## Hyde Park City Council Meeting 113 East Center Street Hyde Park, Utah

March 8, 2017

The Hyde Park City Council meeting of March 8, 2017 began at 7:00 pm and was conducted by Mayor Bob Christensen.

**City Officials Present**: Mayor Bob Christensen, Council members; Brad Robinson, Bret Randall, Sharidean Flint and Charles Wheeler. Planning and Zoning member; Mark Lynne, Police Chief; Kim Hawkes, and City Recorder; Donja Wright. Mark Hurd attended late.

**Others Present**: Alan Balls, Connor Balls, Mike Grunig, David Zook, Andrea Thompson, Jeremy Jensen

Prayer or Thought: Council Member Robinson

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Christensen

**Adoption of Agenda:** Council member Flint moved that the Hyde Park City Council approve the agenda as amended for the March 8, 2017 City Council meeting. Council member Wheeler seconded the motion. Council members Robinson, Flint, Randall and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 4/0.

Citizen Input: Connor Balls approached the Council and requested a change to the amount of dogs allowed in Hyde Park City. He informed the Council that according to Hyde Park's requirements you need at least an acre of land in order to apply for a kennel permit. Smithfield City requires a kennel permit after 2 dogs and then allows up to 5 dogs with the permit. The Council discussed that the noise, smell, etc. are covered under the nuisance ordinance. The Council recommended that this be sent to P&Z to review and consider changes to the dog policy. Alan Balls approached the Council and added that he feels that it is bit excessive to require an acre to get a kennel permit. He also recommended that the Council consider looking into a dog park. One possibility is by the tennis courts.

Family Place Presentation and Child Abuse Awareness Resolution – David Zook approached the Council and informed them that he serves on the board for the Family Place and was presenting to the Council on their behalf. April is national child abuse prevention month. The Family Place is requesting that the Council consider adopting a resolution in support of child abuse awareness. Mr. Zook gave an update on the growth of the Family Place. In the last couple of years they have expanded to Hyrum and will be completing a facility in Smithfield. He informed the Council that the number of substantiated cases of child abuse in Cache County last year was 451. The most common type of child abuse was sexual abuse and 40% of the victims were under 5 years old. The

services offered by the Family place are: 1) Education for children and adults. 2) Shelter's for Children. 3) Counseling for parents and children. The Family Place relies on donations and grants. They serve about 10,000 children and adults per year and the majority attended the educational offerings. Mr. Zook challenged the City to fill a table at a charity dinner. The cost is \$500.00 for a table for 10. Council member Flint made a motion to approve the 2017 Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation. Council member Randall Seconded the Motion. Council members Robinson, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 4/0.

Consider Resolution 2017-02 – A Municipal Wastewater Planning Program Resolution – Mike Grunig, public works director, approached the Council and informed them that the Division of Wastewater Quality requires an annual report. Mr. Grunig informed the Council that the sewer system in Hyde Park is in great shape and works very well. Council member Randall made a motion to approve Resolution 2017 -02 – A State of Utah Municipal Wastewater Planning Program Self-Assessment Report. Council member Robinson seconded the motion. Council members Robinson, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 4/0.

Consider a Bridge on 100 north over the canal – Mike Grunig, Public works director, approached the Council and informed them that a water line will be going in along 100 north, making it an ideal time to install the bridge on 300 east over the canal with curb, gutter, and sidewalk. Council member Flint asked if the City needs the bridge. The Council discussed that the bridge has been on the master plan for many years. Council member Randall informed the Council that this would create an alternative passage to divert around Center Street in an emergency situation. The Council discussed traffic on the road and that it will not be a major corridor, it will make it easier to maintain and safer for children getting to school. Council member Robinson discussed sidewalk accesses and gaps throughout the City. He suggested the Council take a look at the priorities of sidewalks throughout the City. Council member Wheeler showed the Council a copy of the sidewalk plan from Sunrise engineering showing a list of sidewalks and the priorities. Some of the priorities have changed due to the change of schools. Chief Hawkes informed the Council that he and Mark Hurd will be going out tomorrow (March 9<sup>th</sup>) afternoon to look at safe routes to school for the new grade school. The school district has a website that will help identify a safe walking route. The Council discussed the yield signs on 100 north and that they may need to be changed to stop signs if the traffic increases on that road. The Council discussed that the residents living by the bridge on 100 north were informed about the future bridge when they built their houses so it should not be a surprise to any of them. Jeremy Jensen approached the Council and informed them that he was aware that the bridge would be installed at some point but he is concerned that the road may create a hazard due to the slope of the road. Council member Robinson made a motion to move forward with the bridge on 100 north with funds coming from the Streets, Storm Water, and Water funds. Council member Randall seconded the motion. Council member Robinson, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 4/0.

Discuss Regional Wastewater treatment rate committee resolution – Council member Randall informed the Council and the citizens that the EPA ruled Logan City as being non-compliant and is requiring Logan City to shut down their current waste water facility. Hyde Park City entered into an agreement with Logan City to treat the City's wastewater. The Sewer rate Committee hired a group to determine the rate that would be required to pay for the new facility. The new system will be a BioMag system where they take a metal and mix it with the solid waste dissolving the waste much faster and creating a faster process. The cost of the facility will be 119 million dollars.

