

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL  
February 20, 2020**

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| PRESENT:      | Tyler Vincent     | Mayor                                     |
|               | DJ Bott           | Councilmember                             |
|               | Alden Farr        | Councilmember                             |
|               | Joe Olson         | Councilmember                             |
|               | Robin Troxell     | Councilmember                             |
| EXCUSED       | Tom Peterson      | Councilmember                             |
| ALSO PRESENT: | Joseph Bach       | Fire Chief                                |
|               | Christina Boss    | City Recorder                             |
|               | Rick Bosworth     | Human Resources Director                  |
|               | Dave Burnett      | Power Director                            |
|               | Mike Christiansen | City Attorney                             |
|               | Paul Larsen       | Community & Economic Development Director |
|               | Mike Nelsen       | Police Chief                              |
|               | Derek Oyler       | Finance Director                          |
|               | Tyler Pugsley     | Public Works Director                     |
|               | Jason Roberts     | City Administrator                        |

Mayor Vincent called the meeting to order. The Reverence Period was given by Bishop Garl Waldron of the LDS West Stake. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion to approve the February 6, 2020 Work Session and City Council meeting minutes was made by Councilmember Bott, seconded by Councilmember Olson and unanimously approved as distributed.

**AGENDA**

**MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**

**RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES**

New Hires in Community Activities & Services and Fire Department

**CONSENT**

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

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**MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**

Mayor Vincent addressed those in attendance. A PowerPoint presentation was displayed on the screen during the Mayor's address.

*I appreciate everybody being here tonight to discuss the State of the City. This year we began a new chapter for Brigham City. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Ruth Jensen and Mark Thompson for the work they accomplished while serving as Councilmembers. We really appreciate them. I look forward to working with our two new Councilmembers, Joe Olson and Robin Troxell, along with Alden, DJ and Tom.*

*I love Brigham City and I appreciate our citizens. I am grateful to be the Mayor. This is my third year and my second term. It's a great blessing and opportunity to be able to serve*

*the citizens of our town and I really appreciate them. I appreciate those who dedicate their time and volunteer. We have a great Youth City Council that spend a lot of time doing great things. We appreciate them and we really appreciate our staff and their willingness to work with volunteers. We appreciate them and all that they do.*

*I've decided that our City-wide focus for the last two years of my term is "All In." We have asked all City employees what being all in means to them and how we can do better being all in at our job duties, our homes, our families and all other aspects of our lives. In order to be successful, we need a good work and life balance.*

*Eagle Mountain Golf Course continues to attract golfers from all over Northern Utah to visit Brigham City. We are known as one of the best courses Utah has to offer. 2019 was filled with obstacles, not the least of which was the completion of the new irrigation system. Through it all, we were able to keep the course open for individual play and tournaments.*

*In August, we invited the public to a community party including a free hamburger or hot dog dinner and a concert. The cooks for the evening were our local officials. The food and drinks for this event were donated by Ferry Farms, Kent's Market and Niagara Bottling. The entertainment was sponsored by Brigham City Community Hospital. I believe that getting people together to enjoy time with each other helps to build a better spirit of community.*

*Some of the projects of interest that are coming or have been completed in Brigham City are the True North facility, Café Rio, the new 7-Eleven store, Quick Quack Car Wash, Brigham City Hospital expansion, IMT's new office building and site improvements, the Maple Springs Skilled Nursing and Memory Care building, and additional phases of the North Forty subdivision. We are also working with UDOT and stakeholders to redesign the critical 900 North Main intersection.*

*Last summer, we were approached by Ballet West to hold a 75 days before the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Nutcracker Ballet. In September, Brigham City residents were entertained by members of Ballet West along with local dancers at the Academy Center. This event and many others are making the Academy Center a much sought after site.*

*Brigham City Recreation continues to provide opportunities for residents and non-residents alike. All ages, ability levels and a wide variety of sports invite everyone to come and enjoy. Along with these local activities, Brigham City Recreation also hosts numerous events for people from surrounding communities as well as from other states. The most prestigious of these is the Tournament of Champions pickleball event.*

