Minutes of the Regular Trenton Town Council Meeting held on Tuesday October 1, 2019 at 7:30 p.m., in the Trenton Town Hall, 17 East Main, Trenton, Utah.

Present: Mayor Lynn Payne

Councilmembers Donny Merrill

Stacey Wangsgard

Rachelle Ludwinski

Stephanie Merrill

Clerk Macall Smith

Guests: Kyle Kingston, Brittney Kingston, Bryce Lancaster, Capsa representative, Melissa Merrill, Cleone Allsop, Richard Allsop, Sheri Newton, Wendy Hanson, Andrew Thompson, Katherine Rawson, Ed Cottle, Janet Cottle, Andrew Sparks, Ken Allsop and Alice Sparks.

Mayor Payne welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

Councilmember Wangsgard led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Alligence.

# Approval of Agenda

COUNCILMEMBER WANSGARD MOVED THAT THE OCTOBER 1, 2019 MEETING AGENDA BE APPROVED. COUNCILMEMBER LUDWINSKI SECONDED THE MOTION, WITH ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

# Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mayor Payne asked for a motion to approve the September 3, 2019 Regular Town Council meeting minutes. COUNCILMEMBER WANGSGARD MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2019 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. COUNCILMEMBER LUDWINSKI SECONDED THE MOTION WITH ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

***Public Comment***

Bryce Lancaster on behalf of Citizen Against Physical & Sexual Abuse (CAPSA) gave a presentation regarding domestic violence awareness month. He shared some of the thing that CAPSA does. Mayor Payne asked where the funding for CAPSA comes from. Mr. Lancaster stated that most of the funding comes from grants, State funding and donations. Mayor Payne also asked for some information that could be put out at the town hall regarding the services provided by CAPSA, including one to put on the bulletin board in the front of the town hall.

Janet Cottle discussed with the Council her belief that the fees for a water connection should be the same for opposite side of the main water line and same side as the main water line. She explained that she feels the hook-up fee should be equalized regardless of whether you have to bore under the road or not. She stated that most of her property requires boring under the road and she doesn’t feel that it is fair to her and all others that are in her situation to have to pay more to hook into the town water system. She shared the difference in the costs for the two situations and asked the council to consider equalizing it for all.

***Interviews of Town Council Applicants to fill vacancy on Town Council:***

Mayor Payne explained that due to Kim Hatch resigning from the Council last month it has become necessary to fill the seat vacated by her. He stated that two applications had been received, Stephanie Merrill and Kyle Kingston. He asked each Candidate to take five minutes to discuss why each wanted to serve and how they could be of benefit to the town and how they could deal with the park/ cemetery. Councilmember Merrill stated that he didn’t feel that Stephanie Merrill should be able to serve on the Council because of the family relationship between himself and her, he explained that he felt that it was unethical. Mayor Payne asked how they were related and Councilmember Merrill explained that Ms. Merrill’s husband and himself were cousins. Mayor Payne stated that he has looked into the issue when Glade Brough’s seat needed to be filled and according to the County Attorney there is no problem with Stephanie Merrill serving on the board with Councilmember Donny Merrill.

Stephanie Merrill explained that she had lived in Trenton for a long time and feels like she would like to give back to the community. She also stated that she is around all the time and doesn’t work during the summer.

Kyle Kingston stated that he also felt that it was time for him to serve in the town. He stated that parties are not his strong point but that he would be willing to learn how to deal with the parties/ events that happen in Trenton.

Mayor Payne expressed his appreciation for how the new Councilmembers have contributed to the town over the last year. He stated that he hoped the newly appointed Councilmember would be able to do the same.

The Council voted by ballot with 3 voting in favor of Stephanie Merrill and 1 in favor of Kyle Kingston. Stephanie Merrill was sworn in by Clerk Smith and joined the Council in front.

***Cache Celebration Committee for Women’s Suffrage- Sheri Newton***

Sheri Newton shared a presentation regarding the first vote for Women in Utah. She shared some facts about the Women’s Suffrage in Utah. Ms. Newton shared some idea’s for things that Trenton could do to promote voting along with promoting the Women’s suffrage celebration.

