

SPRING CITY COUNCIL-MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m. – City Council Meeting
Spring City Council Chambers, Spring City Hall, 45 South 100 East

Attendees: Christy McGriff, Austin Hisley, Johnny Collin, Kristen Mortensen, John Watts, Ken Law, George Kenzy, Kent Kummer, Cynthia DeGray, Courtney Syme, Mike and Carla Nelson, Joseph Fuchsel, Doug Lowe, Robert Buckner, Jim Phillips, John Stewart

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Sorensen

Expression of Choice: Joesph Fuscal

Roll Call: Mayor Neil Sorensen, Council Members: Craig Clark, Chris Anderson, Tom Brunner, Joe McGriff

Mayor, Council, and Department Reports

Council Member McGriff: He thanked Kent Kummer, Jim Bennett and Cody Harmer for all light decorations and all that they did for the city. He stated that the Christmas Pole Decorating contest went really well and prize money was given out to the winners at the Christmas Lighting Ceremony. He thanked Cynthia DeGray, Diane Allred, Elizabeth Allred and for all they did for the successful Christmas party. He explained the first Christmas Lighting Ceremony took place in 1995, which was twenty five years ago and now the second time the ceremony has taken place is in 2019. He thanked Christy McGriff for the thirty seven hours she took in repainted all the old Christmas decorations that are displayed in front of the City Hall Lawn.

Council Member Brunner: Reported that the Senior Dinner doing really well. The last Senior Dinner was a full Thanksgiving dinner and about sixty people showed up. He invited all those that are fifty five and older to come. It is the third Wednesday of each month.

Council Member Anderson: He thanked all those who participated in the Christmas decorations and stated how terrific everything looked. He stated that the December Newsletter is out and everyone should take a look at it. He explained the newsletter highlighted a couple of Artists who have items for sale at the Craft and Art fair which will be at the Spring City Arts Gallery. He reported that the Friends of Historic Spring City will be having a small Candlelight Christmas Home tour on December 14th and a Miniature Art Sale will take place as well.

Council Member Clark: reported he was working with Jim Bennett and discussing the roads for next year. He stated that he has been working with Mike Black our new employee in the office. They are looking into new ideas for the cemetery. He reported that the budget is looking good.

Mayor Sorensen: He stated that the trailer behind the elementary school has become available to Spring City. It is 24 by 60 feet and it has heating and air conditioning. He felt it would be an awesome addition to put in the city yard. It has a storage room that could be used to store maps. It could also be used as a classroom if the Fire Department needs it. He reported that Jones and DeMille Engineering is still going forward with working on the Penstock. They are trying to find a funding package to replace the Penstock. He stated that JUB Engineering is in the process of writing a RFP so we can proceed with FEMA in regards to flood and irrigation management.

Kristen Mortensen: Zoning Permit for a New Home at 16 South 700 East

Kristen Mortensen stated that the garage is attached to house and wanted to make sure the plans showed that.

Council Member Anderson motioned to approve Zoning Permit for a New Home at 16 South 700 East. Motion seconded by Council Member McGriff. All were in favor.

Cathy Whitaker: Zoning Permit for a modification at 340 South 400 East

Council Member Clark motioned to approve Zoning Permit for a modification at 340 South 400 East. Motion seconded by Council Member Brunner. All were in favor.

Forest Service/Spring City Recreation Area Agreement

Austin Hisky from forest service stated that the only change to their agreement is in regard to the water system. They reached out to the Department of Water Quality and the last water sample in the picnic area was in 2007. The Forest Service is held liable for the water system if we enter into the agreement. Under section three in the agreement it states Spring City shall provide three tests or samples which should be provided to the forest Service each month. **Mayor Sorensen** stated we are constantly testing the water. *Austin Hisky* stated they will need copies of the tests or samples that are taken every month which should include nitrates. **Mayor Sorensen** asked if the toilet will be cleaned. *Austin Hisky* asked if Spring City wanted it to be just a picnic area or to allow overnight camping as well? The Forest Service would like it to stay just as a day area. There is only four individual sites to take care of and sometimes there is a Lack of funding to keep up such a small area. The concern is around fire rings, picnic tables and water table in the restrooms. The Forest Service would keep up the hazard trees. **Mayor Sorensen** stated that Sorensen Farms takes the hazard trees and cuts them into plank and puts them on the picnic tables. *Austin Hisky* explained the Forest Service would help with the maintaining the Signage which would include no overnight parking. He asked if three spigots were needed and could they bring it down to two, in which they will maintain the spigots. **Councilmember Brunner** stated keeping the three spigots. *Austin Hisky* stated contact information would be Cynthia DeGray and Jim Bennett. He also stated they will need an expense account showing how much it will cost Spring City to maintain the area.

