

SPRING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, August 7, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was held in the Council room at Spring City Hall, 45 South 100 East, Spring City, Utah 84662.

In Person Attendance: Moroni Taylor, Cory Madsen, Chad Huff, Susan Allen, Gary Allen, Brad Peterson, Mike Nelson, Carla Nelson, Mike Black, Bruce Spiegel, James Baker, Dan Rasmussen, Brian Allen, Paul Strong, Cami Christensen, Daniel Cook, Lorene Clark, John Stewart, Phil Wood, Joel Skousen, Stephanie Figgat, David Siggat, Ruth Bergener, Cerola Calderwood, Bruce Caldwell, Kat Caldwell, Lorene Clrk, Kay Van Buren, Phillip Wood, Claudia Kaelin, Monte Bona, Su Tullis, Lowell Brown, Alison Anderson, Becky Brunner, Sonja Brown, Jane Hawkes, Kristen Moretensen, Ruth Ann McCain; Recorder.

Zoom Attendance: Scott Newman, Tim Syme, Whit Allred, Mike Black, Melanie Cook, Jaelynn Williams, Tony Rudman.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chris Anderson

Expression of Choice: Moroni Taylor

Roll Call: Randy Strate, Marty McCain, Ken Krogue, Chris Anderson, Courtney Syme, Paul Penrod

Mayor and Council Member Department Reports

Council Member Randy Strate stated that the water project is coming along well. The last connection is being made. Getting the SCADA system hooked up and running is the last part of the project. A fire hydrant on Main Street broke when it was being tested by the Fire Department. That has been replaced.

Council Member Marty McCain stated that all his items were on the agenda.

Council Member Ken Krogue stated that the hydro is still having challenges, and it is getting harder to find parts to fix it. Kent Kummer has been very sick with the flu and COVID symptoms.

Council Member Courtney Syme stated that he had nothing to report.

Council Member Paul Penrod stated that the Fire Department tested the hydrants for flow and debris. There were a few that were leaking, like the one that broke, and they will get a list to Cory. Right now, we are in a red flag warning, which means high extreme fire danger. Council Member Penrod suggested that people always have a hose available to use in case something happens. The Fire Department is waiting to see if we get a truck called up to the Monroe fire. There were two firemen from our department that worked there for two weeks.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that the bike path from Mount Pleasant to Spring City is finally coming into town. The path is established by the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area under

Monte Bona's direction. It should be completed by the end of the month when a ribbon cutting, and ceremonial first ride will take place.

Public Comments

Jane Hawkes stated that if someone in the valley sees a glow or light on the mountains to alert the Fire Department or someone who can check it out.

Gary Allen stated that he would like to see the city have an annual car show event on Father's Day weekend. Mr. Allen felt that it would cost about \$1,000 for the event if it was advertised and there was music and trophies. Mr. Allen is willing to form a committee of five to seven people, and they will report to the City Council. Mayor Anderson stated that he would like to follow up with Mr. Allen on this.

Cerola Calderwood stated that she is concerned about the bike path and our roads and speed limit. She would like to see our speed limit drop down to 25 miles per hour.

Jim Baker stated his thanks to the mayor, his wife, and Paul Penrod who came to his home when there were concerns about the vibrations from the compacting for the bike trail.

Shade Panels/Sails over the Playground – Lorene Clark

Lauren Clark stated that the playground gets too hot in the summer to use during the day. She has been looking at prices for shade sails. They run from \$2,000 to \$250,000. The shade sails themselves are \$30 to \$50 each depending on the size. Having multiple posts will allow you to adjust the sails. The posts will be the biggest expense; they need to be 7 feet above the highest point of the playground. We need to know what insurance requirements are to move forward. There was some discussion about the posts. Ms. Clark stated that she would like to have a committee to see what our community can put together ourselves. Mayor Anderson said that Ruth Ann can find out the insurance requirements and would like Ms. Clark to get a committee together. Perhaps we can get some contributions to help fund the project. It was discussed that Fairview, Ephraim, and Manti would have some shade sails that anyone can go see to understand what is being considered.

Hansen Crypt – Paul Strong, Discussion

Paul Strong passed out pictures and a diagram (that can be found in the handouts). He stated that he is related to James Allred, and his wife is related to Hans Jorgan Hansen. Hans Jorgan Hansen Junior and his son are buried in the crypt. Mr. Strong stated that the crypt is an underground mausoleum and was built in 1891. The Crypt was buried up to the entrance staircase many years ago to prevent vandalism. Mr. Strong stated that his main intention was to reach the burial chamber to see what the ceiling structure is like. The burial chamber floor is 12 to 14 feet in the ground and is a work of art. He would like to dig it out and go into the burial chamber to find out where the bodies are and he would like to make sure the ceiling is safe. A family member, Hanoy Hansen, is the one that sketched out the crypt, which Mr. Strong shared with the council. With the family's agreement he would like to photograph the crypt and present a history to Spring City. Mr. Strong would like to take the capstones off, pour a decorative concrete wall to match the stone – what it would have looked like, then replace the capstones, lay down decorative gravel, and restore the birdbaths that were there. Mr. Strong stated that there are 14 plots that could be used but he would seal the crypt back up and those would not be used. Mayor Anderson asked if Mr. Strong was able to talk to local family members like he was asked to do. Mr. Strong stated that he and his wife had talked to local family members, and they were told that the crypt

would be sealed back up. There was some discussion about disinterment, who will be doing the work, and that the city will look to see if any permits will be needed. Mike Black will get in touch with Mr. Strong.