*The Senior Center provides a variety of services and activities for seniors in Brigham City and surrounding communities. The Center is a place where people can come and get a great lunch, meet other people with similar interests, engage in exercise classes or just sit and enjoy the entertainment and company. Each year we hold a March for Meals fundraiser event for the Meals on Wheels program.*

*After 28 years of service, Sue Hill retired as the Library Director for Brigham City. Elizabeth Schow has now taken on that role. In April, the Library's National Library Week activities featured a community scavenger hunt with 20 organizations from Brigham City participating. Patrons can visit the locations during a two-week period and learn about the services offered by each organization. '*

*We have set a goal to better educate users and public officials on cyber-security risks. We have implemented a City-wide phishing test for all City employees and public officials. A failed test automatically enrolls a user in a brief training to help them understand the importance of acting responsibly while using City computers and networks. We also have a new server and web-based GIS which allows City staff to access and maintain City utilities and other infrastructure information in the office or in the field, increasing efficiency and accuracy.*

*In October, Public Power held its first ever Open House. The public was invited to come to the Power Station, tour the facilities, participate in activities and watch demonstrations put on by our Public Power staff. It is estimated that 60-70% of the customers don't know who provides their electric power. This Open House helped introduced the public to a dedicated staff that works hard to keep the lights on.*

*Because of pipe expansion caused by cold temperatures, we experience water leaks throughout the winter. Typically, these leaks are not as large as this one on the northeast side of town. Thanks to the quick response of our Public Works crews, the break was repaired and cleaned up with little disruption to the surrounding homes.*

*This past year we completed installation of back-up power generation to two wells and the power substation. This redundant back up power is critical and helps maintain a high level of service to our customers. We also obtained some grant funding to help mitigate and repair areas of concern along Box Elder Creek. These repairs will help protect our community during the next Spring run-off event.*

*Dennis B. Memorial Park, formerly known as Playground Park, is currently under construction. We are adding a memorial sign along with playground improvements which include transcontinental railroad trains which were previously located at John Adams Park. Contractors are also working on seven new pickleball courts at Rees Pioneer Park. These additional courts are being constructed to accommodate the demands created by the Tournament of Champions.*

*This past year we completed a master plan for the Cemetery. We have recently bid Phase 1 of this plan which includes a new roadway on the west portion of the Cemetery. The expansion will tie into the existing south roadway. Anticipated completion of the project is in the Summer of 2020.*

*Ongoing street maintenance keeps the Public Works Department busy during the summer months. This last year we spent approximately \$600,000 repairing roads within our community. This equates to 4.3 miles of roadway repairs.*

*I'm happy to report that we completed the Mantua Loop Line Project. This project replaced an existing water line that was installed in the early 1960s that runs under the Mantua Reservoir. This new line provides a better location for maintenance and greatly reduces potential contamination to our drinking water supply. It is our goal to provide safe and dependable water to our customers and this new line improves our ability to do this.*

*Over the past couple of years, we have been preparing for some big changes at the wastewater treatment plant. The necessary upgrades are a result of more stringent requirements imposed by the Division of Environment Quality. Brigham City has been proactive in our approach to this and has been planning and setting aside monies over the*

*past two budget years to pay for the improvements. Anticipated completion of this project is in the Fall of 2020.*

*The Fire Department continues to provide around the clock response to emergency situations. Over the past year we have been able to staff the station with a full-time fire marshal and 5 full time fire fighters. Pictured here are our A, B, and C shift members along with the Fire Chief, Administrative Assistant and the Fire Marshall. In 2019, we responded to 2,845 emergency calls. We also received a new brush truck for wildland fires and replaced one of our ambulances. Public outreach and education are important to our fire fighters. There are many tours of the station given to school and church groups throughout the year. The Safety Open House helps to raise money for the Utah Burn Center.*

*The Brigham City Police Department currently has 28 sworn officers. In 2019, the Police Cross medal was given posthumously to the Vincent family for Assistant Chief Dennis Vincent and our own Levi Tarver was awarded the Utah Animal Control Officer of the Year. Brigham City Police Department works hard to let citizens know they care. These photos show some of the things officers do to engage with the community. I'm proud of our Police Department. They have a tough and often thankless job to do and they do that job to the best of their ability to maintain our quality of life. I appreciate that so much.*

