

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, December 5, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Helper Auditorium

Council Chambers

19 South Main Street

Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:

City Staff

Mayor Lenise Peterman

Council Members:

Donna Archuleta

Darren Cloward (Absent Excused)

Dave Dornan (Absent Excused)

Malarie Matsuda

Amanda Wheeler

City Recorder Jona Skerl

Public Works Director Gary Harwood

Chief Trent Anderson

Attorney Jeremy Humes

Citizens: Vikki Ori, Jean Boyack, Bill Thayn, Cliff Chubbuck, Michelle Goldsmith.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Peterman directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

The regular meeting of the Helper City Council was called to order by Mayor Peterman at 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR November 7 and 12, 2019.

Council Member Wheeler moved to approve the minutes of November 7 and 12, 2019. Council Member Matsuda seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler, and Archuleta all voting yes.

APPROVAL OF SIMPLE LOT SUBDIVISION FOR JIMMY AND VIKKI ORI.

Planning Commissioner, Jean Boyack explained the simple lot subdivision is a single lot spilt into two separate lots. The separation of the lots was approved by Planning and Zoning.

Council Member Wheeler moved to approve the simple lot subdivision for Jimmy and Vikki Ori located at the west end of 300 North. Council Member Matsuda seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler, and Archuleta all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ON JOHN JONES CONTRACT.

Attorney Humes summarized the agreement between John and Debbie Jones and the City. The agreement will fix the encroachment on the Jones property located on Roosevelt Street and deed the property on 1st West which should have been recorded in 1994. Public Works Director, Gary Harwood requested the storm drain easement be recorded with the 1st West property as a permanent easement at the same time. John and Debbie Jones will be paid \$35,000 and possible closing cost for the Roosevelt Street property.

Council Member Matsuda moved to approve the contract agreement with the permanent storm drain easement added. Council Member Archuleta seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler, and Archuleta all voting yes.

APPROVAL ON RETRACTING MOTION FOR BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.

Mayor Peterman stated after some research and discussion with the city's insurance company, the city will not be able to sponsor the Boy Scouts. The city's insurance company felt the liability would be too much for the city to handle. Council Member Matsuda told the scout leader to check with Carbon School District. Scout Leader Bill Thayne thanked the council for considering the sponsorship.

Council Member Matsuda moved to retract the motion to sponsor the Boy Scouts of America. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler, and Archuleta all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ON MOU WITH CARBON COUNTY FOR PAYMENT OF TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF LICENSED POLYGRAPH EXAMINER.

Council Member Wheeler moved to approve the MOU with Carbon County for polygraph examiner services. Council Member Matsuda seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler, and Archuleta all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2019-9 EMPLOYEE'S USE OF CITY PROPERTY.

Attorney Humes stated Resolution 2019-9 is a result of a recent legislation on employee use of city property for personnel use. The resolution will allow employees the use of certain city property if insignificant and will not interfere with city business.

Council Member Matsuda moved to adopt Resolution 2019-9 employee's use of city property. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion Carried. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Matsuda, Wheeler and Archuleta in favor with no one in opposition Resolution 2019-9 unanimous roll call vote.

APPROVAL ON PAYING USU ARCHITECTURE GROUP FOR MAIN STREET PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000.

Mayor Peterman stated the students from the USU Architecture group came to Helper four times to design Main Street. Mayor Peterman presented council with a design booklet for all of Helper Main Street with various designs. The cost of the project is \$4,000. Council Member Matsuda, Wheeler and Archuleta all questioned the cost of the project. The council was under the impression the project was an internship training at no cost.

Council Member Matsuda moved to approve the \$4,000 to USU Architecture group. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matsuda, Wheeler voting yes and Archuleta voting no.

REVIEW OF ELECTRICAL RATES.

Mayor Peterman requested council review the proposed rates for next year.

APPROVAL ON ORDINANCE 2019-5 MEETING DATES FOR 2020.

City Recorder Skerl purposed changing the first meeting on January 2 to January 9. The new council members will be sworn in on January 6 at noon.

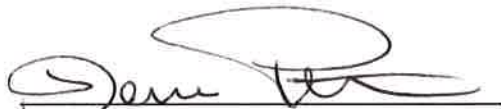
Council Member Wheeler moved to adopt Ordinance 2019-5 meeting dates for 2020. Council Member Matsuda seconded the motion. Motion Carried. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Matsuda, Wheeler and Archuleta in favor with no one in opposition Ordinance 2019-5 unanimous roll call vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Members reported on various projects being worked on.

There being no further business Council Member Wheeler moved to adjourn. Council Member Matsuda seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Matsuda, Wheeler and Archuleta all voting yes. Meeting adjourned.

I hereby certify that the fore going represents a true, accurate, and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, December 5, 2019.



Lenise Peterman
Mayor



Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on January 9, 2020