

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
OF GARDEN CITY, UTAH**

The Garden City Town Council held their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020, at the Garden City Lakeview Building located at 69 N. Paradise Parkway, Building C. Mayor Leonhardt opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Town Council Members present:

Mike Leonhardt, Mayor
Pat Argyle
Ken Hansen
Howard Pope
Jordan Parry

Others Present:

Kathy Hislop

Others via teleconference:

Glen Gillies
Mark Smoot
Rose Noorda
Tami Leonhardt
Leo Spuhler
Norm Mecham
Bobby Coray

Pledge of Allegiance And Prayer

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Leonhardt and the prayer was offered by Mayor Leonhardt.

Roll Call

Mayor Leonhardt asked for a roll call of Council Members present: Mayor Leonhardt, Council Member Argyle, Council Member Hansen, and Council Member Pope. Council Member Parry is excused.

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Quarterly Reports

Chamber Report

Mr. Smoot reported that they have been meeting with a small focus group via video conference meetings They have been trying to work with the different businesses in town to help with the issues created for the restaurant dinning area closures due to the coronavirus.

He encouraged all the Chamber Members to take ownership on how to deal with the situation and to be flexible. They all need to come up with ideas to mitigate the situation.

This has affected everyone, and we have 30-40 days to be ready for the summer season. We all need to be aware and appreciative of the public resources. We all need to brainstorm together to be prepared when the visitors come.

Ms. Noorda reported that the Chamber voted in a new President today, Mark Smoot. They are still trying to fill the Vice President position. They are working on a new website for the Chamber. The website should be completed within 30-60 days. She said that they are also re-writing the by-laws. She said that the Chamber is headed in a good direction.

Mayor Leonhardt said that the focus group has been a positive meeting to discuss the needs of the community.

Mr. Smoot said that the Board has worked hard to build bridges and be inclusive with the local community as well as the area's outside of Garden City. This will benefit the business community as well as the community as a whole.

Council Member Hansen said that there have been years that we have had a difficult beginning and he feels that we will have the same type of phenomenon when this virus is over. We could have a great season because of people traveling close to home.

Convention and Visitors Bureau Report

Ms. Leonhardt reported it is good to have the information from the Chamber. She said that they are getting the leads, but they are about ½ of the normal. She has received a lot of phone calls about campgrounds, which are open for camping.

Ms. Leonhardt said that they did a travel ad in the Deseret News. They are not doing advertising right now, just waiting to see what happens and what will be open. They are promoting "plan now and play later".

Mayor Leonhardt thanked the Chamber and the CVB for all their work. He said that this affects everyone. He said that we are still moving forward and planning for Raspberry Days.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the meetings held on March 12, 2020

Council Member Hansen made the motion to accept the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on March 12, 2020. Council Member Pope seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion Carried.

Concessionaire License Renewal Discussion/Approval

Leo's Bear Lake Water Adventures, request to renew the concessionaire license at 390 S. Bear Lake Blvd. Renting paddleboards and kayaks. Lakeside Park Beach. Leo Spuhler

Mr. Spuhler said that his business will not be doing anything different from last year.

Council Member Argyle made the motion to approve the concessionaire license for Leo's Bear Lake Water Adventures. Council Member Hansen seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

Short Term Rental License Discussion/Approval

Marlin Hoffmann, 861 Blackberry Rd, Vacasa

Mayor Leonhardt reported that Vacasa won't be doing any rentals for the month of April. This is just a request for approval for the short term rental license.

Council Member Argyle made the motion to approve the short term rental license for Marling Hoffman for Vacasa at 861 Blackberry Rd. Council Member Hansen seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

PUD Discussion/Approval

Waterdance PUD, request for phase 2 final plat discussion/approval, located at 185 S 100 W., Norm Mecham

Mayor Leonhardt explained that the Planning Commission approved this with the stipulation that everything was completed with the City Attorney. The response from Mr. Taite was that Mr. Mecham did have everything completed as far as his concerns. The correct plat with everything finished is the one that he turned in for the Town Council's review, there isn't a newer plat. Mr. Mecham said that he finished everything, but he will follow up with the Attorney to make sure that we have everything the way it is supposed to be.