Council Member Anderson motioned to approve the contract with Forest Service and Spring City Recreation Area. **Motion seconded by Council Member Clark. All were in favor.**

New Scada Water System

Mayor Sorensen explained the Scada Water System is a system that monitors water flow. *Kent Kummer* explained the monitoring system will measure real time data on water coming down from the springs and what's coming in and out of the water tank. He stated we can run Fiber Optic line down to it which would allow us to look through cameras. We would have to convert all data from analog to put on fiber. We would need a Meter on the overflow and on the tanks. It is getting the peak flow which is what we need. **Mayor Sorensen** stated Jim got estimate for \$65,000. And we need to get a plan by Dec. 31st to get it started. It goes along with State of Utah and Water Rights. Spring City needs to come up with a plan to identify where water is going.

Council Member Anderson motioned to develop a New Scater Watering System plan in motion. **Motion seconded by Council Member Clark. All were in favor.**

Bids on Wire Spooling Trailer

Kent Kummer stated that he has two bids on Wire Spooling Trailers. He explained having a revenue of \$18,000 over budget from UAMPS in which he could buy this trailer. He went over the two different bids and why one was more than the other. The Brooks Brother trailer, if taken the front off, then each would be same price. He explained that we have been using Mt Pleasant equipment.

Council Member Clark motioned to approve Real Strong bid for Wire Spooling Trailer. **Motion seconded by Council Member McGriff. All were in favor.**

EMAC Emergency Program Manager

Council Member Brunner explained the City Council nominated four members as Manager for the EMAC Program. After the interview process they had picked Ken Law as the program manager, first Assistant Mike Black, second assistant Paul Penrod as third Assistant Jim Fleming. They would be trained by on line classes and through other county leaders. There is no budget impact on this. He stated going to Sheriff's Station in

Manti and meeting with Sargent Alby who is over Emergency Service of Sanpete County. He was very impressed with us and that we were the only group in Sanpete County to go through with this.

Council Member Anderson motioned to approve Ken Law as Manager, Mike Black First Assistant, Paul Penrod Second Assistant and Jim Fleming as Third Assistant for the EMAC Emergency Program. **Motion seconded by Council Member McGriff. All were in favor.**

Volunteers and Police Services Program (VIPS)

Council Member Brunner stated that Clark Christensen wanted to get approval from the council to pick four or five volunteer citizens to train for an emergency for VIPS. VIPS is under the IACP, International Association Chief of Police and the Department of Justice. He explained that Clark does not have any help when an emergency happens. He could pick volunteers himself but he would rather have the councils support. It is under the Spring City ordinance 2018-01 and is part of CERT. **Council Member McGriff** stated the Difference with VIPS and CERT is having more security for the town by using things like the old police car in doing more police services. *Cynthia DeGray* stated that she wants to have more than just Clark in making that decision. She stated she was very uncomfortable with having just Clark pick the volunteers. *George Kenzy* stated it is imperative to have others have a say on choosing these volunteers. **Council Member McGriff** stated that a work meeting needs to be scheduled with Clark and the council.

Council Member Brunner motioned to approve the Police Chief to start the Volunteers and Police Service Program. **Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson. Council Member McGriff substituted a motioned to table the VIPS Program for further study. Motion seconded by Council Member Clark. All in favor.**

Home Decorating Contest Utility Discount

Council Member McGriff stated that complications came up with using a utilities discount. So they decided to use gift cards to award the winners of the Home Decorating Contest. This would come out of the recreation budget.

Council Member McGriff motioned to replace Utilities discount with gift cards for the Home Decoration Contest. **Motion seconded by Council Member Clark. All were in favor.**

Public Comments

Joe Fuscal stated that we need to put light along the walk way on the west side of City Hall because it was hard to see. *Kent Kummer* stated that asphalt needs to be repaired first but he would work on that. *Carla Nelson* stated she wanted to thank Neil Sorensen for being a great mayor and neighbor. *Robert Buckner* explained that David Rosier is doing a Christmas program on Christmas Eve at the Rock Church at 7pm.

Delinquent Account Exceptions

No accounts came forward

Payment of Bills

Council Member Clark motioned to approve Payment of Bills. **Motion seconded by Council Member McGriff. All were in favor.**

Canvass Election Meeting Minutes, November 12, 2019

Council Member Clark motioned to approve the Canvass Election Meeting Minutes, November 12, 2019. Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson. All were in favor.

Council Meeting Minutes, November 7, 2019

Council Member Brunner motioned to approve the Council Meeting Minutes, November 7, 2019. Motion seconded by Council Member McGriff. All were in favor.

Adjournment 8:09pm