

SPRING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, December 4, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

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

In Person Attendance: Yvonne Wright, Kat Caldwell, Phillip Wood, Ruth Bergener, Tom Brunner, Becky Brunner, Jane Hawkes, Lorene Clark, Michael Broadbent, Suzanne Broadbent, Robert Buckner, Kristen Mortensen, Kay Van Buren, Tennessee Stewart, Kimberly Stewart, Kent Kummer; Power Superintendent, Chad Huff; Chief of Police, Ruth Ann McCain; Recorder.

Zoom Attendance: Mike Tullis, Kim Crowley, Michael Nelson, Mike Black, Whit Allred, Craig Paulsen, Tim Syme, Laurel Workman, Cami Christensen, Lowell Brown, iPad 3, Your iPad

Pledge of Allegiance: Chris Anderson

Expression of Choice: Kent Kummer

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

Mayor and Council Member Department Reports

Council Member Randy Strate stated that he would like to discuss the road width issue concerning the Lindow's, stating that this is a valid concern for the city. The current annexation policy only states that roads need to align with the city roads. The city needs to put something in the subdivision ordinance to give guidance concerning road width. Council Member Strate suggested that language needs to be added to the annexation policy to revert to the subdivision code for roads. Council Member Courtney Syme asked what the county requirements for roads were. Council Member Strate stated that they just increased the road width for a minor subdivision from 40 feet to 66 feet. If a paved road is 24 feet with a ten-foot easement on either side that would be 44 feet, this is something to think about.

Council Member Marty McCain stated that the sewer project is projecting to be completed around April. The main contractor wanted to thank the community for their cooperation with the construction. Council Member McCain wanted to remind the community that the time frame to connect to the sewer is two years from when homeowners are able to connect. The last Planning and Zoning Commission meeting was shut down because of a TRO granted by a judge.

Council Member Ken Krogue stated that his information was on the agenda.

Council Member Courtney Syme reminded the community that trash containers and cars need to be off the road for the winter season. This helps with snow removal. The Fire Department asks those with wood burning stoves to make sure the chimney is clear of creosote to prevent fires.

Council Member Paul Penrod was not in attendance.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that there will be a small swearing in ceremony for the new elected officials on Monday January 5th. City Council will be held on January 8th instead of January 1st which is the New Year Holiday. Training for newly elected officials will be held this

Saturday with the Utah League of Cities and Towns. Mayor Anderson thanked Christi McGriff and all those who worked with her, saying that they did a great job on the City Christmas lighting ceremony and Christmas Village.

Public Comments

Phillip Wood stated that those who were mulching trees on Main Street were not wearing protective equipment. The city needs a budget for personal protection equipment for those who are working on the roads and with trees.

Ordinance 2025-08 Amending Title 7 Chapter 2 Tree Regulations

Ken Krogue expressed gratitude to Kent Kummer and Ruth Ann for getting city code and ordinance information to him. Looking at the information, the city does not have anything in place regarding utilities, trees and cutting the trees. Mount Pleasant has written a comprehensive ordinance that they are willing to share. The biggest concern are trees in the easements and how far the branches need to be away from the power lines. Nick Peterson from Deseret Tree Worx has been a help too. Council Member Krogue stated that he will hand over the information he has to whoever takes over in the new year.

Electric Department Tree Maintenance for System Security

Kent Kummer stated that Deseret Tree Worx has some homeowner guidelines concerning trees. Most of the trees on Main Street were planted years ago and are now encroaching on the powerlines. This is a concern for our Power Department.

Phillip Wood's Duplex Project Status

Phillip Wood stated that the duplex project is completed. There are only two units vacant, which shows that there is a demand in this area. Mr. Wood stated that the second thing he wanted to bring up is that he paid \$32,500 in impact fees and the city lost that money for almost 12 months. Mr. Wood provided a statement showing that the money was not held from his bank account but there was a failure to collect the money. He did make it right when he found out a year later, when his services were shut off and suspended. Mr. Wood stated that he did make a complaint against the individual, but he is unaware of anything happening with that and hopes the complaint will be addressed. A second complaint addressed the lack of support through the duration of the project. Every time a document, zone request, or a plot map was requested the individual responsible for providing that said it didn't exist, and Mr. Wood finally received the information from the mayor. Mr. Wood stated that he followed the city procedure and submitted the complaints, and he hopes the Council will do what needs to be done to prevent any re-occurrence.

