORNISH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING -- 4788 W 14300 N CORNISH, UT
JULY 3, 2024

Mayor Leak called to order a regular Cornish Town Council meeting on July 3, 2024, at the Cornish Town Hall, located at 4788 W 14300 N Cornish, Utah 84308 at 7:06 p.m.

Attendance:

Mayor Matt Leak, Councilmember Chris Buxton, Councilmember Colton Creech, Councilmember Brad Fisher, Councilmember John Forsgren, Lauren Draney, Town Clerk

Absent:

Citizens:

Staff Report: Lauren reported that she had the list of delinquent accounts and said that there was one due for a shut off. She said that she has sent a shut off letter to Mayor Leak.

Lauren asked if the invoices they have received from DWA are all for construction. She said that she has been working with Julie Tiumauga getting things ready for the CDBG grant and Julie said it looked like it was just parts and supplies. Lauren explained that she has submitted the invoices and will submit the payroll reports, but she still needs the employee interviews. Mayor Leak pulled up the invoices and the council reviewed them and saw that the invoices show that they were for construction. Mayor Leak said that he will ask about it at the next meeting. Councilmember Creech said that he will so the interviews and asked when they needed to be done. Lauren said that they were due on June 30 but that Julie had opened it up so we could submit the rest of the reports. She also said that she emailed Julie and asked how many people need to be interviewed.

Minutes:

Mayor Leak entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting on June 19, 2024.

Councilmember Forsgren - Motioned; Councilmember Creech - Seconded

Councilmember Buxton – Aye; Councilmember Creech – Aye; Councilmember Fisher – Aye;
Councilmember Forsgren – Aye; Mayor Leak – Aye

The minutes were approved unanimously.

Cornish Minute:

Councilmember Fisher talked about a Herald Journal article from 1985. Councilmember Creech asked where they met before the Town Hall was built. Councilmember Fisher said that they met at the church or Verl's home. He read about what the town was trying to do to control the nitrates. The proposed plan

was to put a reverse osmosis system in every home. The majority voted that they should do it, but it never happened. Councilmember Creech asked why it didn't happen. Councilmember Fisher said he didn't know. Councilmember Fisher continued reading about the Koller family being at odds with the Town over water. There was a proposal to put a valve on the pipe from the spring to avoid chlorinated and diluted water from being dumped. The Town has access to the spring, but the access is not usable in the winter. Councilmember Fisher said that the Town has been good about not demanding access from the Koller's. Even Koller said that the Town should have a bond to cover any damage or wear and tear on the road. The mayor at the time Verl Buxton asked what could be done in an emergency and they couldn't come up with a plan. Councilmember Fisher asked what would happen if there were an emergency, if they would be able to get up to the spring. Mayor Leak said that he feels that they have a good enough relationship that they could go up there and ask for forgiveness after. Councilmember Fisher continued talking about the effects of nitrates on infants. He also read that the nitrates come from decomposing matter and fertilizer. Mayor Leak commented that it was interesting that they had the same nitrate problems then, that we are having now and that they have not been flushed out. He also said that Mike Spackman who works the field around the spring has been very good about respecting the protection zone. Forsgren left the meeting at (7:37.) Councilmember Buxton said he thought it was interesting that they came to the same conclusion of using a reverse osmosis system 40 years later.

Bills:

Total = \$3578.71

Mayor Leak asked who was at the park last weekend. Lauren said that it was the Butlers.
Councilmember Forsgren returned to the meeting. (7:40)

Councilmember Creech asked what the meters and kits were for. Lauren said that it was an old invoice from November. Councilmember Fisher asked who provides the meter for new water connections. He said that they have two spare meters. Councilmember Creech said that the contractor puts in the setter. Mayor Leak said that the new meter is included in the connection fee. Councilmember Creech said that there shouldn't be a meter on any connection until they have a utility service agreement.

Mayor Leak said that DWA would pay for the transponder that they cut during construction.

Mayor Leak moved to approve the bills.

