

Springville City Council Work/Study Meeting - DECEMBER 11, 2018

MINUTES OF THE WORK/STUDY MEETING OF THE SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE CIVIC CENTER, 110 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SPRINGVILLE, UTAH.

Mayor Richard J. Child presided. In addition to Mayor Child, the following were present: Councilmember Jason Miller, Councilmember Michael Snelson, City Administrator Troy Fitzgerald, Assistant City Administrator/City Attorney John Penrod, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Bruce Riddle and Deputy City Recorder Jennifer Grigg.

Also present were: Public Safety Director Scott Finlayson, Power Director Leon Fredrickson, Public Works Director Brad Stapley, Building and Grounds Director Brad Neel, Community Development Director Glen Goins, Library Director Dan Mickelson, Operations Manager Rod Oldroyd, Recreation Director Corey Meredith, Golf Pro Craig Norman, and Museum of Art Director Rita Wright.

Excused: Councilmember Brett Nelson, Councilmember Christopher Creer, Councilmember Craig Jensen

CALL TO ORDER- 5:30 P.M.**COUNCIL BUSINESS****1. Calendar**

- Dec 18 - Work/Study Meeting 5:30 p.m., City Council meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Dec 25 - Christmas Holiday Observed (City Offices Closed)
- Jan 1 - New Year's Day Holiday Observed (City Offices Closed) NO COUNCIL MEETING
- Jan 8 - Work/Study Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- Jan 15 - Work/Study Meeting 5:30 p.m., City Council meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Jan 21 - Martin Luther King Day Observed (City Offices Closed)

2. MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**a) Discussion with Department Directors**

Director Riddle reported staff is wrapping up the audit. Treasurer Doris Weight is retiring and her replacement has been hired, starting on January 7, 2019. Doris will graciously stay to train her replacement that week. The oath of office can be administered at the January 8, 2019 council meeting. Doris' retirement ceremony will be January 15, 2019.

Director Goins announced Jersey Mike's will open tomorrow. Their business license was delayed, but completed.

Director Mickelson reported the library has four weddings renting the upstairs in December as well as other holiday parties. Councilmember Miller asked how much revenue is collected. Director Mickelson estimated about \$700 per wedding. Mayor Child checked on attendance for the Employee Christmas Party.

Director Wright added the Museum has several rentals this month. Santa's Workshop is tomorrow night from 5-7 pm. Mayor Child added the parking is full lately. Director Wright said the \$100 Show went well.

Director Neel said Tiffany Halverson is doing great as a new Grounds Superintendent and her vacated position will be changed to a full-time City Sexton. Our cemeteries are a priority and the

sextons will make sure our standards are being met. Christmas lights are going well. There was a struggle the first week because of rain causing shorting out. Councilmember Snelson commented there are more than several compliments on the Christmas lights from residents. Director Neel expressed appreciation for his staff and their hard work.

Chief Finlayson stated his staff is working hard to fill vacancies. Four officers are starting the academy in January. Reed Esklund announced his retirement after 33 years. Councilmember Snelson asked about ride-alongs. Chief Finlayson stated council is always welcome.

Director Meredith said his staff is gearing up for basketball season. The southern Utah County cities are starting earlier this year to finish by February before President's Day weekend. Mayor Child asked about the gym space. Director Meredith stated every Nebo gym is used, none at the Clyde Recreation Center.

Mr. Norman reported the golf course is put to bed for the winter. Staff is on hand to sell gift certificates; sales are close to \$5,000, so far. He expects sales to get to \$15,000. Staff is working on equipment for the winter. Mayor Child noted this is the first winter without projects. Mr. Norman said the remodel is finished.

Director Fredrickson stated overall daily usage is about the same kilowatt hours as last year. The system only had one minor outage in November even with the large storm. It only affected a few customers. He expressed appreciation for the discussion on resources last week. Staff will be speaking with the Power Board in the morning about budget for solar projects. One project of interest is in the Skull Valley area that UMPA has invited Springville to participate in through a power purchase agreement at 3 cents a kilowatt hour. There is another possible project in Navajo Nation in the Four Corners area that could be less than 3 cents a kilowatt hour. That project already has transmission infrastructure because the San Juan project is winding down. The Mona station has become a key location for incoming power. The Blue Mountain Biogas project was purchased and they are struggling to get it going. City staff is already planning for summer and working on the engines to make sure they are up and ready to go. He concluded by highlighting our metering system. Staff is installing auto disconnect meters, which really helps on shut off day each month. A click on the computer screen reconnects the power as soon as the Finance Department calls Power Dispatch to report the bill has been paid, no truck required. Accuracy is increasing and monthly rereads are down, which keeps staff working on other projects.

Director Stapley reported that our culinary water use is down because of the season change. The 24-hour pump test on the new well showed 5000 gallons per minute and the draw down is ten feet. The interference test on other wells showed the wells only affected each other by one vertical foot. We have a good well. The bid for the pump and motor is out then will be attached to the well house contract which will go out to bid in January. That well should be up and running by the end of June. Water metering so far is normal.

Administration Fitzgerald reported the Clyde Recreation Center received its permanent certificate of occupancy. The architect turned in a report verifying the performance of glass and indoor systems from an energy standpoint. That project can be done soon.

