Meadow Town Council
November 11, 2024
Meadow Firehouse
7:11 p.m.

*****THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED *****

Attendance: Mayor Gary Bishop, Councilmember Sunny Guild, Councilmember Channing Stott, Councilmember Jim Beckstrand, Councilmember Justin Jensen, Clerk Monica Dearden, Treasurer Haley Abplanalp, Lynn Bond, Zane Murnan, Tony Cowley, Lloyd Robison, Mark Cowley, Ed Zmitravich, Andee Holdaway, Liz Stott, Allen Erickson, Dennis Bond, Hunter Ashworth, Stetson Dahl, Andrew Flake, Camille Jensen, Daniel Jensen

1. **Opening Ceremonies (three-minute limit):** Opening ceremonies were held in the public hearing immediately following this meeting and were not repeated. Mayor Bishop welcomed those in attendance and took a moment to thank the Veterans as today is Veterans Day. He appreciated the flag display at the park and the flags that are up on the light poles on Main street.
2. **Review of minutes: Town Council Meeting: October 14, 2024:** Channing motioned to approve the minutes. Jim seconded. All were in favor.
3. **Declaration of conflicts with or personal interest in any agenda items:** No conflicts
4. **Public comments: Issues and/or matters to be discussed and expressed by the public. (Limited to <u>three minutes</u> per person.)**
    a. **Stetson Dahl & Hunter Ashworth:** Stetson and Hunter asked if they could report back on their trip to Washington D.C. together. They both indicated that the week they spent was fun and educational. They were able to attend a Catholic Mass, the Holocaust Museum, a Masonic Temple, the outside of the White House, the Washington and Lincoln memorials, Arlington cemetery, the Supreme Court, Library of Congress, the Capitol, Ford's Theatre and Mount Vernon. Stetson said his favorite was probably Mount Vernon and shared that it was huge! Hunter liked the Library of Congress best and said he learned a lot there. They both thanked the council for contributing to this opportunity.
    b. **Tony Cowley:** Tony indicated that a few years back when Lynette Bond was the clerk that the draft meeting minutes were uploaded to the public notice website and he would like to request that this happens again. Tony stated that state law and the open public meetings act says this needs to be done. Mayor Bishop said that he'd like to look into that. Tony would also like the minutes read to the public.
    c. **Dennis Bond:** Dennis stated that he has been accused and threatened about spraying. He shared that he had talked to Alisha Baker about spraying in Meadow awhile back and she felt it was ok to spray to the road in front of your property. He said people have pictures and film and maybe

he misunderstood, but many others are spraying and only he gets chastised. Mayor Bishop clarified that you can not spray any town property or off your own property, but his takeaway from discussions with Henry at the state, is that you wouldn't be cited or fined for spraying directly in front of your property and that all spraying needs to be done with care and caution.

   d. **Allen Erickson:** Allen shared that the Welcome to Meadow sign had been delivered and the committee met to decide exactly where it will sit and it will now need a foundation because of the placement. Allen asked the council to consider a possible donation and wanted it noted that Jill Averett was not asking, he was. Jill is still working on collecting some donations and has a yard sale planned.

5. **Accounting Reports**
   a. **Review and approve payments:** Monica went over the current claims with the council. Channing motioned to approve the payments. Justin seconded. All were in favor.
   b. **UAMPS bill payment:** September's UAMPS bill was $13,381.36 and was paid on November 7th. Monica had to call UAMPS to email her a bill as it never came in the mail. Jim motioned to pay the next UAMPS bill upon arrival. Sunny seconded. All were in favor.
6. **Water Department:** Channing said that he didn't have much to share. Andrew has fixed some leaks. Andrew is working on updating the records as he finds issues. Mayor Bishop reported that he had run into Channing and Andrew in the middle of a work day and they were both muddy and had been repairing a leak. He noted that it seems all the town employees; sexton, park, meters, elected officials, clerical staff, etc.do a lot more than is on the record and there is a lot happening behind the scenes and work getting done.
7. **Electrical Department:** Sunny reported that there had been some outages from snow and trees, but they were back up and running pretty quick. Hopefully from here on out there will not be tree related outages after the trimming that was done.
8. **Road Department:** Justin shared that he got the small snow plow back from Dearden Motors. It may need more work next year, but should be ready to go. The orange plow is available if needed too.
9. **Parks and Cemetery:** Jordan winterized the park. He also had a lot of cleaning up of limbs to take care of from the heavy early snow storm. Monica has contacted Holt Waste about removal of the dumpster. At the cemetery, Lee has things in shape for the winter. Markers have been added, but Jim feels they are too short and aren't the best. He has talked to Ian at Fillmore Farm & Feed and they can get some that he thinks will work better for about $300. Justin added as a side note that the town four wheeler is too old to add a plow. The small plow should work with the reflectors.
10. **Fire Department:** No business
11. **Planning and Zoning:** Andrew reported that they didn't meet last month. They are at a point that they are just spinning their wheels with a few loose ends to tie

up on the proposed Short Term Rental Ordinance. He threw out a few questions for the council to discuss and/to think about.

- The ordinance has a max number of short term rentals allowed, is that something that the council wants to stick with, if so what would that number be? Mayor Bishop felt that would be a good question to ask at the public hearing.
- What would be the cost for a short term rental business licence? More? Mayor Bishop shared that he had consulted Justin Wayment, our legal counsel on this questing and he advised that it be the same cost as any other business licence in Meadow.
- A discussion was held about safety requirements. Is that on Meadow Town to assess or would that be something that the applicant could self-attest to?
- Would an additional insurance policy be required? Mayor Bishop and the council didn't think so.

12. **Administrative**
    a. **SB175- Subdivision Ordinance update with Daniel Jensen:** Daniel Jensen from Sunrise Engineering- Daniel gave a summary of HB 174 that was set forth by the Utah Legislature in 2023, then cleaned it up in 2024 with HB 476, these regulate subdivision codes. The State of Utah has some free funding to help with updating the codes for communities and make sure they comply. The council felt this was a good opportunity and gave Daniel the go ahead to build it and cover bases for the town. This will require a public hearing which will be held on Monday December 16th at 7:00 with the regularly scheduled town council meeting to immediately follow.
    b. **Employee Christmas bonus:** In the past Meadow Town has given employees a $50 bonus and a $25 gift card for a turkey, ham or something of their choice. Mayor Bishop and the council would like to continue this.
    c. **Christmas lights at the park:** Sunny will contact Dixie Power about getting the lights up at the park.
13. **Other business:** None
14. **Closed Session (UCA 52-4-205 & 205) to discuss one or more of the following (if necessary): The character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; collective bargaining; pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares; the sale of real property, including any form of water rights or water shares; deployment of security personnel, devices or systems; investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct; contract negotiations, the disclosure of which would be detrimental to the city's bargaining position.**
15. **Any action necessary as a result of the Closed Session:** No closed session was held
16. **Adjourn:** Channing motioned to adjourn the meeting. Justin seconded. All were in favor.

Monica Dearden
Meadow Town Clerk