The current rate for Hyde Park City sewer usage is \$35.00 per month. Logan City wants to collect money for 5 years before the bonds become due. Logan City will start collecting money on July 1 2017. The Cities came up with 2 different ways of increasing the sewer rates: 1) Do a 35% increase on July 1 2017 with no more increases. At the end of the 5 years, do a study to determine the final rate. 2) Implement yearly increases of 10% for 5 years. That would amount to a 62% increase for a total rate of \$56.35. Council member Randall informed the Council that he thinks a 35% increase would be much more palatable to the citizens. If there was a 10% increase every year, the Council would need to explain to the public why every year. Council member Randall recommended changing the rate from \$35 per month to \$50. The first year, the City would have a cash reserve of 11.50 that would go into the sewer fund. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year the cash reserve would be \$7.65. The 3<sup>rd</sup> year the reserve would go to \$3.42. In the year 2020 the reserve fund would begin to go into a deficit of -\$1.00 and in the final year the deficit would be -\$6.35. At the end of that time, the rate committee would determine the final price and come up with the final numbers. Council member Randall informed the Council that the water rates have tiers and he proposed that the City create a tiered level for sewer use based on water use so that low use residents are not impacted as harshly. The Council was in favor of presenting option one, a July 1st rate increase to \$50.00. The Council requested a public hearing be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> with possible approval of the rate increase at the time.

Council member Randall informed the Council that he will be leaving for 3 months but will be able to call in for the public hearing.

**Discuss Hammerheads** – Council member Robinson informed the Council that he has done some more research on hammerheads. He explained that properties that are subdivided need a turnaround for emergency vehicles. They can be a Cul-de-sac, Y or T type turnaround. Council member Robinson's informed the Council that in his backyard the turnaround is located in his neighbor's driveway. Cars are frequently parked in the driveway making it impossible to be a turnaround. He asked the Council how the City addresses the use of the easement. In a development, when the next property owner goes to develop, it would be nice to have connectivity. Council member Robinson informed the Council that in the minor subdivision Ordinance, the cul-de-sac is not an option. He would like to ask Planning and Zoning to look at 2 items; 1) Hammerheads and 2) address a cul-de-sac access to the minor subdivisions and define that. Council member Randall informed the Council that if hammerheads remain in the ordinance then they need to be monitored. The Council recommended sending out a notice from the City if residents are in violation of easement for hammerheads. Council member Wheeler

informed the Council that one viable option is to allow a hammerhead if the road is going to go through eventually, they can work with their neighbors to create the turnaround and the head part can be abandoned someday. Mark Lynne informed the Council that Cul-desacs in minor subdivision can create issues for developing the rest of the town. The Council discussed allowing cul-de-sacs in landlocked areas or areas that preclude it from having a road that goes through. Council member Randall suggested that P&Z also look at circumstances in which a 50ft ROW in a minor subdivision may make sense.

## **Departments:**

Parks: Council member Wheeler informed the Council that he had a meeting with the 3 Cities involved in the park exchange; Cache, North Logan & Nibley, and a representative from the RAPZ tax committee. The RAPZ tax committee agreed to commit to a 50% match every year until the parks are completed. He showed the Council the agreement between the Cities and the RAPZ tax committee. This year's allocation will be \$20,000, next year's will be \$215,000. The agreement (included) shows the allocations for the remaining years. The City is required to match monies. Council member Wheeler informed the Council that some of the match could come from the sale of a lot in the Park Meadows subdivision. He recommended that the City begin to budget for at least the first 3 matches. Cameron Jensen, County Accountant, and Craig Buttars entered into the agreement. According to the exchange agreement, as properties are sold by the ice arena, Hyde Park City will be reimbursed and that money may be used to help with the match.

The Council talked about options for a dog park and Council member Wheeler suggested across the street from the new park in Park Meadows, south of the retention ponds.

**Trails**: Council member Wheeler informed the Council that he had a conversation with Sara Krebs. The City owns an easement on the south side of their large parcel, the very south end of Lion's Park. The Krebs would like to see the trail completed. He informed the Council that this would help with building a trail to the canal. The group of volunteers coming to help in April or May could help the City build a gravel or single track trail along the fence by the Champlins to the canal. Council member Wheeler suggested that the trails crew could help in creating a design so that the trail is in before the development goes in. Council member Flint informed the Council that Cory Craig wrote a letter indicating that he would allow an easement on the north side of his place for a trail. Council member Flint will arrange a meeting with the trails committee.

Council member Wheeler informed the Council that he received notice from Heather Ashcroft that she would like to see a sidewalk built along 200 west.

**P&Z Update**: Council member Robinson gave a brief update of a discussion on the Planning and Zoning Commission's (P&Z) meeting. P&Z discussed Rivermill Cabinets and their parking, Juniper Hollow's sketch plan and the impact to an existing trail. Council member Robinson informed the Council that a road will be going in over an existing trail, does the City do anything about that. The Council discussed that they currently have no remedy as the City does not have a master trail plan. Council member

Robinson informed the Council that the City will receive 6 bonus density lots from mountain gate that may be used in helping to pay for additional property for the new park. P&Z is sending the revised Open Space ordinance to City Council for a Public Hearing and P&Z also continued their discussion on secondary water.

**Admin**: The Mayor informed Donja that a resident requested a list of the City Council members and their responsibilities be posted in the City Newsletter.

**Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation:** Council member Randall made a motion to move to a closed session to discuss updates on pending litigation. Council member Robinson seconded the motion. Council member Robinson, Hurd, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

Adjourn:	10:30	
		Donja Wright – City Recorder

Council member Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes from March 8, 2017 as presented. Council member Flint seconded the motion. Council members Robinson, Hurd, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 4/0.