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La Verkin City Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 15, 2025, 6:00 pm. Council Chambers, 111 S. Main, La Verkin, Utah

Present: Mayor Kelly Wilson; Council Members: Patricia Wise, Richard Hirschi, Blair Gubler, and Micah Gubler; Staff: Kyle Gubler, Fay Reber, Derek Inlay, Nancy Cline, and Chief Nuccitelli. Public: Doug Bennet.

A. Called to Order –Richard Hirschi gave the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm.

B. Presentation:

1. Nick Wright from HVFD

Nick Wright gave the statistics for September. Fireman Spendlove retired. The sales tax initiative passed the senate so the property tax will not be as high. Impact fees increased from 516.46 to 1003.79.

2. La Verkin city Royalty and Youth Council introductions.

Merridee Johnson had the La Verkin royalty introduce themselves. Miss La Verkin is Adria Layton, 1st Attendant is Julliette Skousen, 2nd Attendant is Jenna Perdue, 3rd Attendant is Talia Taggart, Miss Congeniality is Emri Seegmiller, and Spirit of La Verkin is Abigail Seegmiller. They sang a jingle.

The Youth Council was introduced by their Mayor Isaiah Iverson. Jacob Julison, Emily Lisenby, Lily Stewart, Juliette Skousen, and Angel Howard are council members. The city administrator is Ben Alton, Levi Lane is the operations director, Lincoln Lane is the recreation director, Brittany Sheeran and Taylor Pearson are the public safety department. Isaiah Iverson thanked the council for their support that has given them experience in leadership, opportunities to serve their community and for them to go on a trip to meet the governor. Those experiences have inspired them to come home and make a difference right here in their own city. The Youth Council gives them a voice and a chance to learn what it really means to be involved in local government. They have seen firsthand how much time, care, and effort is put into making La Verkin a great place to live. The city councils example has shown them what true community leaders look like. They thanked the council for believing in them, for giving them these opportunities, and for continuing to invest in the next generation of leaders. They are excited to keep learning from this experience and to keep serving their city with the same spirit, dedication and courage.

Mayor Wilson asked them what the youth council will be doing this year.

Isaiah Iverson replied they will be serving in the community and trying to recruit more kids to be involved in youth council.

C. Consent Agenda: (Items on the consent agenda may not require discussion. These items will be a single motion unless removed at the request of the Mayor or City Council.)

1. Declarations of conflict of interest
2. Agenda
3. Meeting Minutes: September 3, 2025, regular and work meetings, September 17, 2025, regular meeting.
4. Checks & Invoices: \$ 224,709.68

The motion was made by Councilman Richard Hirschi to approve the consent agenda as written. Meeting minutes from September 3, 2025, regular and work meeting, September 17, 2025, regular meeting. Checks and invoices in the amount \$224,709.68, second by Councilwoman Patricia Wise. Roll Call Vote: Hirschi-yes, Wise-yes, Blair Gubler-yes, Micah Gubler-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Public Hearing

1. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Amendment.

Kyle Gubler reported that the revenue was the adjusted property tax for \$7,600. That's because the state doesn't get the tax numbers to the city before we approve the agenda it happens this way. So, we adjusted that to other sales and use tax, telecommunications, transit room tax, and RAP tax in the general fund. Taxes were \$48,106 that we increased the revenue. Intergovernmental revenue was \$532,000. That is money that will come from the county for the regional trail.