***Rocky Mountain Power Ordinance***

The Council discussed taking the next month to look into the ordinance more in depth. They would like to reread it and talk with Rocky Mountain Power regarding projects needing done in Trenton. The Council discussed areas in which they could ask for grant money from Rocky Mountain Power as part of Rocky Mountain Power’s efforts to give back to communities.

***Resolution 19-10-01- Cancelation of the 2019 municipal election***

Clerk Smith read Resolution 19-10-01 Cancelation of the 2019 municipal election aloud. COUNCILMEMBER WANGSGARD MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 19-10-01 A RESOLUTION CANCELING THE 2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTION WITH COUNCILMEMBER LUDWINSKI SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

***Discussion on annual Trenton Trunk or Treat***

Councilmember Stephanie Merrill stated that she will start planning the Trunk or Treat for Thursday October 1 at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Wangsgard suggested looking into smaller size doughnuts instead of the large ones that have been used in the past.

***Discussion regarding new water connection costs- Councilmember Ludwinski***

Councilmember Ludwinski shared some actual costs incurred when installing a new water meter. She explained that about $320 worth of the costs are the same regardless of if the road is bored under or not. She suggested that instead of cost plus 20% the water hook-up fee is the cost plus $320. The Mayor asked each Councilmember to share their feelings regarding the issue. All members of the Council were in favor of Councilmember Ludwinski’s suggestion. Mayor Payne thanked Councilmember Ludwinski for her research into the issue.

***Discussion on impact fee- Councilmember Rachelle Ludwinski***

Councilmember Ludwinski discussed the steps involved with passing an impact fee. She shared that based on the numbers that she has come up with the maximum that Trenton could charge in impact fees is $7622.00 beginning in 2020 and $9825.00 in 2025. She stated that state law requires an impact fee to be reevaluated every 5 years. Councilmember Ludwinski explained the reasoning behind and method of obtaining the numbers for an impact fee. She shared that an impact fee is a way to have new hook-ups to the water system share the cost of all the infrastructure put in over the last 20 years. Mayor Payne asked for the thoughts of each Councilmember, sharing that he likes the idea of an impact fee. Councilmember Donny Merrill stated that he would be in favor of the full impact fee, as was Councilmember Stephanie Merrill and Councilmember Wangsgard. Councilmember Ludwinski will continue to look into what needs to be done to charge an impact fee.

***Update on replacement town hall***

Councilmember Ludwinski stated that she has been in discussions with the representatives of CDBG funding regarding grants for a new community center. They have indicated to her that it would be a project that would fall into the guidelines for the program. The new center would bring the building into ADA compliance, CDBG loves to award money to projects that fall in this category. She has met with J-U-B and they are going to put together some proposals. She stated that it looks like to get about $450,000 over the course of the two-year application period.

***Parks update***

Councilmember Stephanie Merrill stated that Trunk or Treat will be on October 31st at 6 p.m. she will look into smaller doughnuts. Mayor Payne asked her to look into replacing the flag pole at the cemetery.

***Water update***

Councilmember Ludwinski shared the inflow and outflows of the past month. She shared that the blending plan has been submitted to the State and she is waiting to hear back for an approval. She updated the Council on the Sparks redevelopment sharing that the project is scheduled to begin on October 7 and finishing up before November 30. She stated that the contract allows the town to collect $500 from the Construction Company each day for every day passed November 30th.

***Roads update***

Councilmember Donny Merrill updated the council on the roads. He stated that the trees along north Center Street were trimmed. He stated that the COG road application will be reviewed at a meeting on October 10 at 5 p.m. He shared that he is getting salt from Richmond along with the last small amount being stored at Kirt Hatch’s. Mayor Payne asked him to get some information and ideas of what Councilmember Donny Merrill would like for a salt storage shed in case of potential funding projects.

#### Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council COUNCILMEMBER WANGSGARD MOVED TO ADJOURN THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE TRENTON TOWN COUNCIL AT 9:11 P.M. WITH COUNCILMEMBER LUDWINSKI SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

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Macall Smith, Town Clerk/Recorder

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Lynn Payne, Mayor

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