Councilmember Fisher - Motioned; Councilmember Buxton – Seconded

Councilmember Buxton – Aye; Councilmember Creech – Aye; Councilmember Fisher – Aye;
Councilmember Forsgren – Aye; Mayor Leak – Aye

63 The bills passed unanimously.

64 **Action Items:**

65 **Executive Session:**

66 **Business Items:**

67 *Roads-* Councilmember Forsgren said that he is still trying to get a hold of the County to see when they
68 are going to do work on the roads.

69 *Planning & Zoning* – Councilmember Creech did not have anything to report.

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71 *Parks/Town Hall/Finance* – Councilmember Buxton showed a picture of what he is planning for the
72 parking lot. Councilmember Forsgren asked what trees they would remove. Councilmember Buxton
73 showed what trees they would remove. He explained where the septic tank and drain field is and thinks
74 that they will be fine. He also showed a picture of how the parking lot would be graded for the water to
75 drain. Councilmember Buxton showed that they could still have a baseball field to the west of the
76 parking lot. He explained his plans for the shed in the future.

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78 Councilmember Buxton showed the bids for the cost of the parking lot. He said that one of them is old
79 and may not be accurate. The first one is \$142,000. Councilmember Creech asked how much funding
80 they have. Councilmember Buxton said that they got \$60,000 last year and \$80,000 this year that they
81 can use. The second one came in at \$183,000 and is up to date, they were the highest. He mentioned
82 that there are a few things that they could do themselves that would bring the cost down. Valley View
83 Excavation was the same. He said that out of the three bids he thinks that they should use Valley View
84 Excavation. Mayor Leak pointed out that Valley View did not include curb and gutter. Councilmember
85 Creech said that they should probably talk follow up with all of them to make sure that all the curb and
86 gutter work is consistent. He also asked who would do just curb and gutter. Councilmember Creech
87 asked what kind of parking lot experience they have. Mayor Leak said that they all have a lot of
88 experience working with dirt. He also said that Mike did some work for him and came in under his bid.
89 Councilmember Creech said that Valley View did the same for him. Councilmember Buxton will look into
90 it more.

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92 *Water* – Councilmember Fisher said that Jay Williams said that there has been someone who has been
93 peeling out in the gravel in the park and leaving ruts. He also said that Golden Steps said that they could
94 come and trim some trees. Councilmember Buxton said that they will see what they need done.
95 Councilmember Creech left and joined via zoom. (8:32)

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Councilmember Fisher commented that Jay asked if there was a way they could lift the meter lids. They discussed what they could do to make it secure.

Councilmember Fisher asked if he had talked to the State about getting the springs into the system. Mayor Leak said that they asked how many gallons are coming out of the springs. Mayor Leak said that they do not have SCADA up there right now so they cannot measure how much is coming out. They cannot make a plan unless they know how much water is coming out of the springs.

Mayor Leak said that DWA ordered everything for the well house including a SCADA system. They were planning on waiting to put the SCADA system in later so they could look at other options. Mayor Leak said that he is leaning on using Clayton Richardson's company for the SCADA system. He said that Jesse, who they have been working with Wetco has left that company. He said that they have not received good service from Wetco and it is difficult to use. He said that it is not definite that they will use Clayton's business, but it is a good option. Councilmember Creech said that he doesn't think that everything has been ordered. Mayor Leak said that he will try to call Jennifer about it. Councilmember Creech said that they need to stop the order of the SCADA system as soon as possible.

Old Business:

Mayor's Report: Mayor Leak said that Lee Black is using Waste Management and Econo Waste for garbage pickup. Councilmember Creech asked Lauren to call Waste Management and tell them not to pick up his can.

Mayor Leak said that he has had two people reach out to him about the rocks in front of Lee Blacks house. He said that Lee has moved the rocks at least another foot closer to the road. He doesn't know why he did it. Mayor Leak said that he was driving his motorcycle, and the mosquito abatement people were not able to pass him on the road because the rocks were too close to the road. Mayor Leak explained that there is a 33-foot easement. He said that if they enforced the easement with Lee, they would have to enforce it with everyone. He explained that it was a problem before, and it has come back. He also said that is a safety issue. Councilmember Forsgren asked if he should talk to Lee. Councilmember Fisher asked if the people farming couldn't turn out without driving on his grass. Mayor Leak said that they could, and they do get out without driving on the grass. Mayor Leak said that if someone goes to talk to Lee, they should have two people go just in case there are any problems. Councilmember Forsgren said that he could go with Mayor Leak to go talk to him.