We need to get that decided tonight and send that off to the county so that they can get us the money. There's also another grant that is money from the county for the animal shelter. There's a little bit of confusion. At this point, we show the money coming in revenue to us. Chief informed us that the county may pay those contractors directly. Either way, if they pay the contractors directly, that'll be just money that we won't spend and it's in the budget, which I hope we won't. That's intergovernmental revenue for \$618,000. We increased the interest income of \$5,000. We had some miscellaneous revenue of \$1,500 for the America 250 grant. And for those of you who were here last Saturday and were at the event, Councilman Gubler or Chief Nuccitelli talked to us about that again. It's a pretty sharp looking car and that's what that grant went for. And then we have a \$33,500 carry forward for the subdivision set up fee, which was just \$1,500. Last year that we need to move forward, miscellaneous expenditure on subdivisions. For a total revenue of \$706,106, where the expense show up there was our truck to carry forward of \$4,500. We had an accident, and we fixed that truck and paid for it this year. \$1,500 for American 250 grant for the derby car. \$86,000 for the dog shelter, \$35,500 for the subdivision set fee, trails for \$532,000. RAP tax, \$30,000, and that is to help in your budget amendment, created for our RAP tax to spend on the restrooms out at Wanless Park, assuming that you guys are good to go with getting those renovated. What they're going to do is just about \$96,000 to renovate those bathrooms. There are currently two bathrooms out there. We're going to make four bathrooms that will be generally anybody can use any of them. And there will be two that are handicapped accessible instead of just two bathrooms we now have four bathrooms. We added \$1,000 to help pay for that assuming we still want those fixed. Then we added \$1,600 to the recreation budget and that's just to help with supplies and various this building. And \$15,000 for work on the bridge. We're putting a sign out here on the building as opposed to the one behind this, their logo. So that's a total expenditure of \$706,106, which equals the revenue. In the water fund we increased the revenue by \$10,000 and part of that expenditure was to buy a truck for the water department and savings into the water fund from the rate increase.

Public Hearing opened at 6:19

No comments were made.

Public Hearing closed at 6:20.

2. Approval of the 2025 Joint Agency regional water conservation plan.

Doug Bennett from the water conservation manager for the Washington County Water Conservancy District. And this is the first ever joint plan that's been produced in the state of Utah. Historically, every city and every water district in the state of Utah have been required to submit a plan every five years to the state for approval. And typically, the small communities will hire an engineering firm or somebody to write this plan for them, and they would spend between \$10,000 and \$20,000, to have someone else produce this plan for them. But now that we're sharing the water supply and everybody's a partner in the regional water supply agreement, Scott Taylor of the city of St. George, who was at the moment, writing one of these plans, comment he didn't understand why we can't just write one and submit it on behalf of all of us because we're all doing the same stuff. Doug thought that was a great idea. The state looked at the statute and said they thought they could work with just a single plan. We're expecting this will save the agencies over \$100,000 collectively, and with adoption of this plan by your council, that will mean that La Verkin will not have to produce another plan until 2030. He was pretty sure that'll be another joint regional plan, and therefore you'll just simply be tagging onto it. This plan contains measures that we already have in place. There's really nothing controversial here. Probably everything that's in this plan, all the measures that are already being taken, both in La Verkin and your sister communities around Washington County. They've already read about in the newspapers how we're handling this, so there's nothing new here. Mostly what we're trying to do is just inform the state, write a document that people can read easily, and be able to meet the statutory requirements. He was here if anyone had any questions related to the water conservation plan.

Mayor Wilson added that the plan was approved by our board in early September, and it's been posted publicly announcement of this hearing.

Doug added that it was publicly available, and it's been on the district's website for over a month so the public can view it. The state required us to get some kind of acknowledgement that each city intended to join this plan. But there's no obligation that the city has to subscribe to it and has to be done through this adoption, but the state wanted to know who intends to use a joint plan.

Public Hearing started at 6:23

No Comments were made.

Public Hearing closed at 6:24.

E Business:

1. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution R-2025-14; a resolution opening and amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget.

The motion was made by Councilman Micah Gubler to approve Resolution R-2025-14 opening and amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget, seconded by Councilman Richard Hirschi. Roll Call Vote: Hirschi-yes, Wise-yes, Micah Gubler-yes, Blaire Gubler-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution R-2025-15, approving the 2025 Joint Agency regional Water Conservation

Councilman Blaire Gubler commented he liked the plan. He likes conservation. As he read through the numbers and looked at everything, he thought they were using a lot of water. They're using 70 or 75% of the water we have available. Are water rights more secure? We benefit from water rights being used in the county. Are water rights used in other parts of the city? Do we have water rights being used in the county because we're jointly connected.

Mayor Wilson asked Doug if the water rights are used in their own city.

Doug replied that typically unless a city wholesale some of their water. The cities are able to sell water to their neighbors. And yes, it's typically used in your city. And the district's role is to bolster whatever water demands you have that you don't already have with everybody's additional water.

Mayor Wilson added he thought everyone else had used all their water rights except for La Verkin. We have water left over.

Councilman Blair Gubler commented the way he read it the city didn't get any rights to sell to other agencies or other government. He asked if the agreement with the district is almost done and will it come before the council.

Mayor Wilson replied it is almost done, and the council will vote on it.