Inspection Deposit Return Before Building Completed – Joel Skousen

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that Mr. Joel Skousen has requested his inspection deposit be returned because the inspections have been completed. He asked Craig Paulsen about this matter and was told that it has been our policy that the deposit does not get refunded until the project is substantially completed or there is a certificate of occupancy. A few members of the council stated that they had looked at our city code to find when the deposit should be returned and were not able to find anything that states when it should be returned. Our city inspects the setbacks, the footings, and after the foundation is poured. The county does all the other inspections. There was some discussion about when to return the deposit.

Council Member Randy Strate made a motion to refund the deposit to Mr. Skousen and anybody else and that an ordinance be drafted to put the wording in that says we would refund the deposit within 30 days of when the last inspection is completed. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ken Krogue. Discussion: Council Member Courtney Syme stated that there should be a way to document that the inspection has been completed. It should also be filed with the zoning permit.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Planning and Zoning Report

Council Member McCain stated that Planning and Zoning had a Public Hearing to extend the Light Commercial Zone one block North on Main Street. He then read out loud the change proposed to be made to the Spring City Municipal Code 10-6E-1 in Ordinance 2025-04.

Ordinance 2025-04 An Ordinance Amending Title 10-6E-1 Extending the Light Commercial Zone One Block North

Council Member Marty McCain made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-04 amending 10-6E-1. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Penrod. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Truck Bids for Public Works

Council Member Randy Strate stated that the Public Works truck is having engine trouble. They are looking at purchasing a mid-size truck instead of one that has a full flatbed because the work they do is running around, the gas price is better, it is more economical, and they don't need to carry big stuff around. Cory has received four bids for a new truck. His preferred choice is the one that costs \$47,997. Cory Madsen stated that the one he prefers has a better suspension system and will hold up better when needed to go to the water tanks, hydro, and sewer lagoons. There was some discussion about our current truck and what to do with it. Randy Strate stated that Dave Oxman will shift money out of the depreciation in the water and sewer funds to cover the truck. The truck will be split between three funds water, sewer, and roads. Cory stated that his intent is to rotate the truck out every three to five years. Council Member Courtney Syme asked Cory several questions and Cory answered them all.

Council Member Ken Krogue made a motion to move forward with the Crew Cab AR2 Off Road purchase price of \$47,997. The motion was seconded by Council Member Randy Strate. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Full-Time Help for Public Works

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that we have lost some workers recently. One from the Electric Department and one from Public Works and we need to get some help. Council Member Strate stated that there was some discussion about hiring someone that the Public Works and Electric Departments could both use. Ruth Ann stated that with Kent being very sick for quite some time the decision was made to post the position of groundsman. Both Council Members Syme and Strate brought up that Kent will retire soon, and we need someone that can replace him. A good compensation package will be needed also to retain them. Council Member Krouge stated that the schooling from apprenticeship to journeyman is an investment so who we want them to work for a period of time to repay it back and if they don't there needs to be a payback structure in place. Council Member Strate stated that he didn't know about the job posting for the Electric Department. He was thinking of adding another employee to replace Trevor, the question is should we hire a full-time employee for Public Works. It is dangerous not to be fully staffed. Cory stated that it is difficult to find someone who will work part-time in the winter and full-time in the summer. There was considerable discussion about pay structure, part-time or full-time, working for the city, keeping someone busy during the winter, and job sharing with another city like Kent does. It was decided to further investigate what we need to do to fill Trevor's vacancy and how to get them certified in water and sewer.

Set Date to Canvass the Primary Election

It was decided to hold a Special City Council meeting to Canvass the Primary Election on Tuesday August 19, 2025, starting at 6:30 pm, and hold a work meeting after the Special Council meeting.

Brief Overview of Costs & Revenue

Council Member Ken Krogue stated that he would like to take a closer analysis of the city’s revenue and cost structure model. We could then see if property tax, sales tax, or utilities create more revenue. He feels that this would be beneficial to the city and the citizens. Council Member Randy Strate stated that he can talk to Dave Oxman to help.

Possible Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation, Vote (2/3 Needed)
Vote to Approve a Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Council Member Randy Strate made a motion to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Council Member Marty McCain. Discussion: there was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

The Council moved into the closed session at 8:24 pm.
The Council moved back into the City Council meeting at 9:14 pm and roll call was again taken.

Roll Call: Randy Strate, Marty McCain, Ken Krogue, Chris Anderson, Courtney Syme, Paul Penrod.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that they were coming back into the open public meeting from a closed session where pending litigation was discussed.

Reschedule a Work Meeting to Discuss: a) Possible Changes to Ordinance 2025-03 Amendments to Title 10: Zoning Regulation & Amendments to Title 11: Subdivision Regulations & b) Spring City’s Requirement to Connect to the Sewer System if a Pump is Needed

It was decided to hold a Special City Council meeting to Canvass the Primary Election on Tuesday August 19, 2025, starting at 6:30 pm, and hold a work meeting after the Special Council meeting. The work meeting will most likely start at 6:45 pm.

Financial Report for July 2025

Council Member Ken Krogue made a motion to approve the financial report for July. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Penrod. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Payment of Bills

Council Member Ken Krogue made a motion to approve the payment of the bills for July. The motion was seconded by Council Member Marty McCain. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Minutes for June 26, 2025, Public Hearing for Ordinance 2025-03

Council Member Paul Penrod made a motion to approve the minutes of the public hearing on June 26th. The motion was seconded by Council Member Marty McCain. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Minutes for July 10, 2025, City Council Meeting

Council Member Ken Krogue made a motion to approve the July 10th City Council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Randy Strate. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Minutes for July 31, 2025, Special City Council Meeting

Council Member Marty McCain made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special City Council meeting on July 31st. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ken Krogue. Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Vote:

Randy Strate	Yes
Marty McCain	Yes
Ken Krogue	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Council Member Randy Strate made a motion to adjourn.

Adjournment: 9:18 pm

APPROVED