Mr. Mecham said that he resolved the issue with the cul-de-sac, it is now 96' diameter.

Council Member Pope made the motion to accept the phase 2 final plat for Waterdance PUD. Council Member Parry seconded the motion. Council Member Hansen declared his conflict of interest and association with Mr. Mecham but retained his right to vote. A vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, abstained; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

Budget Review

Mayor Leonhardt said that we need to be very conservative this year, on the budget, until we figure out where we will be sitting for the next year. We need to be fiscally responsible.

Mayor Leonhardt explained that he would like the Council Members to take the budget report home and look it over, study it, and be ready for the tentative budget approval next month.

We've done some good projects over the past few years and finishing up some of the project with this years budget.

Miscellaneous items

Appoint Board Member to the Appeal Authority Board, John Spuhler

Mayor Leonhardt presented John Spuhler for appointment to the Appeal Authority.

Council Member Hansen made the motion to re-appoint John Spuhler to serve on the Appeals Authority. Council Member Argyle seconded the motion. A Vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

Council Member Pope said that he is a little worried about people coming in with the virus and bringing it to the community. He said that there are other communities that have asked tourist to stay out of their community for now.

Mayor Leonhardt said that we all have the same concerns, it's a balancing act. We don't want to get the virus, but how do we tell people that have a home here that they can't come. He said that it's not the order, it the enforcement of it. How do you enforce it? Do you stop them at the border? You can encourage them to follow the CDC guidelines. We need to do everything we can do to protect our families and the community. We physically can't stop people at the border.

The Council discussed at length how to keep the community safe. Mayor Leonhardt said that we have done and will do everything we can to mitigate everything we can.

Council Member Reports

Council Member Argyle reported that she needs more help with Raspberry Days. Things are coming together for Raspberry Days. They are working on the electricity in the park.

Council Member Hansen reported that the Library is closed down right now, but they are doing some things for the kids. The food pantry is still open and has been sanitized and they are doing everything they can to keep it opened.

Mayor Leonhardt reported that the extension of the bike path is going on right now. The County Commissioners would like to partner with Garden City to keep the bike path swept and cleaned off. We already partner with the county on a few things, so this will be a great option.

Council Member Hansen said that he spoke with Commission Member Cox and their intention is to continue with the bike path, eventually the bike path will go from state line to state line.

Council Member Parry said that the pool is closed, but the work inside is still going on to get it completed.

Council Member Pope said that there is money set aside for Garden City for the trails. We are working closely with the County Commissioners on the improvement of the trails.

Mayor Leonhardt said that the bids have been awarded for the run-away truck ramp. They will start the dirt work the end of April, to have the project completed in July.

Mayor Leonhardt said that the bid has probably been awarded for the traffic signal at the intersection. This should be completed by the end of June.

UDOT is still working on the turning lane projects, so the projects are still moving forward. They are still mitigating through the process of the entrance to the marina, but it is moving forward. We did submit a letter to the state requesting them to build a walking path over the highway to the marina. UDOT is looking into that request.

The Governors orders are to stay home and our number one goal with this is to make sure that our community members are safe through this.

Payment Vouchers

Council Member Argyle made the motion to pay the vouchers as presented. Council Member Parry seconded the motion. A Vote was taken: Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Council Member Argyle made the motion to adjourn the Town Council meeting at 6:45 p.m. Council Member Hansen seconded the motion. A vote was taken; Council Member Argyle, for; Council Member Hansen, for; Council Member Parry, for; Council Member Pope, for; Mayor Leonhardt, for. Motion carried.

APPROVAL:

Attest:

Michael Leonhardt, Mayor

Kathy Hislop, Recorder