Councilman Blair Gubler was concerned about 30 years down the road having enough water.

Mayor Wilson replied that's what all of them were concerned about, and that was part of the agreement was going to be 30 years down the road, we still have it.

Kyle Gubler added that the attorney they have doing the water agreement is doing a great job protecting the city's water rights.

Mayor Wilson added that it was good with the Water District because they really relied on his expertise to make sure that the agreement is done right and protects us and protects them.

The motion was made by Councilman Richard Hirschi to approve Resolution R-2025-15, approving the 2025 Joint Agency regional Water Conservation Plan, second by Councilwoman Patricia Wise. Roll Call Vote: Hirschi-yes, Wise-yes, Blair Gubler-No, Micah Gubler-yes. The motion passed.

3. Discussion and possible action to proceed with the application for the Utah Rural Opportunity Grant. Councilwoman Wise explained that the city is considering applying for the grant that the mayor just mentioned and the purpose of this grant would be to hire a consultant, help us develop a plan for a downtown development area. Having a walkable downtown and then also consider the rest of state street commercial planning. We are in the process of putting in the application now. Gathering information is going to be very time-consuming. The Planning Commission will have to sign off on it next week. Gary Kidd is working on some information about how much of our commercial land has already developed, what has been planned that we know is pretty certain will happen and then what is still in question. By doing this we can create an overlay zone that will help us decide what types of business will be best and what part of the city they should be in. The actionable part of it is we hope to include some infrastructure. With this grant they like planning but also want us to follow through with the plan. As far as the money goes, she left messages for two different downtown consultant firms. One is highly recommended, Destination Development. She believes the director is Collette Cox who works for the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity. She spoke with Kelly Stoll. She believes he is the Economic Developer of Kane County. They used Roger Brooks and have been very, very pleased. As far as the La Verkin match, the state will pay for a city our size, in third class county, which Washington is, the state will pay 60% of the grant. That leaves us the entity applying for a 40% match. The council needs to move forward on deciding if we want to proceed with the application. We had a meeting the other morning with Kyle, Kelly, Darren, Derek, and Alan Bice, our head chair. Kyle thought that we could go up to as high as \$40,000, if need be, without seriously being detrimental to other items that we have on our priority list. We will also need to get a match from the county. It's not guaranteed at this point; it is just an application. But we definitely hope to get it.

Councilman Micah Gubler asked if it was time sensitive.

Councilwoman Wise replied it needs to be in by October 29, 2025.

Kyle added that the match money of \$40,000 would come out of savings.

Mayor Wilson asked if this money could go towards paying the planner.

Councilwoman Wise replied that it would not. It can be used to hire a consultant to do the downtown development and overlay plan but not for a planner the state feels that communities that are applying for this need to be able to pay for a plan. The grant can go to other things like infrastructure or marketing. Kyle had a really great idea in the meeting tossing ideas around so that we could rebrand La Verkin. La Verkin needs to have a story, it needs to be special, and so we kind of need to rebrand it.

Kyle added that if they got the grant it would come before the council again for approval to accept it and hire a planner.

Councilman Micah Gubler asked if the city would be able to work more closely and intimately with this group. He felt like the last time it just felt like it didn't fit and they didn't use it. If we're able to work with them through the process and kind of give them an idea it could be beneficial.

Councilwoman Wise replied that would be part of the city's agreement with the consultant in the contract. Whichever council members wanted to be involved or to the extent that a council member wants to be involved, that they are involved. It's such a big deal. She hoped they could get it because the timing is crucial. We still

have a lot of open land. We all know we want La Verkin to keep the community feeling. We don't want to look like other cities. We want to be ourselves.

The motion was made by Councilman Micah Gubler to proceed with the application for the Utah Rural Opportunity Grant, second by Councilman Blair Gubler. Roll Call Vote: Hirschi-yes, Wise-yes, Blair Gubler-yes, Micah Gubler-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion regarding the upcoming meeting with the Division of Drinking Waters potential lead and copper grant/loan.

