EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP
Local Government Training & Social

Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council, Emigration Canyon Community Council &
Emigration Improvement District

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Thursday, January 31, 2019

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: JENNIFER HAWKES
GARY BOWEN
DAVID BREMS
ROBERT PAINE
JOE SMOLKA, Chair

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: BART BARKER, GENERAL MANAGER, GREATER SALT LAKE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DISTRICT (GSLMSD)
SHERRIE SWENSEN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK
By: NICHOLE WATT, DEPUTY CLERK

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Mayor Smolka, Chair, presided.

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The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

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Explanation of Emigration Canyon's Local Government, How it all Works Together and its Unique Purposes

Mayor Smolka stated the purpose of this meeting is to discuss leadership in the canyon and how each entity works together.

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (GSLMSD)

Bart Barker stated the GSLMSD is the service provider for the Metro Townships and the residents of unincorporated Salt Lake County. The GSLMSD receives its funding from the Metro Townships and unincorporated County and contracts with Salt Lake County agencies to provide various services. Funding come from sales tax, Class B and C highway funds, fees, grants and other revenues. The GSLMSD Board allocates funding, establishes policies, and sets service levels. The GSLMSD is made up of the Metro Township Mayor's and a Salt Lake County Council Member. The GSLMSD role is to evaluate the needs of all the Metro Townships and unincorporated County and to use the funding to accomplish those needs. The GSLMSD is the service provider and they oversee all contracts with agencies to provide the services. The Board oversees property tax authority over the District. Payroll and benefits will be moved from Salt Lake County to the GSLMSD and by the end of August 2019, Salt Lake County Planning and Development Services will be moved over to the GSLMSD.

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Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission

Robert Pinon, Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission, stated the Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission is comprised of seven commissioners and are appointed by the Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council. The Planning Commission reviews and makes recommendations on the general plan, FCOZ, planning, building and permitting that requires additional public hearings, and conditional uses. Salt Lake County helps with administrative support.

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Emigration Canyon Community Council (ECCC)

Steve Borst, Chair, Emigration Canyon Community Council, stated the ECCC is a nonprofit organization providing grass roots representation and a voice for the residents of Emigration Canyon. The ECCC produces a newsletter, announcements, social media, and reviews matters that impact Emigration Canyon. It organizes the annual Firewise event that educates the public on fire safety. Firewise will be held on May 4, 2019. The ECCC consists of 12 elected volunteer members that are Emigration Canyon residents. Members are elected for four-year terms and six members are up for election every even year. The ECCC has working groups that take on special issues like trails.

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Emigration Improvement District (EID)

Dave Bradford, Emigration Improvement District, stated the EID is a special service district that levy's taxes and are responsible for water and sewer services. The EID is directed by an elected three-member board of trustees and a manager to over see day-to-day activities.

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Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council

Mayor Smolka stated the Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council is a five-member board that oversees local ordinances and municipal services. It receives sales tax and class B road money. The Council hired its own legal counsel, David Church. Council Members sit in a voting capacity on the following boards:

- Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (GSLMSD)
- Council of Governments
- Wasatch Front Regional Council
- Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)
- Unified Police Department (UPD)
- Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA)
- Unified Fire Authority (UFA)
- Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA)
- Salt Lake County Animal Services

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Introductions

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (GSLMSD)

Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission

Robert Pinon, Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission, introduced himself stating he works as an architect. He purchased property in Emigration Canyon that needed an alternative septic system. He had to go through the Planning Commission process to get approval and has now made it easier for future people to build. He felt it was time to give back and with his knowledge of the laws, the Planning Commission was a good fit.

Dale Berreth, Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission, introduced himself stating he is recently retired as an architect and has been a resident of Emigration Canyon for 20 years. He has been a commissioner for two months.

Andy Wallace, Emigration Canyon Metro Township, introduced himself stating he has a background in geology and is a retired commercial pilot and purchased his home in 1997. He loves the canyon and is looking forward to seeing the community grow and flourish.

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Emigration Canyon Community Council

Paul Brown, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced himself stating he is an attorney that worked on environmental cases and has lived in the Canyon for 5 ½ years. He currently serves as a Trustee on the Oaks Board.

Lisa Schneider, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced herself stating her occupation has been in finance, finance planning, strategic planner, capacity building, partnership development in community development, and served in an executive role in the private and public sectors. She has lived in the Canyon for 12 years. She is motivated to have constructive dialogue in the communities and motivated to engage other people in the community to get involved.

Stephanie Harpst, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced herself stating before retirement she processed federal grants for Salt Lake City and was the Vice President for community relations for Wells Fargo. She is serving her 2 terms on the Community Council and is looking forward to working closer with the various entities and community.

Kate Miyagi, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced herself stating she is a doctor in natural and alternative medicine. She serves as secretary for the Community Council and has been helping with how information is distributed to canyon residents through the website, newsletter, and social media.

Steve Borst, Emigration Canyon Community Council introduced himself stating he has been an investor or a company executive. He has started 25 companies and has served as CFO or CEO. He has lived in the canyon since 2011 and has served on the Community Council for five years. There are interesting challenges in the canyon and he loves the people he works with on the Community

Council.

Dan Anderson, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced himself stating he is a mechanical engineer and quality control manager for L3. He has lived in the canyon for 3 years. He is the chair of the trail's subcommittee.

Bill Tobey, Emigration Canyon Community Council, introduced himself, stating he is semi-retired from marketing communications for information technology companies and has lived in the canyon for 25 years. His communications background will be useful on the Community Council. He currently organizes the Firewise event.

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Emigration Improvement District

Brent Tippets, Emigration Improvement District, introduced himself stating he has lived in the canyon for 13 years. He took an interest in the Emigration Improvement District because of the valuable natural resources in the canyon.

Dave Bradford, Emigration Improvement District, introduced himself stating he has a doctorate in clinical psychology, ASTRO public health degree, and started a pharmacoepidemiology company. He has lived in the canyon for 11 years. He likes sorting out the various issues that the Emigration Improvement District faces.

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Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council

Council Member Hawkes introduced herself stating she is a landscape architect in environmental planning. She previously sat on the Emigration Canyon Community Council and when the Metro Township came about, she wanted to make a difference and serve on the Council.

Council Member Brems introduced himself stating he built a house in the canyon in 1979. He served on the Emigration Canyon Planning Commission, continuously since 1988, until he was elected to the Council. He has been involved with the planning of two general plans in the canyon.

Council Member Paine introduced himself stating he is a pulmonary physician at the University of Utah and has lived in the canyon for 12 years. He sits on the Air Quality Board and sat on the UCare Board. He decided instead of complaining about government he should do something.

Council Member Bowen introduced himself stating he had spent summers in the canyon since 1950-1960 and has about 75 years of experience in the canyon. After experiencing the process of remodeling his home he decided to get involved and joined the Community Council in 2005.

Mayor Smolka introduced himself stating he served on the Community Council for several years and has been involved with canyon planning for a long time. He was involved with drawing the hunting boundaries, building the fire station, and other projects. The community and community leaders can influence the canyon in a positive way. He is a face to face kind of person and if someone wants to talk, they can call him or stop him while he is outside. Communications between entities needs to improve, get phone numbers for other board members and call each other.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

SHERRIE SWENSEN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By _____
Deputy Clerk

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CHAIR, EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

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