

PERRY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
PERRY CITY OFFICES
August 8, 2024

7:00 PM

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Jeppsen presided and conducted the meeting. Council Member Nathan Tueller, Council Member Toby Wright, and Council Member Ashley Young

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Council Member Dave Walker, Council Member Blake Ostler

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Shanna Johnson, City Recorder
Scott Hancy, Chief of Police
Dave Freeze, Sergeant
Jason Harris, Detective
Brittney Zeiseniss, Police Records Clerk
Bill Morris, City Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Colleen Hancey
David Hancey
Tesla Hancey
Porter Hancey
Jhett Hancey
Val Shupe

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeppsen welcomed everyone and called the City Council meeting to order.

ITEM 2: PROCEDURAL ISSUES

A. Conflict of Interest Declaration

None.

ITEM 3: PRESENTATIONS

The presentation was moved further down the agenda, as the presenter for the UCOPA had not yet arrived.

A. UCOPA Accreditation

Chief Hancey gave a report that he has been working on the Utah Chief of Police Association (UCOPA) accreditation for 5 or 6 years. He explained that there are 176 standards with the Utah Chiefs of Police Association. Perry Police Department is the only department in the county that is accredited currently. He shared that the accreditation demonstrates to the public that not only is the department compliant with state and federal law, but they are in the position to react to the changes that come in each year through the courts and case law. He shared that he is proud of his team and stated that he would not have attempted the accreditation if he did not have the team that he has. He thanked Ms. Johnson for her support with the documents that were needed for the accreditation.

Val Shupe, Executive Director of the Utah Chiefs of Police Association arrived and shared that Perry Police Department is now 1 of only 30 accredited departments in the state. He explained how hard the process is to become accredited and commended Chief Hancey on how quickly he completed the process. He then presented the plaque for accreditation to Chief Hancey.

Mayor Jeppsen expressed his gratitude to UCOPA for the support and guidance that they give law enforcement and thanked Chief Hancey and his department for all the work they put into this accreditation and the service they give the community.

ITEM 4: DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Fourth of July

Ms. Johnson gave an overview of the 4th of July celebration. She noted that attendance was much higher this year. She shared that it was a record year for the race, with 269 racers (up 77 racers from last year). She added that the first responders served 299 breakfasts, and the bingo revenue doubled. The games run by the Rockettes brought in 50% more revenue than last year. The police brought in a Hot Wheels monster truck and raised money with their dunk tank and donut eating contest that will be donated to the Box Elder food pantry. She reported that the festivities brought in \$23,430 with expenses coming in at a couple thousand dollars over that, but she is still waiting on reconciling some of the statements that come in. She reported that she discussed some possible changes with the Box Elder County Tourism Board, such as whether fireworks will be a possibility with new development happening where the fireworks are set off. She mentioned that in the meeting, they discussed moving the location of the fireworks or doing a drone show instead, which start out at \$15,000 for a 12–18-minute show with 100 drones. Ms. Johnson asked the council to think about a good candidate for a parade chairperson for next year, as the current chairperson stated that this was her last year.

Council Member Tueller recommended buying more creamies next year, as the dance brought in more people this year. Mayor Jeppsen discussed software that would be beneficial for tracking the number of people attending an event by pinging cell phones.

Council Member Wright mentioned that he appreciated presenting the community awards at the dinner held at the new City Hall. Ms. Johnson mentioned she loved the national anthem being sung during the parade. Council Member Wright asked if the city had a video camera to use to record events and discussed possibly purchasing one. Council Member Young reported that she had a lot of positive comments about the fireworks.

B. Budget Update- June of Fiscal Year 2024

Ms. Johnson gave a preliminary budget update for June 2024 (SEE SLIDES). She reported that the city has collected 92% of the general fund and she anticipates that this will go up as taxes come in. She stated that the Utility Fund has brought in 93% of revenue and the Sewer Fund is at 94%. She added that she is expecting more to come in for the sewer due to reimbursement from Willard. The Non-Operations Funds did well and brought in 190% of planned revenue due to developments of multi-family units, which generated more impact and connection fees. She reported on expenditures, noting that the city has only spent 72% of the general fund budget, 72% of the utility fund budget and 88.5% in the Sewer Fund budget. Ms. Johnson explained that these numbers will continue to change through August and September as money comes in and adjustments are made. She mentioned that she felt like most of the department budgets look good. Her only concern was the Parks Department, which is already 97.6% spent which does not leave much of a buffer for possible bills coming in. She reported that sales tax came in at 3.97% more than the prior year, but it still came in at \$63,461 less than was planned to be received. Ms. Johnson shared that the billing for garbage was much higher in June due to tipping fees and felt that there may need to be some

adjustments made to the budget for the current fiscal year. She stated that the garbage may need an additional \$34,000 and there is only an extra \$20,000 in the Utility Fund.

ITEM 5: MINUTES & COUNCIL/MAYOR REPORTS (INCLUDING COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS)

A. Approval of Consent Items

- June 13, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes
- June 27, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes
- June 27, 2024 RDA Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Council Member Wright made a motion to approve the consent items. Council Member Tueller seconded the motion.

Motion Approved. All Council Members were in favor.

B. Fiscal Year 2024 Fraud Risk Assessment

None.

C. Mayor's Report

Mayor Jeppsen gave an update on some conversations over Trident and the fire study for Box Elder County. He said that they had set up a meeting and then canceled due to vacation schedules. He shared that he had a discussion with the chief and assistant chief of the First Responders and the Emergency Manager, and they shared some concerns they have with the plan. He explained that according to the plan, they would split the county into 2 districts, a north district and a south district. He expects that it is going to take some time before a final report meeting is scheduled.

D. Council Reports

Council Member Young shared that she has had a lot of compliments on the state of the parks.

D. Staff Comments

Ms. Johnson reported that they had a bid opening on the Historic Orchard Pathway. The decision regarding a contractor to complete the work should be made next week.

City Attorney, Bill Morris reported that the mayor was served by someone that was injured at the Rusted Spoon restaurant. The insurance company is saying that it was public infrastructure that caused the injury. He shared that it is his opinion that the manhole that the person fell into is a private water line and not serviced by the Perry City. He spoke with the defense counsel and plaintiff counsel yesterday and they are going to have the case settled on the city's side without any cost.

Ms. Johnson notified the council that the ULTC (Utah League of Cities and Towns) Conference was coming up and if anyone is interested in attending, registration is open, and she could assist with signing up.

Council Member Tueller inquired if there was any information from UDOT on the Highway 89 Master Plan that can be shared. Ms. Johnson answered that the information is on the city website.

E. Planning Commission Report

None.

ITEM 6: EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ITEM 10: ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Tueller made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Approved. All Council Members were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Kevin Jeppsen, Mayor

Shanna Johnson, City Recorder

Misty Moesser, Deputy Recorder