

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON JUNE 12, 2024 AT THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN HALL
52 SOUTH PARK STREET, RUSH VALLEY, UTAH
THE MEETING BEGAN AT 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor and Council Members Present: Pete Albrecht, Lacey Burrows and Jeremiah Harding. Dana Gardner was excused

Appointed Officers and Employees Present: Clerk/Recorder Patty Rowe, Engineer Doug Kinsman and Fire Chief Jason Bolinder. Attorney Rob Clegg was excused.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes for 05-22-2024.** Mayor Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 05-22-2024. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 3. Sheriff's Report.** The sheriff's office reported six total details in the month of May.
- 4. Public Hearing Upon Proposed 2024-2025 Fiscal Budget.** The public hearing opened at 7:04 p.m. with no public comment and closed at 7:05 p.m.
- 5. Public Hearing Upon Proposed 2023-2024 Budget Amendments.** The public hearing opened at 7:06 p.m. with no public comment and closed at 7:07 p.m.
- 6. Consideration of an Ordinance Establishing the Compensation of the Elective, Statutory and Appointed Officers of the Town of Rush Valley for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.** Mayor Johnson presented the annual compensation of officers and there were no changes from last year. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to approve the ordinance establishing compensation. Councilmember Lacey Burrows seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. Roll call was taken for approval of the ordinance.
- 7. Consideration of a Resolution Adopting the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget and Setting the Tax Levy for the Town of Rush Valley.** Mayor Johnson went over any and all changes to the 2024-2025 budget. An error was found on the Tooele County Distributions column and will be corrected. The tax levy this year is .000685 percent which is higher than last year because the values in the area went down last year. This keeps the revenue the same from year to year. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to approve the resolution adopting the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget and setting the tax levy. Councilmember Lacey Burrows seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. Roll call was taken for approval of the ordinance.

8. Consideration of a Resolution Amending the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget for the Town of Rush Valley. Mayor Johnson went over any and all changes to the amended 2023-2024 fiscal year budget with no comments or concerns. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to approve the resolution amending the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget. Councilmember Jeremiah Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. Roll call was taken for approval of the ordinance.

9. Approval to Surplus Clover Cemetery Shed. Councilmember Lacey Burrows purchased a new shed for the Clover Cemetery and needs to surplus the old shed which is in poor condition. Lacey will post and advertise, take bids and award the bid. Mayor Johnson made a motion to surplus the shed. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

10. Approval to Purchase Two Sets of Turnouts for Fire Department. Fire Chief Jason Bolinder is trying to get all members up to date in the ten-year window with turnouts. He requested approval to purchase two sets of turnouts for \$3,152.86 per set with a total of \$6,305.72. Councilmember Lacey Burrows made a motion to approve the purchase of two sets of turnouts for a total of \$6,305.72. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

11. Fire Department Report to Include Discussion on Fireworks Restrictions. Fire Chief Jason Bolinder reported that five members attended a wildland engine academy in Vernon with six different trainings and mock fire and emergency scenarios. The rescue truck delivery date has been pushed back to July and the box is scheduled for August. Since the last meeting two weeks ago, the department has responded to 13 calls, with nine medical calls, three auto accidents and one fire. Two calls were in town limits and 11 outside of town limits.

As per the State, we are officially out of the drought but there is still dry, standing vegetation and hotter than normal temperatures, so the State and federal agencies have raised red flags. Consequently, fireworks will be banned in the town of Rush Valley. The town council supports the decision to ban and will have it posted.

12. Council Reports. Roads – Councilmember Jeremiah Harding reported that the road paving is complete. He is still working on getting a bid to shoulder all roads in town.

Cemeteries – Councilmember Lacey Burrows reported that she will be removing old flowers and décor from the cemeteries.

Councilmember Pete Albrecht emphasized that we must be mindful of the dry conditions around town. Emergency management includes loss of agriculture due to insects and there are some infestations around the county.

Parks – Councilmember Dana Gardner was not present at the meeting, but Mayor Johnson said that work is ongoing on the fencing project around the town hall.

Mayor Brian Johnson said that he has been working on the budget and also applying for third quarter sales tax money from the county. He announced that Rush Valley Days will be held on September 13th and 14th and will be a catered by Red Beard. Grant money from Communities that Care will help fund the event.

13. Safety Topic. Councilmember Lacey Burrows presented the safety topic on nosebleeds.

14. Payment of Bills. Councilmember Lacey Burrows made a motion to approve the bills as written. Councilmember Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

15. Public Comments. None

16. Adjourn. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Jeremiah Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:56 p.m.