Mayor Wilson explained that they have already received approval for a 50% grant up to a million one. It was presented to them that the project would roughly cost \$2 million. They've agreed to give us half of that money in loan forgiveness, which is basically grant money. When we went to meet with them, he expected to get all the money. We told them that and they didn't know what to tell us. But after discussion with them, their advice was to accept what they have. We could present it to the council and see if we wanted to move forward with what they've already offered. We also want to meet with them again and see if there's a possibility of improving the terms of it. The term was the payback of the Million One was 20 years at 2.5% interest, which amounted to about \$75,000 a year for 20 years. He explained to them that we hadn't intended to raise the water rates to cover that project. Our intent was to get the money to be able to replace the water line coming into town, which is our main water line from the springs. It's a 12-inch line, and it's buried in some places up to 18 feet in the ground, and that's something that should have been remedied in the road, but it didn't happen. And we've had some issues with that in the last few years. It's pretty critical that we get that taken care of. He explained that to them and they said maybe we could help out with that project. But that was a maybe and it's nothing for sure. But our plan is that we will meet with them again. We've already talked with the lady that kind of prepared that for us, Andrea. She presents it to the board on our behalf. And then they make a decision. And we're going to meet with her again and see if we can get those terms on the payback more favorable for us. Maybe extend the time to 25 years.

Kyle added that it can be extended to 39 years, he wouldn't suggest that. And there have been several things, the conversation with her, there is a possibility if we can identify the majority of the project is in a low to moderate income neighborhood, which we can prove that. The terms of the loan she mentioned a 0% interest was an option. If we can get 0% interest and extend it to just five years, it would work, it would be less than \$44,000 per year and that is more manageable.

Mayor Wilson added the money is ready for us. We need to move forward with this and see if we can make that work out for us. Hopefully we can make this work in our best interest to get that section of town taken care of. It definitely needs it and the federal government's mandating that it is to be completed by 2030, and this money is available right now.

5. Discussion regarding the cemetery wall

Mayor Wilson explained that other than doing a block wall there's maybe another option that might even be better than a block wall. It's called Rhino Wall; it's a company out of Provo that makes these panels that they're out of cement but the inside of it is foam and they're fairly light. His understanding is one panel weighs about 250 pounds. He didn't know if the engineering had already been done on them or not.

Kyle added that it's an eight-foot wall and there is engineering required they take care of all that it's the only company that we have that does this. We'll have to modify our existing code. They had pictures of the wall and there were more online. For an eight-foot-high wall the bid was \$97,237.00 for the North wall. They got on the computer to measure the distance, and the GIS gave them a number, and they based their bid off of that. There may be a variance as they get going. This includes the installation. The council needs to decide if they want to do it. The money would come out of savings. There has been some talk about even going across the front that's right out on state street. That could not be an eight-foot wall there, but it could be a lower wall with wrought

iron fence, and they do that as well. There's even talk about coming down this side of main street just depending on how much money you want to spend this is just for the north side between the cemetery and the residential side. If we ever wanted to, we could put that wall up. You can see they can put some landscaping in there, which we could too. And then there was talk about the possibility of putting a flagpole, maybe multiple flagpoles, and having some sort of a memorial in there. There's been some people that would really like to see it. If you've been out cemetery when you have a funeral, the dogs are barking, and you can see the chickens. Now, this bid is good for 60 days, so obviously they'll probably have to re-bid it for this estimate. But first off, if you're interested in this kind of wall, then we'd have to change the code to allow this type of wall.

Councilman Hirschi asked about a chain-link fence with slats in it.

Kyle replied that most people would say it didn't look good.

Councilman Micah Gubler asked what the wind rating is.

Kyle replied it needs to be engineered so he didn't know if the state required a wind rate.

Derek added he only knew of one house that had to withstand three 100-mile wind gusts. But he didn't know about the cemetery requirements.

Kyle asked if they were interested in the wall continuing in front and back of the property.

Councilman Micah Gubler would like it to get done. He believed the longer they wait it will be more expensive.

Kyle asked about running electricity to put lights on it and have a flagpole with a flag. Which was not included in the bid. There is part of the cemetery that no one can be buried in due to utility lines that run through it.

Councilman Micah Gubler looked up the company, and they charge \$36,000 to install it and wondered if they could find someone else cheaper.

Mayor Wilson replied they should let the company do it because they know what they are doing. And Dereks crew does not want to do it.

Councilman Hirschi and Micah Gubler would like to see it get done and liked the style of the wall.

