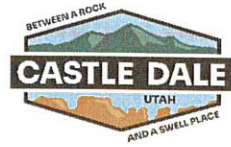


CASTLE DALE CITY

City Council Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2026



The City Council of Castle Dale, Emery County, Utah, met in an open meeting on June 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
20 S 100 E, Castle Dale, Utah

ATTENDEES

Mayor: Danny Van Wagoner

Council:

Glen Gerber
Michael Jorgensen- excused
Bradley Giles
Emily Mills
Joel Dorsch

Maintenance Supervisor: Ignacio Arrien

Fire Chief: Ignacio Arrien

Land Use Administrator: Kerry Lake

Code Enforcer-Animal Control : Dustin Carter

Treasurer: Rebecca Norton

Recorder: Siri Jensen

Others in attendance: Loraine Frandsen, Annika Magnuson, Stephanie Olsen, Elizabeth Carter, David Sebring

WELCOME

Mayor Danny Van Wagoner was presiding and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

All City council members were in attendance, except Michael Jorgensen, who was excused.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Council member Gerber motioned to approve the May Minutes; Council member Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

EMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER RUNNING: DAVID SEBRING

Sebring was excited that Castle Dale City is putting in the all-abilities park as he has seen the impact of similar parks in other areas of Utah. He presented a check as a donation towards the park from the Sebring family.

GIRLS STATE REPORTING: ANNIKA MAGNUSON

Magnuson stated that the weeklong opportunity of Girls State was an amazing experience where she met many other girls and listened to inspiring speakers, who changed her life. She expressed her gratitude towards the council for their support for her and the other two girls who attended. Magnuson also stated that she was most inspired by the people from small towns who told them about their lives and what they have gone through to get to where they are. While there she was able to participate in government simulations where she ran for public relations, city chair, and county delegate. Now that she has been to Girls State, she has a different respect and love for the flag, the United States, and those who serve our country and their families. She is proud to be an American and is willing to be part of youth city council.

Aaliyah King was excused from the meeting.

PARK NAME

The council was asked for ideas on what to name the all-abilities park that is currently being put in. Many names were discussed like: "Pool Park," "Valley View Park," "All-Abilities Park," and "Abilities Park." The council eventually settled on the name "Abilities Park."

Council member Giles motioned to name the new park the "Abilities Park." Council member Dorsch seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

OPEN 2026 BUDGETS - MAKE ADJUSTMENTS

Council member Giles motioned to open all 2026 budgets to make any necessary adjustments within and between those budgets by the end of July 2026. Council member Gerber seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Council member Giles motioned to open the public hearing to receive public comments on the 2027 fiscal year budget. Council member Mills seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

No comments were made.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Council member Dorsch motioned to close the public hearing. Council member Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

ADOPT CASTLE DALE CITY 2027 BUDGETS

Council member Giles motioned to adopt the 2027 budgets for Castle Dale City. Council member Mills seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

SET COUNTY TAX RATE

Siri Jensen presented to the council the proposed county tax rate of 0.000841, which will bring in a budgeted revenue of \$82,239.

Council member Dorsch motioned to approve the proposed county tax rate for Castle Dale at 0.000841. Council member Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

CASTLE DALE CITY PURCHASES OVER \$5,000

Ignacio Arrien presented the following items to be approved by the city council: new rubber for the parks, a utility vehicle for the parks, and a new tractor mower. The rubber for the parks will be the third installment of three years, will cost \$10,000 and will finish Cheddar field. The utility vehicle will replace the current vehicle from 2007 and will cost \$5,000. Finally, the new tractor mower will pull the leaf blower that the city currently uses and will cost \$5,000.