Councilmember Snelson reported residents in the canyon are asking about high speed internet. Administrator Fitzgerald answered a new company is exploring tower locations without contacting the city. The company that is approved by the city to bring internet to the canyon has not proceeded with installation recently. Director Frederickson reported another company is asking to attach to city poles. Attorney Penrod answered installing antennas pole to pole in the canyon would be under county jurisdiction because it becomes a small cell site. Director Frederickson said they are close to county approval and want the city to approve pole attachment. Councilmember Miller asked about the counties



autonomy over small cell towers in the canyon. Attorney Penrod answered yes and added not many cities are receiving small cell tower applications.

Councilmember Snelson asked about curb parking and snow plows. Mayor Child answered winter parking is not restricted on every street. Director Stapley referred to the snow route map on the website. Chief Finlayson answered cars cannot park for more than 24 hours so cars covered with two days of snow get a ticket. Director Stapley answered the steep streets are restricted; no parking at all in the winter. Administrator Fitzgerald asked if there are signs on all the restricted streets. He stated that if the city is enforcing parking, the streets need to be signed.

Councilmember Miller stated the Clyde Recreation Center has been open for six months and asked for a report on the pro-forma. He reported the LCT (Utah League of Cities and Towns) is concerned that the legislature is actively seeking action on the low income housing idea. Concessions are being negotiated, and the LCT is putting together a preemptive plan. Springville City already has a Moderate Income Housing Plan included in the General Plan. If the city makes adjustments to that plan it will show the city is making concessions toward the requirements asked for by the legislature. A change in sales tax distribution was brought up. The 50/50 distribution was set up in 1983. Administration Fitzgerald said distribution is divided between population and point of delivery. Councilmember Miller reviewed the background of the sales tax distribution, saying larger cities in 1983 got more revenue because they had more retail. The distribution formula was designed to help smaller cities. 1% sales tax was added for municipalities and split 50/50. The state is considering changing the distribution formula.

Administration Fitzgerald said that changing the sales tax distribution formula has been discussed in previous years. The motivation this year is funding affordable housing. Developers/legislators are claiming cities are deliberately denying multi-family affordable housing in favor of commercial development; therefore cities cannot be trusted to handle sales tax distribution. The Salt Lake Tribune called municipalities out for not signing the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce resolution requiring cities to do things that Springville has already done. Springville City was part of the unanimous support of the Utah League of Cities and Towns publishing a lengthy rebuttal/response in the Salt Lake Tribune. The state legislature has planned untold numbers of ways to come after cities this year. Councilmember Miller agreed saying it is a scary prospect and stated the LCT reflects that the legislature considers the municipalities in the way and are making bad decisions to attract business, which impedes multifamily housing, showing the bias of the legislature.

Councilmember Snelson asked what municipalities are on the list. Administrator Fitzgerald answered 17 municipalities did not sign the chamber resolution. He was contacted by the league and he gave them our position. Springville is not listed in the Tribune article. The Chamber has a list of who has and has not signed the resolution on their website. Councilmember Miller added the LCT is reporting that the legislature is pushing bills that will punish municipalities for not conforming. Instead, the LCT will suggest withhold money in the UDOT/TIPs fund (Transportation Improvement Program) for compliance. There will be a public relations blitz. Mayor Child asked that staff stay aware of what is happening at the legislature. It comes back to the state not wanting the federal government to tell them what to do, but the state telling municipalities what to do. He continued by stating the city has the right to decide what comes to our city. He wants the city to stay strong and Springville has plenty of affordable housing in Springville.

Councilmember Miller agreed and added the feedback from resident shows they are very concerned. Mayor Child said Springville does not have much space left and we definitely do not want to fill it up with high density housing. Councilmember Miller said one of the concessions is each municipality should designate certain areas for high density. Mayor Child interjected Springville already does. Councilmember Miller agreed and said that shows we concede. He added it is crazy the current



legislature is so focused on development. Mayor Child said it is who is up there and who wants to make the money. Councilmember Miller agreed saying it is the developers. It depends on the definition of affordable housing. Mayor Child said affordable housing means more money for the developers. Look at who will make the most money. It means more money for the developers. Councilmember Miller agreed and said they make is sound altruistic; does the legislature expects municipalities to subsidize the developments.

Mayor Child concluded by reporting the Springville Irrigation Company says irrigation will be held tight this year especially if it is a low water winter. Some people might not get their water. There is not much bank water left in Strawberry. There was a period of bad management of the water last year with many things at fault. They will be more careful and aware this year. Our pressurized irrigation system is really helping us out. He said he does not know what would have happened without it. It is really good. He expressed appreciation to everyone for coming.

- b) Commission, Board, and Committee Minutes
 - i. Springville Arts Commission minutes for October 10, 2018
- c) Mayor and Council Reports

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

The Springville City Council may temporarily recess the regular meeting and convene in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as provided by UCA 52-4-205.

There was none.

4. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS BECAUSE THERE WAS NO QUORUM

This document constitutes the official minutes for the Springville City Council Work/Study meeting held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018.

I, Jennifer Grigg, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed, qualified, and acting City Recorder for Springville City, of Utah County, State of Utah. I do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes represent a true and accurate, and complete record of this meeting held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018.

Jennifer Grigg
Deputy City Recorder

