

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Civic Center, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

Present:

City Council:	Braden Mitchell, Mayor Alan Arnold, Councilmember Bart Stevens, Councilmember Anne Hansen, Councilmember Michael Richter, Councilmember Stacey Haws, Councilmember
City Employees:	Steve Brooks, City Administrator/Attorney Cody Cardon, Business Administrator Brandon Cooper, Community Development Director Casey Warren, Police Chief Shawn Douglas, Public Works Director Rich Taylor, Community Services Director Jared Sholly, Fire Chief Michelle Marigoni, City Recorder
Visitors:	Kent Hill Laurie Greenhalgh Wayne Higgs Matt Hennessy Dean Gallegos Garrett Henry DJ Playle Steve Whetton

Welcome & Roll Call

The City Council meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mitchell called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance, including all Council Members, City Staff, and members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance – Steve Brooks

Invocation – Michael Richter

Public Comment

Mayor Mitchell invited members of the public to speak.

Kent Hill stated that he has a piece of property that hadn't been subdivided, but that the city made him deed a part of it to another person. He said he has been fighting with the city for five years, and that he was told after the deed change, he would be able to build a shed. Now he has been given a list of things that he needs to do. He thanked Mr. Cooper for trying to help him resolve it, but the city is treating it like a subdivision. He asked for some options.

Presentations and Reports

Mayor's Report

- The first farmer's market was held on Monday, May 22. The weather was not the best, but the vendors were happy and felt it was successful. There was a great turnout. He thanked staff for their work getting it going.
- There is a meeting scheduled with Senator Milner and Representative Hall, he asked council members to let him know if there is anything to bring up.

City Administration Report

a. Department Reports April

Councilor Hansen asked about the revenue from the court. Mr. Cardon reported that it is an unrestricted fund.

b. May Anniversaries Employee Recognition

Shawn Douglas – 33 years. Shawn is a huge asset for the city.

Laurie Greenhalgh – 5 years. Mayor Mitchell and Mr. Brooks recognized Laurie and presented a certificate and award.

c. Staffing Authorization Plans

d. Community Development Report

Tesla has run into problems getting a transformer. They would like to be open in November.

Smoked Taco has pulled a building permit. Councilor Hansen mentioned the clearing had started on the Motor Vu site and asked if staff could try to get one of their old signs.
The roundabout on 1500 West should be started soon, as well as the one on 1050 West.

Consent Items

1. Consideration to approve meeting minutes from:

May 7, 2024 Council Work Session
May 7, 2024 Council Meeting

Mayor Mitchell asked if there were any changes to the minutes. There were none.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve the meeting minutes. Councilmember Hansen seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion, which passed unanimously in favor.

Action Items

1. Consideration of Resolution 2024-11 awarding a bid to Alta Excavation for 2024 Storm Water Improvement Projects in an amount not to exceed \$229,000.00.

Presenter: Shawn Douglas

Mr. Douglas reported that the main line for the park had five to seven feet that needed to be replaced. There are also some old-style dip stones, which will be removed and storm drains installed. He has not worked with Alta Excavation before, but the engineer has and has been happy with them.

Motion: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2024-11 awarding a bid to Alta Excavation for 2024 Storm Water Improvement Projects in an amount not to exceed \$229,000.00.

Second: Councilmember Richter

Councilor Stevens:	Yes
Councilor Hansen:	Yes
Councilor Haws:	Yes
Councilor Arnold:	Yes
Councilor Richter:	Yes

Motion passes unanimously.

2. Consideration of Resolution 2024-12 awarding a bid to Post Asphalt for the 2024 5050 South Overlay Project in an amount not to exceed \$236,031.95.

Presenter: Shawn Douglas

Mr. Douglas said this would be from 1150 west to the Golden Spike parking lot, as well as curb and gutter on one side of the road. Post is a preferred contractor.

Motion: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2024-12 awarding a bid to Post Asphalt for the 2024 5050 South Overlay Project in an amount not to exceed \$236,031.95.

Second: Councilmember Haws

Councilor Richter:	Yes
Councilor Haws:	Yes
Councilor Hansen:	Yes
Councilor Stevens:	Yes
Councilor Arnold:	Yes

Motion passes unanimously.

3. Consideration of Resolution 2024-13 approving employee health insurance benefits amendment.

Presenter: Cody Cardon

Mr. Brooks began by noting that this was the same proposal that was brought in a few weeks prior. He reported that potential hires have been more interested in benefits and it has been more difficult to hire. This is a small change that may help and not have a large financial impact.

Mr. Cardon reported that the total impact would be about \$60,000 in the general fund. Mr. Stevens asked if 85/15 could be done. Mr. Cardon said they can do whatever, but it may not be worth changing. Open enrollment closes on May 24.