Council member Dorsch motioned to approve all purchases presented to the council. Council member Gerber seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

LAND USE COMMITTEE – KERRY LAKE

Kerry Lake stated that the land use committee had a request to change the business license for a convenience store in Castle Dale City and that request was granted. They also received a question about a daycare and nursery school being put in by Stewarts about whether it was possible due to the proximity of the liquor store. In looking into the state laws, it was found that infant daycare centers and nursery schools are not considered community locations, so the request was granted. There was a lot line adjustment in a subdivision next to the elementary school. The lot line was granted many years prior, but it needed to be redone for a family trust since the family trust would not accept the current lot line. It was officially recorded with the county office. A discussion was

also held about short-term vacation rentals that are in commercial and residential zones. Two separate ordinances were created but it was recommended that they be returned to one ordinance but with specific wording for each situation. Currently, in residential zones you are not allowed to have two short-term rentals within 300 feet of each other, but soon that may be changed to 500 feet. In commercial zones there is no restriction on how close or far the rentals are required to be. The question was asked of what would need to happen if a short-term rental was sold and did not adhere to the ordinance that requires the rentals to have at least 500 feet between them, once the ordinance is revised. It was stated that the rental would need to be relicensed and reevaluated, but it is not allowed to take away something that was previously allowed. Each short-term rental also must have enough off-street parking for each bedroom, which is reinforced when the committee receives complaints.

ANIMAL CONTROL/CODE ENFORCEMENT – DUSTIN CARTER

From May 15th to June 11th Carter responded to twelve service calls. He trapped five feral cats along with one kitten and they were all taken to the pound. One citation was given for two dogs at large and public nuisance, which came less than a week after the first warning. Four dogs were impounded and six warnings were issued, both written and verbal, for dogs off leash, at large, chasing vehicles, and unlicensed. One resident paid the fees to become in compliance with the city. There were four escaped cows at Emery Animal Health and one escaped cow at the fairgrounds for the kid's rodeo. All cows were found and safely returned.

For code enforcement, five door notices were given for beautification regarding the garbage can ordinance and watering at the wrong time. All of those were first warnings. Also, received a complaint about a resident watering more than twice a week, which is being investigated. In the last month he made it a point to do more patrols by Cheddar Field and the BMX track. A warning was given to a young man who was riding an e-bike in the middle of the street, with traffic and no helmet.

MAINTENANCE – IGNACIO ARRIEN

Arrien stated that the maintenance crew is always busy and that they have started work on the new abilities park.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – IGNACIO ARRIEN

Arrien stated that there were two brush fires last month, with another close call that could have been an electrical fire.

TREASURER REPORT

The treasurer reported that the sales tax for 2025 was \$29,296.83 and for 2026 it was \$39,836.24, which increased by \$10,539.41. The transportation tax for 2025 was \$2,436.60 and increased by \$1,089.34 in 2026 to have a total of \$3,525.94 for the year.

RECORDER REPORT

The recorder stated that business license renewal notices have been sent out and multiple businesses have already renewed their license for the coming year or have let the city know they are no longer in business. She has also been working with the business owners to ensure that they are registered with the state.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Glen Gerber – Gerber stated that he was very impressed with the city celebration and thanked council member Dorsch for his efforts in organizing it all.

Michael Jorgensen – Jorgensen was excused from the meeting.

Brad Giles – Giles stated that there needs to be more information given to the city and the citizens regarding the work being done on the water lines and water shut offs. He also stated that the trailer park has a new value with a meter, but it is not functional yet.

Emily Mills – Mills stated that she has not received as many complaints about the arena since getting the key cards. The arena is busy in July, especially in the outdoor arena. The stock show will begin preparations on July 5th and will officially begin July 6th.

Joel Dorsch – Dorsch stated that he did not have anything else to share with the council.

Mayor Danny Van Wagoner – Mayor Van Wagoner stated he received a phone call from UDOT that they are wanting to get rid of the charging station and possibly sell it to Castle Dale City. He will receive more information on the revenue and charges and will present those numbers to the council next month. He also updated the council on the groundbreaking event for the abilities park and that the county has already begun the dirt work for the park. Senator Curtis' office received an update on the park and will receive an invitation for the ribbon cutting event. The city has also been on Channel 2 news for the Abilities park. Pictures were also shown of the groundbreaking event, as well as the work the county as already done. Finally, at the beginning of the month, he was sworn into the Community Impact Board (CIB).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The executive session was not needed.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR SIGNATURES

Council member Giles motioned to pay the bills; Council member Gerber seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Gerber motioned to adjourn the meeting; Council member Mills seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Yes: Glen Gerber, Bradley Giles, Emily Mills, Joel Dorsch

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm
06/11/2026

Approved 07/09/2026



