

Mayfield Town Council Meeting

October 9 2019 (Recording #95)

Present at the meeting: (by roll call)

Malynda Bjerregaard - Council Member	Caitlin Watkins
Mike Bennett - Council Member	Karen Watkins
Aaron Peterson - Council Member	Alan Peterson
Eric Peterson - Council Member	Eldon Olsen
Catherine Bartholomew - Town Recorder	
Brandi Meyers - Maintenance	
Mayor John Christensen - Presiding	

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was offered.

Prayer was given by Aaron

Mayor Christensen called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Caitlin Watkins the daughter of David and Karen Watkins had been invited to the council meeting to honor her for being one of the winners of the Utah League of Cities and Towns Essay Contest. The council watched her video that told why she loves Mayfield. Mayor Christensen then presented Caitlin with a certificate and two show tickets/refreshments for the Casino Star Theater.

Eldon Olsen stated that Brandi Meyers is doing a great job with the Town water and is working really hard to learn everything needed .

Minutes for the month of September 2019 were presented to the council. After some discussion, a motion was made by Malynda to accept the minutes, seconded by Eric. (Roll Call Vote - Aaron - yes, Mike - yes, Malynda - yes, Eric - yes, John - yes).

Bills were presented for payment for the month of October 2019. After reviewing the bills motion was made by Mike to pay the bills, seconded by Eric, motion carried. (Roll Call vote - Mike - yes, Aaron - yes, Malynda - yes, Eric - yes, John - yes).

Brandi updated the council on our lead and copper sample reports. All the samples came back good.

Catherine stated that Doug Bjerregaard would like to start a meet and greet for older people in town. He would like to have it once a month at the town hall. The council felt like that would be a great idea and to have Doug move forward.

Catherine went over the budget and financial report with the council for the past quarter. She stated that we have a balance of \$351,053.10 as of September 30, 2019 in the town funds. That includes the first draw of approximately \$60,000 on our water project which we will receive back.

Malynda went over the letter she had put together concerning the mayor and councils responsibilities and a proposed pay increase for them. She wants to include the letter in the December water bills to inform the Mayfield residents on the planned increase.

She also went over the display that her Snow College class is putting together for our display cases at the town hall. She said that we can use the materials each year to teach the residents about backflow in our water system. She is going to have several members of her class take flyers and a special Halloween treat out around town to people to inform them about concerns of backflow. The cost will be about \$125.00 for her class to complete the project. After some discussion a motion was made by Aaron to pay for the cost, seconded by Eric. Motion carried.

Mike Bennett said he will work on getting a utility trailer for the town this next week.

The council discussed grave sites and the number of cremations in each grave that is allowed. After reviewing the ordinances we can have two cremations in one grave.

Catherine stated that Steve Anderson had talked to her about fixing the hole in front of the town hall when he has the new church parking lot paved. She also asked if they would fill in the two places in town that we had to cut the road to run a new water connection. We will need to cover the cost of the pavement.

The council talked about putting in a "No Outlet" sign up by Keith Larsen's home.

Mayor Christensen talked to the council about contracting with EcoLife to take care of the cemetery, park and town hall. He stated that he had talked to David Church from the League of Cities and Towns to see if we need to bid the job out if we contract with a company and he said we do not need to bid it out.

John talked about having EcoLife come up with an amount that they would be willing to work for the rest of this fiscal year, and then we would have time to come up with a final plan and contract. At that time we could talk about if we want to bid the job out.

Travis from EcoLife present a contract of services they would provide for \$44,000.00. They talked about snow removal, road repair, opening and closing of graves etc. He also stated that his company has a very good liability insurance policy. Brandi would be the person that would be in town to maintain the water system and water testing and to help when there are problems or things that need immediate attention. Travis said that he would like to get certified to be a water operate along with Brandi. After some discussion Travis stated that he would like to have an expandable three year contract to have time for things to improve in the town.

Mayor Christensen stated that his proposal is to counter his offer with what we have in our budget for the remaining of this year to pay for maintenance and then negotiate the next year at a later date. After some discussion a motion was made by Aaron to have EcoLife work for the amount remaining in the budget until June 2020 and at that time we will have a contract in place. Seconded by Malynda, motion carried.

Alan Peterson was concerned about the fence that is on town property on the canyon road by the old care center. He stated that it is a liability to the town.

Mayor Christensen talked about the dead tree at the park. He said that one bid was for \$1,800.00. Mike stated that the young men could cut down the tree for wood for the widows in the community. The council felt like that was a good idea.

Move to adjourn.