Motion: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2024-13 approving employee health insurance benefits amendment.

Second: Councilmember Hansen

Councilor Hansen	Yes
Councilor Richter	Yes
Councilor Stevens	Yes
Councilor Arnold	Yes
Councilor Haws	Yes

Motion passes unanimously.

4. Review of contract and Consideration of Resolution 2024-14 approving a contract between Riverdale City and Weber Human Services regarding senior center services.

Presenter: Rich Taylor

Mr. Taylor explained that several months ago, WHS was approached regarding options and funding. There has been much discussion leading up to this point. While they have been funding many cities, Riverdale has not received any funding in the past. This is a one-year contract and is currently a draft, but it is close to being finalized and there should not be any major changes. The resolution is written to allow the mayor to sign the contract once it is finalized.

Mr. Haws noticed that the contract includes a requirement for insurance and asked if that was something the city already has. Mr. Brooks confirmed that the insurance is already covered.

Motion: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2024-14 approving a contract between Riverdale City and Weber Human Services regarding senior center services.

Second: Councilmember Stevens

Ms. Hansen asked that DHS be corrected to WHS in the third whereas, and that it should be added to the beginning. The contract should mention that the building is held by the city through the RDA.

Motion and second accepted the changes.

Councilor Richter	Yes
Councilor Haws	Yes
Councilor Arnold	Yes
Councilor Hansen	Yes
Councilor Stevens	Yes

Motion passes unanimously.

Mr. Stevens commented that there must be a catch to this, though he does not see it. Mr. Taylor explained that some other facilities were receiving funding but not providing the same services. WHS had different agreements with each city, so they decided to consolidate into three to five facilities to fund, with Riverdale being selected as one. The one-year contract is easy to approve, but in the future, they may be interested in a longer partnership, which will require more detailed planning. Some cities will lose money, while others will gain.

Councilor Richter asked about the distribution of funds. Mr. Taylor said that five cities are receiving equal amounts in the first-year contract. This will be reduced to three based on location in the future. If Riverdale is selected, more funds would be available.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding recycling program.

Mr. Brooks mentioned that this issue comes up every few years. When the program began, residents were allowed to opt out. Occasionally, someone requests to opt out due to changes in circumstances, such as a reduction in household size.

Mr. Douglas reported that Davis County has required all cities to participate in recycling, and that optional services are utilized by about 30% of residents, whereas mandatory participation reaches nearly 100%. He felt recycling should continue to be mandatory as that is the trend. He suggested changing the fee schedule to have one fee for both services rather than splitting it on the bill.

Councilor Hansen asked if someone could have the can picked up but still pay the fee. They are allowed to opt out of the can, but not the fee. Councilor Haws asked how many opt-outs there are. Mr. Douglas said he was not sure, but that it is less than it was at the beginning. Councilor Haws also asked about the types of items that could be recycled. Mr. Douglas answered that it changes based on the market, though a minimum of 30% of refuse should be recyclable.

Mr. Stevens asked if the city has considered adding a separate can for green waste. Mr. Douglas said more residents are mulching their lawns now, so it has not been an issue as the amount has reduced.

Mr. Arnold noted that the landfill was supposed to last 50 years but only lasted 29, according to his comments from the 2011 minutes. He also asked about the opt-out option—Mr. Douglas reiterated that it was only available at the beginning of the program. Mr. Arnold felt it would be foolish to allow residents to opt out.

There was further discussion about the history and benefits of the recycling program.

Comments

Councilor Hansen reported that it is National Public Works Week.

Councilor Arnold noted for the public that the youth group home would not be addressed during this meeting but would be discussed at a later date.

Councilor Haws asked for an update on the fire burning in the hay barn. Chief Sholly reported that the fire was down to about five feet and should finish smoldering soon.

Mr. Brooks reported that the last drug court graduation will be on June 27th at 1 pm. He also mentioned that the new drug court is receiving a large grant from the AOC, and Riverdale participants will be transferring to the new program.

Mr. Brooks spoke about the farmer's market and noted that the large pavilion would not be available for reservation during the farmer's market. Additionally, the splash pad will be turned off earlier on Mondays to alleviate parking issues.

Mayor Mitchell reported that there will be a fundraiser on June 7th for a park memorial.

The Mayor thanked Chief Warren for working late hours to clear out homeless camps along the river. Chief Warren, in turn, thanked the Mayor for taking calls at night to help resolve the issues.

A wreath will be placed on the veterans' memorial on Friday at 10 am.

Adjournment

Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Arnold moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Richter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Date Approved: 6/4/2024