

Utility Departments of Hildale/Colorado City

Utility Board Meeting Minutes
320 East Newel Ave, Hildale Utah
Tuesday, July 28, 2015

Present: Utility Board

Board Members:	Present	Absent	Excused
Jacob Jessop	X		
Brian Jessop	X		
Craig Roundy	X		
Sterling Jessop Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Heber L. Barlow	X		
Berklee Holm Sr.	X		
Moroni Johnson	X		
Patrick Johnson	X		

Staff Present: Michelle L. Chatwin, LaVern Fischer, Justin Barlow, Joseph Jessop, Raymond Barlow, Mayor Philip Barlow, Weston Barlow, Victor Jessop (telephonic), & Richard J. Barlow.

Public Present: Daniel Fischer, Margaret Fischer, Perry Holm, & Terrence Joseph Cooke

#1 Call to Order: 6:06 A.M.

Jacob Jessop called the meeting to order.

#2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Berklee Holm moved to accept the Minutes of the June 30, 2015 meeting with a few minor changes.

Ralph Johnson seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Jacob Jessop	X		
Brian Jessop	X		
Craig Roundy	X		
Sterling Jessop Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Heber L. Barlow			X
Berklee Holm Sr.	X		
Moroni Johnson	X		
Patrick Johnson	X		

Motion carried.

#3 Public Comment

No public comment.

#4 Waiver Requests

None.

#5 Reports:

Business Manager's Report: Justin Barlow gave the report. There was a surge of new water connections in an attempt to have the applications in before the impact fee went into effect. He has been working with Sunrise Engineering on a grant from Rural Development for infrastructure improvements. He has been spending a lot of time with the Washington County School trying to get the gas service they have requested figured out. Sunrise has been working on the general plan update. Richard Holm contacted Paul Glasgow, the general planner, wanting to abandon the subdivision he had previously been working on.

Water Department Superintendent's Report: Victor Jessop was telephonic and did not give an oral report.

Wastewater Department Superintendent's Report: Victor Jessop gave the report. There was a turnover in the pond that seemed to have been attributed to some kind of a chemical dumping into the system. A question was raised by Moroni Johnson as to if the heavy rains had contributed to the problem. Victor Jessop responded that heavy rain generally has a positive effect.

Gas Department Superintendent's Report: Joseph Jessop gave the report. The Arizona audit is complete. A lot of time has been spent on modeling. A gas line was hit at the Water Canyon School. While the gas was off, a needed meter was installed. A booklet of maps was presented concerning the gas connection needed at the Washington County School. A large mainline will need to be run in order to service the connection. They were contacted regarding the possibility of paying for that mainline. Their comment was that most utility companies would take care of that part of the bill in order to have them as a customer. They would be a valuable customer, but as things currently are, we cannot service them and maintain the mandated pressures. There was some discussion concerning what would be needed in order to meet the demands that would be created by this addition. It would cost about \$75,000 to make the upgrade. The pipe is on hand. The main cost would be labor. Stan Demille is looking into a grant. Justin suggested seriously considering how we can have them as a customer. The upgrade is not only going to benefit them. It will help the overall system. Some of these improvements need to be done anyway. Jacob Jessop wondered if the school board would be willing to finance it and let us give them a credit of their usage to pay it back. Justin Barlow commented that it had already been mentioned. Jacob Jessop suggested going back to them to see if they would be willing to help with some of the cost, look into grants, and etc.

Office Manager Financial Report: Richard J. Barlow gave the report. A financial statement was presented. Richard J. Barlow went over the financial reports.

#6 Ethan Fischer Application

Justin explained what had been going on with the application at 525 East Johnson Avenue. He went over the series of events that had lead up to Ethan Fischer’s request to have an exemption from the impact fee. Daniel Fischer spoke in behalf of Ethan Fischer who was unable to attend. He stated that they were not local when the notifications were publically posted. He is anxious to get this connection so he can help his mother. He has the amount available today if he can have an exemption from the impact fee. Berklee Holm asked if due diligence had been followed as far as notifying the public of the impact fee. Moroni Johnson mentioned that he believed we did more than due diligence by attempting to contact them on the last date. Jacob Jessop gave an overview of why the impact fee was put into place, and then stated that he didn’t feel to give an exemption.

**Moroni Johnson moved to not waive the impact fee for Ethan Fischer.
Berklee Holm seconded. Roll call vote:**

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Jacob Jessop	X		
Brian Jessop	X		
Craig Roundy	X		
Sterling Jessop Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Heber L. Barlow			X
Berklee Holm Sr.	X		
Moroni Johnson	X		
Patrick Johnson	X		

Motion carried.

#7 Pay Bills

Brian Jessop moved to pay due claims as they come due and funds become available.

Sterling Jessop seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Jacob Jessop	X		
Brian Jessop	X		
Craig Roundy	X		
Sterling Jessop Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Heber L. Barlow			X
Berklee Holm Sr.	X		
Moroni Johnson	X		
Patrick Johnson	X		

Motion carried.

#8 Large Purchases

None.

#9 Closed Executive Session

Jacob Jessop moved to go into executive session to discuss legal action and land issues.

Patrick Johnson seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Jacob Jessop	X		
Brian Jessop	X		
Craig Roundy	X		
Sterling Jessop Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Heber L. Barlow			X
Berklee Holm Sr.	X		
Moroni Johnson	X		
Patrick Johnson	X		

Motion carried.

Board went into executive session at 7:30 A.M.

Board returned to regular session at 8:20 A.M.

#10 Discussion of Pending or Contemplated Litigation, Claims, and Demands

None.

#11 Other Business

The fall conference is coming up at the Utah League of Cities and Towns. It has been budgeted for one person to attend from utilities. Justin recommended someone attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 A.M.

Summary of Board Actions:

Approve the Minutes of June 30, 2015 Meeting

Not Waive the Impact Fee for Ethan Fischer

Pay the Due Claims as They Become Due and Funds Become Available

Go into Executive Session

I verify that a copy of the notice and agenda was delivered to the Mayor and Utility Board members and posted at the City Hall, 320 E. Newel Avenue, Hildale, Utah and sent to the Utah State Public Meeting Notice coordinator.

Minutes were approved at the Utility Board Meeting on _____.

Raymond C. Barlow, City Recorder