



**MINUTES FOR THE WORK/STUDY MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SPRINGVILLE, UTAH
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 110 SOUTH MAIN STREET
SEPTEMBER 08, 2015 – 5:15 PM**

The following are the minutes of the Work/Study Meeting of the Springville City Council. The meeting was held on **Tuesday, September 08, 2015 at 5:15 p.m.** in the Springville City Civic Center Multipurpose Room, 110 South Main Street, Springville, Utah. Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by law, was posted in the Civic Center and on the City's website, and delivered to members of the Council, media, and interested citizens.

Mayor Wilford W. Clyde presided. In addition to Mayor Clyde, the following were present: Councilmember Richard Child, Councilmember Craig Conover, Councilmember Christopher Creer, Councilmember Dean Olsen, Councilmember Chris Sorensen, City Administrator Troy Fitzgerald, Assistant City Administrator/City Attorney John Penrod, Administrative Services Manager Rod Oldroyd and Deputy City Recorder Jennifer Grigg. Also present were: Community Development Director Fred Aegerter, Water Superintendent Shaun Barker, Public Safety Director Scott Finlayson, Power Director Leon Fredrickson, Recreation Director Corey Merideth, Golf Pro Craig Norman, Buildings and Grounds Director Alex Roylance, Public Works Director Brad Stapley, Museum of Art Director Dr. Rita Wright and Library Director Pamela Vaughn.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clyde opened the meeting at 5:21 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. Calendar

- September 11 – Patriot Day
- September 15 – Work/Study Meeting 5:15 p.m., City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- September 16-18 – ULCT Fall Conference, Salt Lake City
- September 18 – Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
- September 19 – Heritage Days (You put the Art in Art City)
- October 06 – Work/Study Meeting 5:15 p.m., City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

2. Discussions/Presentations

a) Mayor Clyde asked for an update from Director Merideth on Heritage Days

Director Merideth reported booths and hands-on activities are set; candy purchased. There is a slideshow at the library and Museum Director Wright will give a presentation on the history of the Springville Art Museum on September 17th at the museum. On a side note, Director Wright reported that former Museum Director, Vern Swanson, has been nominated to the Utah Division of Arts & Museums Search Committee to replace the State Director of Utah Division of Arts & Museums.

b) Update on Golf Course Projects – Craig Norman, Golf Pro

Mr. Norman presented an update on the Hobble Creek Golf Course. Asphalt and concrete improvements on several cart paths are in the works with in-kind donations, volunteers and re-use of sod, keeping costs down. Auctioning old golf tee signs will pay for replacement of new golf tee signs with space for sponsorship or advertising.

Mayor Clyde requested yardage markers to be unified and accurate.

Mr. Norman continued his report by describing Youth on Course as a foundation encouraging youth to play golf that will reimburse the course for discount fees when registered youth play. Council agreed Hobble Creek Golf Course should participate.

He concluded his report stating the restaurant has spotty service, but a good cook.

c) Discussion of providing Culinary Water to new Hobble Creek Canyon Residents – Brad Stapley, Public Works Director

Director Stapley provided for discussion the question, “How many people can we serve in Hobble Creek Canyon?” He received a call from a home owner above Hobble Creek Haven, who has a \$1,000,000 car collection, asking if he can connect into the penstock.

Director Stapley continued Bartholomew Canyon supplies water to the city. There are two tanks at the top of 400 South with pumps that can pump up to the Rotary Tank. There are 157 water users above the Rotary tank, not including city parks and not including Upper Whitmore Property Owners. Hobble Creek Canyon private property owners use an average of 25,000,000 gallons per year with one private property owner using 291,267 gallons in one month this summer.

Director Stapley added, as per the *40-year Plan* which is required by the state, there is a limit of 200 ERU’s (Equivalent Residential Units hooked up to city water) in the canyon. 157 exist today with 11 vacant lots in Hobble Creek Haven.

Mayor Clyde asked how many ERU’s are allowed by the zoning in left hand fork.

Administrator Fitzgerald answered, 5 acre lots were rezoned to 1 acre lots by a past City Council and the County, which means there will be many more residents (ERU’s). ERU’s are hard to predict because zoning can be changed by future elected officials.

Director Stapley pointed out that not all ERU's are average consumers and asked should the City continue to provide culinary water to new Canyon users. Each new connection must be approved by the City Council. County zoning changes can overwhelm the water supply. A tiered water rate could curb excessive use.

Councilman Sorensen asked if Canyon developers tender water.

Assistant Administrator Penrod answered yes, the City requires tendering of water rights on a case by case basis. The problem is capacity is limited in our system.

Councilman Child commented all water rights already allocated.

Administrator Fitzgerald pointed out City ordinances don't apply up the canyon because most of it is unincorporated/county land. Council approves each connection. City Council and staff can create policies and ordinances directing staff when a water connection is requested from a Canyon resident.

Councilman Sorensen reminded tendering water rights is required at a minimum which Administrator Fitzgerald said are very hard to get especially above the diversion.

Director Stapley ask if the Council would like to implement a modified tiered rate to discourage over use or an ordinance change.

Administrator Fitzgerald said we have an expired policy on water connecting up the canyon. Staff can prepare a proposal for new water policy up the canyon.

Mayor Clyde asked if secondary water can come from the creek. He stated culinary water should be used in the city, not by non-residents. Creek water would be better for pasture watering. Can they buy water from the creek and not our system for pasture watering before it is in our pipes. Creek water is the best water in our city.

Administrator Fitzgerald said the irrigation company and the state regulate use of canyon creek water. City is utilizing most of its water up the canyon.