Citizen comments:

Mayor Leak said that they need to address the problems in the ally that were brought up in the last meeting. He said that he has driven through there several times, and it is bad. He said that the problems that he sees are how to enforce the issues and how to write it into the ordinance. Councilmember Forsgren said that you could say cars that are registered. Mayor Leak said that it looks like they are

targeting certain people by putting in an ordinance just for the ally. Councilmember Forsgren said that he has gone through HOA parking enforcement at his business. Mayor Leak said that he was planning on looking at HOA contracts to get ideas.

Councilmember Fisher commented that the more they push the worse it is going to get. He said that he drove down the ally and saw that there were several people parked on the road and every driveway is full. He said that they should ask people to be considerate as possible, especially in winter for the plow. Mayor Leak said that the problem is the house by the Kents that is vacant and has several cars there. Councilmember Buxton said an area in Smithfield has a similar problem with having a street that is too small for cars to park on the road, so they are not allowed to park there. Anyone visiting knows that and has to find a different place to park. Councilmember Fisher said that he feels the Town is overreaching. Councilmember Forsgren said that in the winter he couldn't get the plow through the ally and when he knocked on doors for someone to move it no one knew whose car it is. Mayor Leak said that they could make an ordinance and enforce it, or they could send a letter or go door to door explaining to people the problems they are trying to fix and that if they don't fix it on their own, they will need to do it by ordinance. Councilmember Fisher said that he thinks they should go door to door first.

Mayor Leak brought up that there are people living in trailers. He said that it looks like someone is living in one in the Golden Steps parking lot. He also said that there is one on the ally that he has been trying to figure out. Councilmember Creech read the ordinance referencing trailers. Mayor Leak asked Councilmember Creech to send him the ordinance about camping trailers. He said that there are still several campers that people are living in. He also mentioned Doug Littlefield's camper that is attached to his house. Mayor Leak said that there is one in the ally that Tim Lunday says no one is living in it but, several people have told him otherwise. Mayor Leak said that he has sent letters to Doug and has talked to him several times. Doug says he is working on it, but it hasn't changed. Mayor Leak said that if they are going to enforce the ordinance for one person, they must enforce it for everyone.

Councilmember Creech pulled up a picture that he took of the ally. They discussed the problems they saw in the pictures. Councilmember Fisher said that he thinks they have enough ordinances and that they should just write letters. Councilmember Creech said that he would love to hear from all the owners of the houses and see if they are really ok with what is happening on the ally. Mayor Leak said that most of the owners of the houses there don't live there. He also said that they could send a letter to everyone that highlights some of the ordinances that they are having problems with. Councilmember Fisher said that if they put something in place they have to have someone to enforce it. Councilmember Forsgren said that the parking problem is easy and that they could hire a towing company to patrol it. Councilmember Fisher said that it is overreaching to enforce any type of parking restrictions. He thinks that they need to try other ways to handle it before they put it in an ordinance. Mayor Leak said that they can try sending letters and talking to people. That way if people come back and complain when

172 they put an ordinance in place they can show that they tried other ways to handle it. Councilmember
173 Forsgren said that it is a public safety issue as well. Councilmember Fisher said that it is the only reason
174 it would make sense to do something. Councilmember Forsgren said that if there were a medical
175 emergency the ambulance would have a hard time getting to the house. He also said that a firetruck
176 would not be able to get to where they need to on that road.

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178 **Next Meeting:**

179 **Adjourn:**

180 Mayor Leak entertained a motion to adjourn.

181 Councilmember Fisher – Motioned; Councilmember Forsgren - Seconded

182 Councilmember Buxton – Aye; Councilmember Creech – Aye; Councilmember Fisher – Aye;

183 Councilmember Forsgren – Aye; Mayor Leak – Aye

184 Ended at 8:39 p.m.

185 Lauren Draney, Town Clerk