CDBG Application

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that last month a public hearing was held to get input from the public for the Community Development Block Grant. There was a project proposed to improve our playground, and we are in the process of submitting the application. If the project is approved, we will need to come before the Council to approve taking the grant. If the city contributes some money toward the project more points are given towards being awarded the grant. R6 has told us not many people have turned in project applications and our chances are good. Those who want the playground have already raised \$8,000 or \$9,000. Mayor Anderson

stated that it may be good to offer \$1,000 of the money raised, to be the city's buy in and keep the rest in reserve for any extra expenses. Mike Black stated that the soft closing of this grant is December 15th, if we get the information together and submit it, we'll be fine. We are not committing to anything just entering the grant process. The plans for the playground bids were shown on the projector, they can be found in the handouts.

Council Member Marty McCain made a motion to approve putting in the application for the CDBG grant. **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	Absent

Bids for Playground Equipment

The bids were looked at, but it was determined to look over them further and just move forward with the grant application.

Christmas Bonus for City Employees

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that we have given a Christmas bonus to the city employees in the last couple of years. This is in the budget but with the unexpected litigation expenses it is being brought to the Council for approval.

Council Member Randy Strate made a motion to approve the employee Christmas bonuses, \$200 for full-time employees and \$150 for part-time employees. **The motion was seconded by Council Member Ken Krogue. Discussion:** There was no further discussion.

Vote:

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

Possible Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation and the Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual, Vote (2/3 Needed)

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that the next agenda item is a closed session to discuss pending litigation and to discuss the character and professional competence and health of individual(s).

Council Member Courtney Syme made a motion to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation and to discuss the character, professional competence and health of individuals. **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	Absent

The Council moved into the closed session at 7:45 PM.

The Council moved back into the City Council meeting at 9:01 PM.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that they were back from a closed session where pending litigation and the character, professional confidence, and mental health of individuals were discussed. Paul Penrod joined the closed session at 8:40 PM. Mayor Anderson asked for roll call to be taken.

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

Financial Report for November 2025

Council Member Randy Strate asked about the Judicial: Professional and Technical services \$4,500 that has been paid to date, and Administrative: Professional and Technical Services \$6,610.70 that has been paid to date, and the difference between the two. Ruth Ann McCain stated that the Judicial: Professional and Technical services is paid to Wes Mangum who is the City's prosecutor and 2 hours of legal service. This also included an extra \$1,000 to review the Referendum. The Administrative: Professional and Technical Services pays other legal fees. Council Member Strate clarified that \$5,095.70 of that was just paid for the first lawsuit because we have reached the \$25,000 insurance limit. Ms. McCain stated that Council Member Strate was correct. Council Member Strate stated that the lawsuit that is going before the Utah Supreme Court and the new lawsuit from Tony Rudman will be lumped together for one \$25,000 insurance limit. Council Member Strate would like the citizens to know that the first lawsuit we are now paying 100% and there is no basis for that lawsuit. Everything asserted has been stretched if not 100% fabricated. Council Member Strate stated that at some point this will need to be added into a budget line item. Caution needs to be taken because Mr. Broadbent is a plaintiff in the first lawsuit and his wife is a plaintiff in the suit before the Utah Supreme Court. Council Member Marty McCain stated that Mr. Broadbent would have a conflict of interest moving into a closed session where pending litigation would be discussed.

Council Member Randy Strate made a motion to approve the November financial statement. 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

Payment of Bills

Council Member made Ken Krogue a motion to approve the payment the bills The motion

was seconded by Council Member Marty McCain. Discussion: Council Member Randy Strate stated that there was a typo under Hydro Specialty Co. on page 4 instead of “bad year” it should read “badger”.

Vote:

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

Minutes for November 6, 2025 First CDBG Public Hearing

Council Member Courtney Syme made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 6th public hearing concerning CDBG. **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

Minutes for November 6, 2025 City Council Meeting

Council Member Ken Krogue made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 6th City Council meeting. **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 November 18, 2025 Special City Council Meeting to Canvass the 2025 Municipal Election

Ruth Ann McCain stated that the minutes have been amended to add Council Member Ken Krogue to the vote as absent and that Courtney Syme second the motion to move into a closed session.

Council Member Marty McCain made a motion to approve the minutes for November 18th as modified by RuthAnn. **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 the meeting and Council Member Ken Krogue seconded the motion.

Adjournment: 9:14 PM

APPROVED