Councilwoman Wise replied she liked the idea of it. She wasn't convinced by looking at these photos. She would like to look at their website and see if she can get a little more information, or if they have it installed here locally, they could go look at it. She was willing to spend the money. She agreed that we should just do the north wall. If we do a downtown development area, we potentially will have maybe a certain look, and so if we're going to put a partial wall across the front of the cemetery on State Street, then it would be nice to have it flowing with the design. We've all been in agreement that we want a Veterans Hill, and that's where the flag poles would come in. She didn't know that putting this wall in first by itself would hinder that of Veterans Memorial in any way since it would just be on the property line. She was open to looking at this but not 100% sold until she could see it in person.

Kyle asked if she preferred cinder block.

Councilwoman Wise replied that there's a lot of different types of cinder block walls as an example that dark gray that interstate rock uses in cottonwood hollow is very attractive and then they also have the lighter gray instead of the reddish or the sand-colored cinder block. This company says that it comes in as gray concrete and

that all coloring is done after installation. Is the coloring part of the quote? She would like to move forward on the wall, but she isn't sure this is the best product.

Councilman Blair Gubler agreed with councilwoman Wise. They need to see what it looks like long term. How it holds up.

Mayor Wilson replied he has seen it in expensive neighborhoods.

Councilwoman Wise suggested getting a list from the company of walls around here they have done. That way they can go look at them.

Kyle replied they can go on the website rhinorock.com and look up any information they want. He said it would be up to the council if they wanted to paint the wall or not.

Councilwoman wise asked since this isn't necessarily a natural concrete. Does it need to be painted?

Kyle did not ask them if the picture was of a painted wall or if it was the natural color of concrete.

Councilman Micah Gubler thought the picture did look like natural concrete.

Kyle replied he did not ask for painting to be included in the quote. They could always repaint it if they didn't like it. He wanted to bring it to their attention so they could have the information and think about it. If they want to start on it now, it's about \$100,000.

Councilwoman Wise agreed that she is willing to spend up to \$100,000.

Councilman Micah Gubler suggested that they all look up the website and put it back on the agenda for next meeting when they can get more information.

Councilwoman Wise asked Kyle if he could contact them and ask for some addresses they can go look at their work. On the website he could direct us to an image that is the unpainted concrete wall. And how many people, to his knowledge, don't paint the concrete.

Councilman Micah Gubler added that in Cottonwood Hollow, if they do those retaining blocks. Those are solid concrete, but they finish it like its rock on the exterior. He had those at his house and stained those.

Councilwoman Wise added that when Kyle was asking about the cinder block wall, some of the individual properties on their backyards, side yards, have that dark gray cinder block, and it really looks nice. Now, if it's the same cost as this, and we get to see what this looks like in person, maybe this is a better way to go. You know, if we're going to do this, and if we're going to spend \$100,000 let's make sure it's what we want.

Kyle suspected a cinder block wall would be more labor intensive and must be engineered also.

Councilwoman Wise asked if they had Sunrise engineering do the design of the memorial how much would that cost.

Kyle replied that he thought they would hire somebody to do it. The good and bad is it's the city engineering company and they would tack on a fee to do it. He would rather hire a landscape architect to do it directly, and then we're not out the money to Sunrise also.

Councilwoman Wise asked if they need to consider electrical when putting up the wall?

Derek replied that they are putting electrical through the south side, and the wall will be on the North. It will be on city property, and the wall will be on the property line.

6. Discussion regarding the Elementary school crossing guard hours.

Chief Nuccitelli explained that he received a phone call about a month ago that the two crossing guards that were at State and Center Street weren't there until 9 o'clock. He spoke with the person over the phone, and they were upset. He informed them that the crossing guards stayed there until 8:55. The first bell rings at school at 8:55. Anything after 9 o'clock is considered a late pass at the elementary school. He has personally been out there doing crossing guard duty. He liked doing it. It's a tough gig. They were just concerned that maybe their kids being late couldn't make it across the street safely in the morning without the crossing guards there. He didn't know if the city would be open to longer hours. The two crossing guards that do work at that spot, they've both been there a couple years. They both have other jobs that they do. They try to get that done in the middle of the day so that they can be back in their location before 3:30 when school is out. He loves kids. We make sure that they're safe every day. It's up to you guys if you want to keep them there longer hours, and if they'd be willing to do that.

Kyle added there has been discussion about why it's not a 20-mph zone. The city has no say in that. And the state's response is if there is a streetlight there with a crosswalk, they don't put a speed zone. That's state policy. So, it's going to be 40 miles an hour through there, no matter what, as long as there's a streetlight there crossing that crosswalk.

Councilman Hirschi talked to a dad of a schoolteacher they put cones out at 8 a.m. and pick them up at 4 p.m.

Kyle replied that those are the cones at the elementary school parking lot not the street.

Councilwoman Wise asked how many children are late to school and need the crossing guard. Is this just one kid?

Chief Nuccitelli replied that one of the things to consider is right now our crossing guards make \$17 or \$18 an hour. Within the last six months Hurricane City has been having a really difficult time just finding crossing guards to do the job. They increased all their wages to \$25 an hour just to have those people out there do that specific job. Right now, we do stagger the crossing guards. We have one that works at 500 North Main Street. She was trained this year, and she goes out there and she's there by 7:50 in the morning and sets up the cones, and then she leaves that location at 8:45. There are really no kids that will make it all the way from there down to the school that late. And then the other crossing guards, they do set up at 8 o'clock, and then they start cleaning up their cones about 4:00. The crossing guards, they talk and hang out, but they also keep an eye out for the kids. And in the three years that he has been a police chief here; he can't remember one incident where somebody's been injured. He would like to talk with Principal Young. He thought years ago they painted the curb red in front of the school. He thought as our environment around the school changes, and now we're limited with parking that used to be on Center Street and other areas, we might want to look into other options so it's closer to the school instead of on the other side of State Street, so that they can then cross the street with a crossing guard.

Kyle explained that years ago people were dropping their kids off there. He wouldn't recommend it because the possibility of cars getting rear ended. We know kids don't hustle to school they might get distracted. It's just going to happen. The parents think their kid's leave and there's plenty of time, but they get to throw rocks or goofing off.

Councilman Micah Gubler asked the Chief if it was possible to just extend the hours to 9:15 to try to just catch those late stragglers.

Chief Nuccitelli responded that it is the council's decision. He could ask the guards if they were able to stay longer. This year only one applicant filled out for temporary guard and once he contacted them and told them about the job they didn't want the job. This job has odd hours and especially having somebody stand up in the street for an hour or so in all weather.

Kyle asked if they extend to 9:15 what about kids that come later than that?

Councilman Micah Gubler had a family contact him and they said generally there were two or three kids that reach State Street after the crossing guards were gone about 9:10. There didn't seem to be anyone later than that. That's why he thought to extend to 9:15. He would hate it if it's a budget thing and have a little kid get hit on State Street and it's a fatality.

Meridee Johnson commented that the moms would be happier if it pushed, to the 9:10 not 9:15. That's the second bell. Kids are not considered late until the second bell rings. A lot of parents don't drop until the first bell. You're not considered late until the 9 o'clock bell rings. The first bell rings at 8:50, the second bell rings at 8:55. She thought parents are going to be happier if they follow the school policy. She advised the school doesn't want the kids there early. That extending until 9:10 would be better.

Kyle pointed out that there is a drop off zone on Main Street and that takes SR 9 out of the picture.

Councilwoman Wise thought this is getting a little more involved than the initial conversation. We're trying to make decisions about the behaviors of school kids and their parents. She wondered if maybe before we make any decision that chief could check with the principal and potentially the PTO and find out from those families who make the state street crossing what they think will be best, what timing, and if it means that we have to extend the hours of the guards, then we could make that decision. She would like to hear from the principal and PTO recommendations before they make a decision.

Councilman Blair Gubler commented that his wife was a crossing guard years ago. It is hard to find people to stand out in the cold and wind. He felt they needed to match the pay of the surrounding cities. He agreed with Councilwoman Wise that they should hear the principals and PTO's recommendations first. He had the PTO call him and told them he would talk to the chief and council.

Kyle agreed with councilman Blair Gubler that it's hard-to-find crossing guards. They have a weird schedule, and he is grateful for those that do the job.

Councilman Hirschi agreed they need to up the pay to get good people. It's a dangerous job with traffic and big trucks rushing by.

Councilman Micah Gubler added he thinks they have good people. If they need to up their pay, he agrees, and extends the hours.

Chief Nuccitelli agreed they have great people and support them if they agree to extend the hours. He will need to contact the crossing guards and ask if they are available to work another fifteen minutes.

Councilman Hirschi added there is nothing worse than losing a kid at the crosswalk and he agreed they needed to be paid more.

