

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL
October 3, 2024
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:	D.J. Bott	Mayor
	Matt Jensen	Councilmember
	Dave Hipp	Councilmember
	Dave Jeffries	Councilmember
	Ryan Smith	Councilmember
	Robin Troxell	Councilmember
ALSO PRESENT:	Christina Boss	City Recorder
	Mark Bradley	City Planner
	Tom Cooper	Public Power Director
	Nicole Cottle	City Attorney
	Chris Howard	Police Commander
	Angie Johnsen	Human Resource Manager
	Tom Kotter	Finance Director
	Derek Oyler	City Administrator
	Tyler Pugsley	Public Works Director
	Elizabeth Schow	Library Director
	Brandon Thueson	Fire Chief
	Mike Young	Fire Marshal/Assistant Fire Chief

Mayor Bott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Bishop Donaldson gave the reverence period, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Mayor Bott recognized the following new hires.

- Jacob Whitaker, Public Works Parks Specialist
- Kami Leishman, Associate Librarian

CONSENT

Request for Approval of Minutes from Work Sessions on September 5, September 12, and September 19, 2024 and City Council Meetings on September 5 and September 19, 2024

Request to Write-off Utility Accounts Due to Bankruptcy or Being Sent to Collections

A list of accounts totaling \$2,870.10 was presented for removal from the City's system due to customers taking out bankruptcy or being sent to collections.

MOTION: A motion to approve the Consent agenda was made by Councilmember Hipp, seconded by Councilmember Jeffries, and carried unanimously. Councilmember Jensen, aye; Councilmember Hipp, aye; Councilmember Jeffries, aye; Councilmember Smith, aye; Councilmember Troxell, aye.

SCHEDULED DELEGATION

Review Upcoming Bond Proposal on November 5, 2024 Election Ballot

Keith Mecham with the Box Elder School District came forward and spoke about the School District's construction and bond history, current needs, and the \$220,000,000 bond proposal.

Box Elder School District School Construction					Projects funded with 2007 Bond			
The \$220 Million BOND Proposal will be using the Debt Service Levy to pay for the project!					Year	Location and Project Summary	Cost	Source
<u>Previous Bonds passed over the Years:</u>					2010	Bear River High New Classrooms, Additions	\$27,179,025	'07 Bond
1912	\$180,000		1961	\$3,500,000 3 yrs	2010	Box Elder High New Classrooms, Additions	\$34,132,884	'07 Bond
1920	\$200,000 8 yrs		1978	\$8,500,000 17 yrs	2011	Garland Elementary New School	\$9,300,000	'07 Bond
1934	\$140,000 14 yrs		1984	\$10,000,000 6 yrs	2012	Fielding Elementary New School	\$9,273,000	'07 Bond & QSCBond
1945	\$600,000 11 yrs		1993	\$28,500,000 9 yrs	2012	Snowville Elementary New School	\$2,087,000	Bond Premium
1950	\$500,000 5 yrs		2007	\$70,000,000 14 yrs				
1958	\$2,500,000 8 yrs		2024	\$220,000,000 17 yrs				
* Source: https://brighamcityhistory.org/education/box-elder-schools-construction/								

Projects funded since 2007 with Capital Reserve

Year	Location and Project Summary	Cost	Source
2012	Box Elder Middle New Gymnasium	\$5,137,737	Bond Premium & Capital Reserve
2016	Alice C. Harris Intermediate	\$1,700,000	Capital Reserve
2017	Independent Life Skills Center	\$6,900,000	Capital Reserve
2018	North Transportation - Support Services	\$7,400,000	Capital Reserve
2018	Adele C. Young Intermediate Addition	\$4,500,000	Capital Reserve
2021	Sunrise High School	\$9,858,565	Capital Reserve
2022	Golden Spike Elementary	\$27,684,900	Reserve, Real Property Lease
2023	Grouse Creek Elementary	\$2,200,000	Rural Schools Grant Capital Reserve

- First Priority: \$144,000,000
 - Replace Bear River and Box Elder Middle Schools
- Second Priority: \$66,000,000
 - Additions at Bear River and Box Elder High Schools
- Third Priority: \$10,000,000
 - Lake View and North Park Elementary Schools moving into Young and Harris Intermediate Schools

Mr. Mecham explained that if the bond proposal is approved, homeowners with properties valued at \$450,000 would see an increase of approximately \$238.27 in their property taxes. He distributed an information pamphlet to the Councilmembers and those in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Juliana Larsen – Ms. Larsen asked if there was a scheduled date for the next General Plan update meeting. She questioned if the School District considered the County's growth and development when estimating the number of future students.

Keith Mecham – Mr. Mecham responded to Ms. Larsen stating the University of Utah's projection for the population of children aged 5-17 in Box Elder County was a -1% growth over the next 36 years.

