

**Town of Independence**

**Town Council Meeting**

**06/05/2024 7:00 p.m.**

**In attendance:** Mayor Phil Sweat; Councilmembers Bill Duke, Gary Ryan, Tracy Sabey, and Rose Heaton, and Bonnie Wilson.

**Staff attendance:** Jodi Hoffman and Cathy Bingham.

**Others in attendance:** Kim Tolbert and Randy Bates.

1. Mayor Sweat called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Heaton offered the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Review and possible adoption of draft minutes for May 8, 2024.
  - Councilmember Heaton moved to approve the draft minutes for May 8, 2024.
  - Councilmember Ryan seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed unanimously.
4. Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the FY2023-2024 Town Budget and the proposed FY2024-2025 Town Budget.
  - Mayor Sweat opened the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.
    - Ms. Hoffman explained the proposed budget.
      - \$70,000 from reserves will be transferred to balance the FY 2024-2025 budget. Sales tax revenue was down significantly from the prior year.
      - Road budget for FY 2024-2025 will be increased by approximately \$60,000. Wasatch County Public Works will begin grading and repairs within the next few weeks.
      - Randy Bates (property owner) commented he would like to see the Town's website updated with current documents, codes, restrictions, etc. Ms. Hoffman explained there are no funds allotted to update the website. All meetings and meeting documents are published on the State's Public Notice Website. Ms. Hoffman will meet with Mr. Bates to address his concerns.
  - Mayor Sweat closed the Public Hearing at 7:19 p.m.
5. Consideration and possible adoption of Resolution 2024-02 Amending the FY2023-2024 Town Budget and the approval of the FY2024-2025 Town Budget.

- Councilmember Sabey moved to approve Resolution 2024-02 amending the FY2023-2024 Town Budget and Adopting the FY2024-2025 Town Budget.
- Councilmember Heaton seconded the motion.
- The motion passed unanimously.

6. Roads Update.

- Ms. Hoffman contacted Visentin Tree Services regarding the work needed on Duke Lane. That work should begin in the next couple days.
- Councilmember Heaton reported that the corner of 2400 South and 3600 East has been repaired.
- Rulon Gardner, proposed developer of the Kimball property, will send the traffic study for their proposed development to Ms. Hoffman. He acknowledged the curve at the top of Center Creek Road is not safe. The study will propose a way to fix it.
- Ms. Hoffman and Mayor Sweat met with UDOT and representatives of Daniel Town regarding the location of the Town's entrance from Highway 40. Daniel Town is looking into possibly moving the Little Sweden Road entrance 50 -100 feet north to line up with Daniel Road. UDOT, the Town, and Daniel Town will meet again to discuss the location of the Town Center entrance.

7. Development Update. Ms. Hoffman reported on current developments she is working on.

- Millstream is waiting for the agreement between UDOT, the Town, and Daniel Town on the location of the entrance road off of Highway 40 to finalize their plans.

8. Public Comments.

- No public comments.
- Councilmember Heaton reported that she would be available to meet on Tuesday nights if the Council wanted to change the meeting nights back to Tuesday. The Council agreed to change the meetings to Tuesdays. A resolution to approve the meeting day change will be on the August agenda.

9. Adjourn.

- Councilmember Sabey moved to adjourn at 7:34 p.m.
- Councilmember Duke seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved unanimously.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024



Phil Sweat, Mayor

Cathy Bingham

Cathy Bingham, Town Clerk