Councilman Micah Gubler commented that he started to watch the crosswalk and when his kids went there was one on each corner and now it seems like they are both on the same corner.

Chief Nuccitelli replied that sometimes they'll team up or if they're bored, they don't stand alone they kind of stand together and then they'll keep an eye on a child that comes from the other side.

Mayor Wilson explained if they are going to increase the hours and pay it is up to the council. They control the budget.

Kyle added they would have to look at the city pay scale and make sure they can change the pay or if they need to adjust the pay scale. And he would like to verify what Hurricane city is paying.

Mayor Wilson suggested we bring this back to the next meeting after getting information from the principal and the information about the pay scale.

PTO representative commented that they have had several meetings with the principal trying to come up with a solution.

Councilman Micah Gubler replied for them to email him their suggestions, and he can report on it the next meeting.

Mayor Wilson asked the PTO members to send him an email from the principal her recommendation and then they can do a budget resolution to increase their pay.

Mayor & Council Reports:

Mayor Wilson-Reported he needed to know who wanted to go to the conference what's up down south. Kyle added he needed to know by the 24th. It's on January 15th. They would be inviting members of the economic development committee. New council members would be invited also. Mayor Wilson thanked the candidates for attending the meetings.

Kyle Gubler- Reported that John Valenti took pictures at the cops and cars event and they will share that with the council. The short-term rental list is out. The water revenue people have changed a little bit. First, July, we collected 63% more revenue than we did before. August was 42%, September was 35%, so people are starting to make adjustments because their water rates are going up. With the credits that were just issued, in October you'll see a big decrease because we issued just under \$14,000 worth of water credits to specific users who were in Tier 4 and 5. But now, as of October 1st, we're back on the full rate. that credit will show up in first billing in November. The general plan as patty said anybody that wants to there's a paper here, they scan the QR code or come out the city office and fill out the paper they want.

Blair Gubler- Reported that the Solid waste met. There is a 2.5% increase across the board from the solid waste district. It happens every year.

Wise-. Reported on the planning commission. The Corridor Management Plan study for the Zion Scenic Byway, the National Zion Scenic Byway, was approved by all partners. So that includes Kane County, Springdale, Rockville, Virgin, La Verkin, Hurricane, and Washington County. So now it is moving forward to our representatives in the state legislature, and they should be able to get that through this year, and then it can go to the Federal Highway Administration for approval. The other thing that I have is last night we had an open house for the general plan update. We had a very light attendance. I want to compliment the three candidates. They were all there. They all engaged in conversation with everybody else, and so that in itself was very valuable. But we need more input. So when you leave, everybody in the audience, if you haven't done the survey, you would please just scan this QR code with your phone and please take the survey and council members please take the survey attorney please take the survey we need we need input this is our La Verkin.

Micah Gubler Reported cops and cars happened and 20 kids raced down the street. The American 250 car won the race. The police department also helped out with the Washington county sheriff's office for the trail hero, this month that was three nights and three days of supporting them and helping with that. The police are helping out with witch hazel next week. The recreation department announced the royalty and youth council tonight. November 1st, we begin to decorate and set up for winter fest the vendors are all sold out already so it's setting up for another good event. Merridee can use help again like you have in the past information booth you'll have a sign up at the next meeting.

Hirschi Reported that Nick reported on the fire district. Everything with the sewer district is still moving ahead with the new treatment plant.

Prince- Not in attendance.

Fay Reber- Nothing to report.

Citizen Comment & Request for Future Agenda Items:

Chief Nuccitelli commented that he appreciated Dereks street crew helping out with the storm and cops and cars. We had a confluence park that had a lot of flooding. We had some residences around our community that were flooding. Officers were out and about like that night, helping out where we could. Early in the morning, Derek grabbed the backhoe, Caige Steglich, and also Curren Stout came out with as much energy. And with all the flooding throughout the other cities, we weren't able to get other equipment that's sometimes available because they had to do their own cleanup. So I just wanted to say thank you to Derek and those guys. And thank you to- Chris Steglich, who came out and emceed. And I'm really appreciative that we have those kinds of people help us out, especially on short notice.

Christian Harrison suggested we post on the city webpage any public hearing information, so he doesn't have to email Nancy and get a copy.

F. Adjourn:

The mayor closed the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Date Approved

ATTEST: _____

Nancy Cline
City Recorder

Mayor Kelly B. Wilson

