

Mayor Leak called to order a regular Cornish Town Council meeting on September 4, 2024, at the Cornish Town Hall, located at 4788 W 14300 N Cornish, Utah 84308 at 7:04 p.m.

Attendance:

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

Absent:

Citizens: Dale Buxton (Zoom)

Staff Report:

Lauren reported that she had printed out the delinquent utility accounts. There are two up for shut off. Mayor Leak said that he had talked to Brayden he will try talking to him about a payment plan. Lauren said that she had emailed Colden with Golden Steps last month and he said that he would make sure it gets paid. Mayor Leak asked Lauren if she emails Peter Maughan's bill. Lauren said that she did and since he was on the delinquent list she also sent it in the mail. Mayor Leak asked Lauren if she would get letters for the Barbers and Golden Steps. She will get shut off letters to Mayor Leak.

Minutes:

Mayor Leak entertained a motion to approve the amended minutes for the regular council meeting on August 21, 2024.

Councilmember Forsgren - Motioned; Councilmember Buxton - 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 the Griffith Spring. He read a decree from the District Court in Cache County in 1938. It read that the Griffith Spring and the spring area was condemned. He continued reading that the use is for Cornish. It also explained a right of way for a pipeline from the spring. They pulled up a map and looked at property lines. Councilmember Fisher read

more about the use of the spring. He explained that there was a hydrant near the spring that was used for the use at a home that is no longer there. Councilmember Fisher read that the Town was trying to get a right of way to get to the spring. Mayor Leak said that the right of way is just over the pipeline. Councilmember Fisher said that it was more than that, but he doesn't know where it is. He explained that that hydrant line has not been on for several years. He said that the judge gave the rights over to Evan Koller because the hydrant was always on. He said that Evan used it for watering deer, stock and trees. Councilmember Fisher said that because they are not using that hydrant the owners could forfeit it for non-use. Councilmember Forsgren said that they should probably start keeping a record of it as proof of non-use. Councilmember Fisher explained that the Town got the Griffith Spring through condemnation. Councilmember Creech asked what that meant. Councilmember Fisher explained the Town paid to have the spring condemned for the use of culinary water.

Bills:

They looked at the invoice from William L. Prater for the legal services for the loan.

Total = \$9,577.58

Mayor Leak entertained a motion to approve the bills.

Councilmember Creech - Motioned; Councilmember Fisher – Seconded

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

Councilmember Forsgren – Aye; Mayor Leak – Aye

The bills passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Executive Session:

Business Items:

Roads- Councilmember Forsgren did not have much to report. He said that they probably will not be getting the BRAG money for the feasibility study for the Kofed Spring. He said that it is not big enough to be a consideration. Mayor Leak said to keep looking at it.

Councilmember Creech said that Ben from UDOT said they came back and mowed. He asked if the Town was still using the radar signs, if not they want to take the posts out. Councilmember Creech explained why they had not been using it and that they need to get them back up.

Planning & Zoning – Councilmember Creech showed a flyer that he put together for the Alley. He said that he put in the main points that he noted at the neighborhood discussion. Mayor Leak commented that the Town is willing to put in \$2500 towards helping remove the tree. Councilmember Creech asked if he had heard from Jenyfer. Mayor Leak said that he has not talked to her yet. He was planning on waiting until he could figure out how much other people were willing to pitch in. Councilmember Fisher stated that taking the tree out should increase the value of the property. He said that when you buy a piece of property you get what you buy. Mayor Leak said that he sees that but that he is also worried about the water line and the road that could be damaged by the tree. Councilmember Fisher commented that it seems like the thinking is that the government will pay for things.

Parks/Town Hall/Finance – Councilmember Buxton said that he measured the lights at the Lewiston Elementary School parking lot and they are about 90 feet apart. He is thinking about doing three lights on the west side. He explained that they are going to do a little league size field on the North end. The parking lot will have about 70 parking spots, they are planning on putting the shed on the southwest corner. They will also get water to the other side of the lot by the ball field. Councilmember Buxton explained that they are keeping the baseball field because some of the original donations for that were to put a baseball field at the park. Mayor Leak showed a picture of the Cornish Ward baseball team from 1983.

Councilmember Creech asked if Councilmember Buxton had talked to Jorgen about when he was going to start working on the lot. Councilmember Buxton said that he had not talked to him but he saw that his trucks were still in Tremonton. Mayor Leak said that they will keep the little league sized field and that it will almost be big enough for softball. Councilmember Buxton said that they looked at the number of people from the Fall Festival from last year and it would fill the parking lot. He says he still feels comfortable with the size of the lot. They talked about what they would do with the stuff in the shed. They decided that they could put a lot of the stuff in the Town Hall and there is a lot of stuff that they could get rid of. Councilmember Buxton asked Lauren if Cameron still wanted the shed. Lauren said that he probably did. Councilmember Buxton explained that he is planning on moving the location of the shed so they can have a loading and unloading area as well as some handicap parking.

Councilmember Creech commented that Nick Creech had asked if they were going to put a fence in along the parking lot. Nick said that he has had parts taken off his irrigation line. Councilmember Creech told him that they would likely be putting a chain link fence in.

Water – Councilmember Fisher said that they put a different type of barrel for a water meter at the Olson's. He explained that it is on flexible line so they can pull it up and do work on it. Councilmember Fisher asked Lauren to explain where they are at with getting the Olson's water meter. Lauren explained that she received an email from Gilbert asking about what they need then got a reply from Charles who filled out the utility agreement. Lauren let them know that Gilbert had to be the one on the utility agreement since he is the landowner. She is waiting to hear back. Councilmember Fisher said that Levi didn't hook it up because the pipe they used was inside pipe that wasn't supposed to be buried. He asked if it was supposed to be a barndominium, he noticed that there are no windows in it.

Old Business:

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Leak reported that Heather Pattee from the State is coming to do an inspection. He said that she needs payroll reports and something from American Steel Certification. Lauren said that she has the payroll reports and can get them to Heather. They did not know where they can get the American Steel Certification. Mayor Leak said that he can meet with her.

Mayor Leak said that the water report from Bear River Health came back clean. He also said that they got the credit from the radio. He also pulled up the employee interviews for the CDBG grant. Mayor Leak asked if anyone wanted to go to lunch with Congressman Jason Chaffez. No one wanted to attend.

Mayor Leak reported that he has been keeping up with the water project. They are ready to make their first draw from the loan. He explained that the Town received \$1.4 million and the town will only pay back \$660,000 back at 0% interest. Councilmember Creech said that he was concerned that they have not heard anything about the engineering for phase two of the project. Mayor Leak said that he will talk to them to make sure that they get everything ready. He also said that he will talk to the Bank of Utah to make sure they are ready with the construction easement.

123 **Citizen comments:**

124 Mayor Leak asked Dale if he had anything he wanted to talk about. Dale said he did not.
125 Councilmember Creech asked how many lights Dale would do at the parking lot at the park.
126 Dale said that he would do maybe three new lights. Mayor Leak said they were thinking about
127 running a conduit and water line under the parking lot to get power and water on the other
128 side of the parking lot.

129 **Next Meeting:**

130 **Adjourn:**

131 Mayor Leak entertained a motion to adjourn.

132 Councilmember Fisher – Motioned; Councilmember Forsgren - Seconded

133 Councilmember Buxton – Aye; Councilmember Creech – Aye; Councilmember Fisher – Absent;

134 Councilmember Forsgren – Aye; Mayor Leak – Aye

135 Ended at 8:02 p.m.

136 Lauren Draney, Town Clerk