

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **4:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Monday, February 24, 2025**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson and Council Member Tyler Schena, appeared electronically. Council Members, Alison Webb, Lance Cox and Owen Spencer. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder Patty Simard. Public present: Mark Whittlesey, Jackie Whittlesey,

City Recorder Patty Simard offered the opening prayer, pledge and thought.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED:

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Spencer motioned, and Council Member Webb seconded to approve the minutes from **February 10, 2025**. All voted in favor. None opposed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT:

No conflicts of interest were voiced at this time.

BILLS APPROVAL:

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council. Council Member Spencer motioned, and Council Member Cox seconded to approve the proposed bills for **February 13, 2025**, as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

BEAVER COUNTY ATV JAMBOREE DONATION REQUEST:

Chris Moore and Wende Black, Representatives from the Beaver County ATV Jamboree presented their request for the upcoming ATV event. They asked for \$3,000 to pay for the Jamboree meal, the use of city facilities, and permission to close roads for a parade. The event is expected to bring over 3,000 participants. Motion to approve the request for the Beaver County ATV Jamboree, including \$3,000 for the Jamboree meal, the use of the City Center facilities, and approval to close roads for the parade, made by Council member Webb, seconded by Council member Spencer. Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPTION OF SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE:

This item was postponed to the next council meeting.

MAYOR PRO TEM DISCUSSION AND NOMINATIONS:

The mayor recommended continuing with Council member Schena as mayor pro tem for 2025, citing his status as the longest-tenured member of the council. No other nominations were made. Motion to approve Council member Schena as mayor pro tem was made by Council member Cox, seconded by Council member Spencer. Motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

The council proceeded to appoint key city officials for the year 2025.

City Manager

Mayor Robinson recommended to appoint Jason Brown for the position of Beaver City Manager.

Motion to appoint Jason Brown as Beaver City Manager made by Council member Webb, seconded by Council member Cox. Motion passed unanimously.

City Treasurer

Mayor Robinson recommended to appoint Stacy Phelps for the position of Beaver City Treasurer.

Motion to appoint Stacy Phelps as Beaver City Treasurer made by Council member Spencer, seconded by Council member Webb. Motion passed unanimously.

City Recorder

Mayor Robinson recommended to appoint Patty Simard for the position of Beaver City Recorder.

Motion to appoint Patty Simard as Beaver City Recorder made by Council member Cox, seconded by Council member Spencer. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**Council Member Spencer:**

Council member Spencer provided an update on various bills being considered in the state legislature, including:

- Multiple conflicting bills regarding property tax changes
- A bill transferring school property tax to a state pool for redistribution
- Bills related to housing, affordable housing, and water
- Transportation use fee modifications

Mayor Robinson:

Matt mentioned ongoing discussions about SB 40, which proposes changes to the 1% hospital tax process. The bill would require voter approval every ten years for the hospital tax to go towards the municipal hospital. Matt also provided an update on the hospital's recent remodel and associated bond.

Council Member Webb:

Alison reminded everyone about the upcoming Broadway and Center production, starting on

Wednesday, February 26th, and running through Saturday, March 1st. Over 60 people are involved in the production this year. Alison mentioned that she was at the Prevention Coalition meeting today, and they have expressed interest in participating with the upcoming Easter egg hunt again this year.

Council Member Cox:

Lance reported on the racetrack. He said that Paige and the current trainers were grateful for the city's work up at the track. They mentioned a high number of horses at the facility and expressed concerns about the water truck. Lance also raised concerns from citizens about the accumulation of cars at some businesses, particularly those visible from the highway. The council discussed the need to potentially strengthen ordinances to address this issue.

Council Member Schena:

Tyler discussed the upcoming Easter egg hunt that will be held on April 19th in the morning.

City Manager Brown:

Jason reported that Mayor Robinson and he met with Beaver Travel Council and requested \$36,000 from them to help with the upcoming events, including five baseball tournaments, two softball tournaments, and the Southern Utah Amateur Golf Tournament. Jason commented that there was a false fire alarm at the Opera House due to a fog machine being left on, causing the building to fill with smoke. The situation was resolved without damage. Jason reported that the sewer improvement project is moving forward, they will be meeting on Tuesday to discuss electrical needs. Bids from contractors are expected in about two weeks. Jason also reported that he received a notice today from Travelers Insurance regarding water damage to the North Building area. He will review it with the insurance company and he will follow up with council.

CLOSED SESSIONS:

Council Member Cox motioned, and Council Member Spencer seconded to move into closed session to discuss purchase, exchange, or lease of real property when public discussion of the transaction would disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the public body from completing the transaction. Council Members Webb, Schena, Spencer and Cox voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Hunter excused. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. The council moved into closed session at 4:46 p.m. and moved out at 5:07 p.m.

Present in above closed session: Mayor, Matt Robinson and Council Member Tyler Schena, appeared electronically. Council Members Lance Cox, Alison Webb, Owen Spencer, City Manager, Jason Brown, City Attorney, Justin Wayment and City Recorder, Patty Simard.

Council Member Webb motioned, and Council Member Cox seconded to move into closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Council Members Webb, Cox, Schena and Spencer voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Hunter excused. The motion passed with a majority vote. The Council entered closed session for the above

reason at 5:07 p.m. and moved out at 5:27 p.m.

Present in the above closed session: Mayor, Matt Robinson and Council Member Tyler Schena appeared electronically. Council Members Alison Webb, Lance Cox and Owen Spencer, City Manager, Jason Brown, and City Attorney Justin Wayment.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member Cox motioned, and Council Member Webb seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held March 10, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.



APPROVED: _____ **ATTEST:** _____
MATTHEW ROBINSON **PATTY J. SIMARD**
MAYOR **CITY RECORDER**