Director Stapley said the State over appropriates water up the canyon and might re-appropriate water rights to help canyon residents.

Mayor Clyde stated the water in the creek flows into town to the diversion. Springville City owns half the irrigation company. He asked if we can appropriate some of those rights to canyon property owners.

Councilman Child and Administrator Fitzgerald listed types of water shares as mountain, valley, State, high water, low water, canyon shares and valley shares.

Mayor Clyde asked about drilling a culinary well without water rights.

Councilman Child answered the State owns all the water in the state. We only own the right to use water.

Councilman Sorensen added Palmyra and Lakeshore residents are looking for water rights all the time.

Mayor Clyde hypothesized the answer to the non-resident canyon property owners might be drill your own well and purchase your own water rights.

Administrator Fitzgerald researched and found that a home owner can drill a 30 foot well legally without a contractor. He stated there is already a tiered use rate in place for canyon culinary water users.

Director Stapley concluded by asking Council to contemplate new water users up the canyon for the future plans.

Administrator Fitzgerald suggested an ERU analysis; comparing use up the canyon and in the City.

Mayor Clyde stated the price might need to be increased. A previous Council changed the rate.

Councilman Conover asked how many extreme users are there.

Councilman Olsen asked if there is extreme use because money is not an issue.

Director Stapley answered only about 10 users are extreme. Culinary water at build out will be at its limit. The problem is with current policy there is a potential for any canyon culinary water user to be an extreme culinary water user. Pasture watering using culinary water is expensive, but if they are willing to pay for it or the system will be overloaded.

Mayor Clyde recommended Director Stapley prepare some options and present them to the Council in the future.

d) Update on progress of Secondary Water System – Shaun Barker, Water Superintendent

Shawn Barker, Water Superintendent presented a Pressurized Irrigation Update and reminded the Council the Burt Spring/Bartholomew Pond is a main component of the Pressurized Irrigation System. The infrastructure started 20 years ago and has been sitting waiting for this final project to be completed. Residents have been notified of the new pipeline and possible digging in their yards. Service connection will have a locking curb stop valve with Schedule 80 pipe for strength. There is a 2 man PI crew with a goal of having the Pressurized Irrigation System functioning by Spring of 2016.

Installing 1600 meters will be a construction project to put out to bid. The budget only covered 1112 residential users. A Pressurized Irrigation Code needs to be prepared and fees discussed. The Water Board prefers avoiding treatment of surface water.

Councilman Conover asked if the recommended fees are a forced fee.

Administrator Fitzgerald clarified that the fee was passed in this year's budget but only for new customers after April 2016. A discussion is needed on whether we charge current customers for the new meter.

Superintendent Barker continued by detailing some challenges like easements, backflow, missing pipe and unknown meter and service lateral locations as well as breaks in the system. Backflow is a serious health risk because it contaminates culinary water. Backflow prevention equipment is required and cross connections are being found and cut by City staff.

Director Stapley reported a recent incident where PI water was connected to Culinary.

Superintendent Barker answered that mapping and sampling as a staff is necessary to prevent cross connections.

Director Roylance asked if backflow equipment is required if there is no physical connection between the two water systems. Superintendent Barker answered, current code doesn't require it.

Administrator Fitzgerald added Council needs to establish policy to prevent residents cross connecting on their own. Would a resident pay for the disconnect and connection when they only save \$5 per month. They might be tempted to DIY. How do we cover the costs of connecting within City Easement? Staff needs input from Council to establish policy and code.

Councilman Child confirmed a lock would prevent DIY cross connection.

Administrator Fitzgerald noted decisions on PI policy need to be finalized this winter.

Director Stapley reiterated there isn't enough water from wells or future wells to be drilled to provide culinary at buildout without the west fields neighborhoods connecting to the PI system. If they don't we need to treat surface water at twice the cost.

Mayor Clyde reminded it is a requirement and the City would pay for the hookup.

Councilman Conover agreed with Administrator Fitzgerald, the general public won't be inclined to pay for their hook up.

Chief Finlayson stated his son pays double water rates until he hooks up to the secondary system.

Karen Ifediba stated the Mapleton secondary water system was free throughout Mapleton at first. The west side of Mapleton also received secondary water. Even after the meters were installed the water was free. 2015 is the first year secondary water has a charge and the citizens of Mapleton were in shock.

3. MAYOR, COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Director Vaughn stated Fall Library program started this week.

Director Merideth said fall sports are using Art City Elementary for football fields.

Administrator Fitzgerald stated Nebo School District continues its policy eliminating 6th grade sports from their fields. Steve Maughn approved moving the backstop.

Director Roylance introduced Ed Platt, new Facilities Superintendent. Bartholomew Park final bash will be October 10, 2015. Gates for winter to keep vehicles out of the park for the winter are still a priority. Ice on the pond will be dangerous.

Chief Finlayson reported Bartholomew Family Park neighbors are calling dispatch and reporting on Park noise at night.

Councilman Conover stated citizens want to walk the trails in winter.

Councilman Child agreed the Park needs gates.

Power Director Frederickson announced Power Week this month will have demonstrations, concessions and elementary school visits.

Administrator Fitzgerald noted two purchase inquiries for the Rivoli Building.

4. CLOSED SESSION, IF NEEDED- TO BE ANNOUNCED IN MOTION

The Springville City Council may temporarily recess this meeting and convene in a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as provided by Utah State Code Annotated §52-4-205

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER CONOVER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 6:40 P.M. COUNCILMEMBER CLYDE SECONDED THE MOTION, AND ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE.