

CASTLE DALE CITY

City Council Meeting Minutes – August 8, 2024



The City Council of Castle Dale, Emery County, Utah, met in an open meeting on August 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
20 S 100 E, Castle Dale, Utah

ATTENDEES

Mayor: Danny Van Wagoner - Excused

Council:

Brad Giles

Joel Dorsch – not present

Julie Johansen

Michael Jorgensen

Emily Mills

Maintenance Supervisor: Ignacio Arrien

Fire Chief: Ignacio Arrien

EMS: -

Land Use Administrator: Kerry Lake

Code Enforcer-Animal Control: Terry Lofthouse

Treasurer: Tresa Skinner

Recorder: Jody Gerber

Others in attendance: Todd Thorne

WELCOME

Brad Giles was presiding and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

All City Council members were in attendance except Joel Dorsch.

MINUTES

Mike Jorgensen pointed out a few typos that need to be changed. Council member Mills motioned to approve the minutes of July 11, 2024; Council member Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Julie Johansen, Michael Jorgensen, and Emily Mills

ATV PURCHASE

Ignacio Arrien reported that the city received all the money from the auction. He is looking for approval to purchase a new ATV for \$13,125 which is covered by the auction money. Council member Mills moved to approve the purchase of the new ATV; Council member Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Julie Johansen, Michael Jorgensen, and Emily Mills

SMALL UNIT ORDINANCE

Kerry Lake handed out a copy of the Land Use ordinance. This was made to allow for a Small Unit Development plan it is for commercial zones and in multifamily residential zones. This will make it possible to allow development in those areas. This allows for more affordable housing.

Todd Thorne explained that the state is pushing cities to make smaller lots available. It allows for a higher density development and standards for affordable housing. There will be smaller yards with less maintenance. They need to be structurally independent. They cannot be made from shipping containers or manufactured homes. The drainage will need to be figured out by the developer. The streets will be 22 feet wide and be considered a private street. The city will not be responsible to maintain this area. Ignacio expressed his concern about the access for emergency vehicles. He doesn't want the city liable.

Council member Johansen moved to approve a small unit development in fill lots ordinance 08-08-2024; Council member Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Julie Johansen, Michael Jorgensen, and Emily Mills

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Kerry Lake reported that the Land Use Committee had a public hearing last month for the ordinance just discussed and a public hearing for a zone change. The concerning lot was sold so the individual was no longer requesting zone change. There was a new business license given out for the rental of jump houses. The High School requested a sign and the Land Use Committee approved it. They met all of the criteria so it was granted.

At their next meeting, they will hold a public hearing. There was something overlooked when they redid the zoning manual so it will need to be discussed at the public hearing and reattached to the existing one.

Julie Johansen commended the zoning board for keeping ahead of plans that the state is requiring.

ANIMAL CONTROL/CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Terry Lofthouse reported 3 calls and he went out 22 times. There was 1 dog bite on a girl's lip. She was okay. When he arrived the dog was gone. Only 1 cat to report.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Ignacio Arrien reported that all of the graffiti was cleaned up except for one place at 200 North. The crosswalk at the high school was taken out. A new one will need to be put in. Whenever access on the sidewalk is removed on one side, it needs to be placed on the other side. The maintenance crew will be working on painting crosswalks when the paint arrives. The work at the fair went well.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Ignacio Arrien reported that a Fire training is August 17th in Emery. The city now has 16 firefighters; 10 of them are new.

There is a change in the burning permits. The new House Bill 567 (signed by Governor Cox) changes the burning permits. The Bill determines the time frame for burning. There is a period for public comment between August 1 - September 3, 2024. After it is approved, then on September 10th it will go into effect. Christine Watkins is the contact. Since the index was based off of Salt Lake City's, it will benefit Emery County and give this area more days to burn. The notification will be posted at the next council meeting.

EMS

Nothing was reported.

TREASURER/RECORDER REPORT

Tresa Skinner reported a sales tax decrease of \$335.89. Transportation tax had a decrease of \$1,305.32 and Short Term Rentals had a total of \$370.84. The Stock Show was held in Castle Dale instead of Ferron. The total cost of the event was \$6,987.55. The total cost of the rodeo was \$4,047.38. The invoice made for the County Fair was \$5,163.44. The county will reimburse the city for this.

Jody Gerber reported that the city issued a total of 85 business licenses for 2024-2025, including 1 new license. There was also 1 new dog license issued. The office is busy preparing for the upcoming audit on September 3rd.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Julie Johansen reported that the new high school is magnificent.

Brad Giles reported about the Maverik sidewalk and road. The Mayor signed an agreement and sent it to the state. Price has signed it too. The State, Castle Dale City, Castle Valley Special Service District, the Mayor and the contractor will meet next week. UDOT is anxious to get it done by the end of fall. Brad handed out a proposed list of projects. The Mayor needs any suggestions turned in by next Thursday to give to CVSSD.

Hillside Drive is a dedicated city street and it was brought to the city's attention to work on it.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR SIGNATURES

Council member Mills motioned to pay the bills; Council member Johansen seconded it.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Julie Johansen, Michael Jorgensen, and Emily Mills

ADJOURN

Council member Johansen moved to adjourn the meeting; Council member Mills seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Julie Johansen, Michael Jorgensen, and Emily Mills

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

APPROVED: 09-12-2024