*I would like to thank Donna Pett and Jason Roberts and all of our staff for helping to put this presentation together and give me the opportunity to present it.*

*I'll let you know that our City is in a good state. We have a lot of great things going on. We are appreciative of our new Councilmembers that are a little bit overwhelmed as they see the things that they must learn and do. We appreciate them and their willingness to serve. But I'll tell you that our City is a fine place. One of my friends that had actually moved away and had been gone for about eight years, came and talked to me at my business the other day and said that he just cannot believe how wonderful Brigham is. He is just amazed at the services that are provided for him here that he did not get in the other areas they lived in.*

*I just want to thank our staff, those people who volunteer their time and our citizens who are concerned about our City and the well-being of our town. Thank you for all you do, and I appreciate the opportunity to be able to serve. Thank you.*

### **RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES**

In Community Activities and Services, Amber Moore was recently hired as the Aquatics Supervisor and Katie Jensen was hired as an Activities Specialist. Kari Pyle was hired as an Administrative Assistant in the Fire Department.

### **CONSENT**

#### **Reappointments to Advisory Council on Aging**

Brenda Larsen, Sheila Harper and Bruce Coleman were recommended for appointment to the Advisory Council on Aging.

**MOTION:** A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Bott, seconded by Councilmember Farr and carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Troxell – attended the Parks and Recreation Commission and most of the programs have increased in participation. Some of the adult programs have decreased in participation due to an increased interest in pickleball and the decision to change sports. She also participated in a CERT training and stated that it was well attended.

Councilmember Bott – enjoyed the Sweethearts Ball at the Academy Center and stated that the band was really good. He has been watching the eminent domain House Bill brought to his attention by Ms. Larsen and indicated that the ULCT vehemently opposes the bill.

Councilmember Olson – is looking forward to the Youth City Council Senior Center project at Bingo night.

Councilmember Farr – attended the Senior Council Advisory on Aging meeting. They discussed all the activities being planned by the Senior Center leading up to Bingo night.

Mayor Vincent – also attended the Sweethearts Ball and enjoyed seeing involvement from the community. He stated that he appreciates the citizens and their concerns, referring to Ms. Larsen and Mr. Dunbar's questions at a previous Council meeting in reference to particular House bills. The City Council watches for bills that impact Brigham City and discuss citizen's concerns with the Legislators. Mayor Vincent stated that Chief Bach will be retiring next month and expressed his appreciation for all of Chief Bach's accomplishments with the Fire Department. Mayor Vincent thanked Donna Pett and Jason Roberts for their work in the Mayor's office.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Consideration of Resolution Amending Special Event Permit Fees**

Mr. Roberts stated that a staff meeting was held after the special event season last year to discuss the process. The proposed changes to Exhibit A of the Resolution include clarifying language and fees that were not contained in the previous Resolution. Mr. Roberts explained that the City supports special events but wants to make sure the organizers cover the additional City costs they create by holding the special event.

Tyler Pugsley approached the table to address Councilmember Bott's question about traffic control. Traffic control set up includes advance warning and signage for special road and area closures, time and resources for set up and take down of barricades, etc. Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Roberts briefly explained the special event review process including staff review, fees and the requirement for liability coverage.

**MOTION:** A motion to approve the changes to the special event permit fees was made by Councilmember Bott, seconded by Councilmember Olson and carried unanimously.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Councilmember Troxell – aye

Councilmember Bott – aye

Councilmember Olson – aye

Councilmember Farr – aye

### **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to adjourn to a closed session to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property was made by Councilmember Bott and seconded by Councilmember Olson. A roll call vote was taken with all Councilmembers voting aye. The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 7:33 p.m.

The Council returned to an open meeting at 8:07 p.m. and adjourned.

*The undersigned duly appointed Recorder for Brigham City Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true, accurate and complete record of the February 20, 2020 City Council Meeting.*

*Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.*

*Christina Boss*

*Christina Boss, Recorder*