Julie Thurgood Johnson – Ms. Johnson was upset about the possible annexation of her Harper Ward property. She also felt commercial businesses should be taxed appropriately.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Oyler reported on the following:

- Utility revenue bond – closed with a 3.17% interest rate and an estimated \$1.8 million bond payment; received 30% design review on Penstock Line with cost estimate of \$18 million
- Police Department – finished Citizen Academy; CERT started new class
- Fire Department – new program, Rescue Squad, will keep paramedics on rig for serious injuries and send AEMTs on minor calls
- USU Flight School – at Brigham City airport is open

- Laan Thai Restaurant – now open; located in the Academy Center
- Sidewalk & road projects – Safe Routes to Schools project will be finished next month; completed asphalt overlay on Forest Street from 1400 West in preparation for overpass project; working on road patching and chip sealing throughout the City

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Smith – spoke about the Museum exhibit featuring Jill Thompson, female comic book artist, and the upcoming February exhibit, Japanese American History in Box Elder County. He relayed the Museum staff's appreciation for the new carpeting.

Councilmember Troxell – attended the Box Elder County Summit sessions on growth, housing, and annexation. She announced there is a citizen group working on improvements to the skate park.

Councilmember Jensen – also attended the Box Elder County summit and encouraged folks to seek information regarding growth and future development from reliable sources.

Councilmember Hipp – enjoyed his meal at Laan Thai. He spoke about a citizen concerned with a nearby business and encouraged the individual to make direct contact with the company. He reported that the interaction was successful and reminded folks to initiate direct contact before reaching out to the City.

Mayor Bott – speaking to Ms. Johnson's comment, Mayor Bott encouraged her to revisit Box Elder County regarding her building permit as there was some confusion among County staff regarding their process. He also clarified that any changes to Highway 38 are controlled by UDOT, and he stated commercial business are taxed fairly and legally. Mayor Bott spoke about the September 26th meeting with folks outside the corporate City limits and their comments on future annexation areas. He stated the next General Plan Update meeting date would be posted on the City's website.

ACTION ITEMS

Request for Appointment New City Recorder

Mayor Bott announced the City Recorder, Christina Boss, would be retiring and asked for Council's approval to appoint Kristina Rasmussen as the new City Recorder.

MOTION: Councilmember Troxell made a motion to approve the appointment of Kristina Rasmussen as the City Recorder. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hipp and carried unanimously. Councilmember Jensen, aye; Councilmember Hipp, aye; Councilmember Jeffries, aye; Councilmember Smith, aye; Councilmember Troxell, aye.

Ms. Boss administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Rasmussen.

Fire Department Proclamation

Mike Young came forward and presented the Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week. He invited the public to the Fire Department Open House on Thursday, October 10th at 6 p.m. and announced that the Power Department would be participating in the event.

Consideration of Ordinance Amending Power Sports Subdivision Phase II to Amend and Extend Lot 1 at 1125 South 450 West

Mr. Bradley approached the staff desk and displayed a map showing Lot 1, including a portion of RC Brothers property between Lot 1 and 1100 South. Lot 1 would extend to 1100 South and would be renamed Lot 3 to distinguish a change. All existing easements would remain.

MOTION: Councilmember Troxell made a motion to approve the Ordinance amending the Power Sports Subdivision Phase II to amend and extend Lot 1 at 1125 South 450 West. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Smith.

Roll Call:	Councilmember Hipp	Aye
	Councilmember Jeffries	Aye
	Councilmember Jensen	Aye
	Councilmember Troxell	Aye
	Councilmember Smith	Aye

At 7:07 p.m. the Council adjourned to a closed session.

MOTION: Councilmember Smith made a motion to adjourn to a closed session to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property and the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hipp.

Roll Call:	Councilmember Smith	Aye
	Councilmember Troxell	Aye
	Councilmember Jensen	Aye
	Councilmember Jeffries	Aye
	Councilmember Hipp	Aye

At 8:57 p.m. the Council returned to an open meeting and adjourned.

MOTION: Councilmember Smith made a motion to return to open meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jensen and carried unanimously. Councilmember Jensen, aye; Councilmember Hipp, aye; Councilmember Jeffries, aye; Councilmember Smith, aye; Councilmember Troxell, aye.

MOTION: Councilmember Jensen made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Smith and carried unanimously. Councilmember Jensen, aye; Councilmember Hipp, aye; Councilmember Jeffries, aye; Councilmember Smith, aye; Councilmember Troxell, aye.

The undersigned duly appointed Recorder for Brigham City Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true, accurate and complete record of the October 3, 2024 City Council Meeting.

Dated this 21 day of October 2024.

Christina Boss

Christina Boss, Deputy City Recorder