



MINUTES OF A VINEYARD CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Council Chambers
125 South Main Street, Vineyard, Utah
This meeting was also held electronically through Zoom
September 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Present

Mayor Julie Fullmer
Councilmember Tyce Flake
Councilmember Chris Judd
Councilmember Cristy Welsh

Absent

Councilmember John Earnest

Staff Present: City Manager Jacob McHargue, Public Works Director/City Engineer Don Overson, Assistant City Engineer Chris Wilson, City Attorney David Church, Community Development Director Morgan Brim, Planning Technician Briam Amaya Perez, Building Official George Reid, Water/Parks Manager Sullivan Love, City Recorder Pamela Spencer, Planning Commission Chair Anthony Jenkins, Planning Commissioners Amber Rasmussen and Jessica Welch

Others Speaking: Resident Dennis Frank, Youth Councilmember Holland Welch, Gavin Collier and Christian Kasteler with Dynamic Blending

6:00 PM REGULAR SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fullmer opened the meeting at 6:00 PM. Mayor Fullmer gave the invocation and Councilmember Flake led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Fullmer called for public comments.

Resident Dennis Frank asked about the completion dated for Penny Springs Park. City Manager Jacob McHargue explained that there were a few items left on the punch list. He said that they anticipated opening the park by next week. Mr. McHargue mentioned that there were still some items to be completed in the Sunset Beach Park. There was a discussion about the Penny Springs Park completion and social media notifications for the opening of the park.

Mayor Fullmer called for further comments. Hearing none, she closed the public comments session.

3. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS/DISCLOSURES/RECUSALS

No reports were given.

4. STAFF, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement – Planning Technician Briam Amaya Perez – Quarterly Report

Mr. Amaya Perez explained that data was taken from 2018 to 2020. He mentioned that the data for 2020 was limited because of a staff transition. He reviewed his report. Highlight were:

- Top Three Code Enforcement Concern Categories from 2018-2019
 1. Construction Activity: 37
 2. Stormwater: 28
 3. Parking: 25
- Top Three Code Enforcement Concern Categories in 2018
 1. Construction Activity: 20
 2. Stormwater: 6
 3. Business Licensing: 6
- Top Three Code Enforcement Concern Categories in 2019
 1. Stormwater 22
 2. Short-term Rentals: 16
 3. Construction Activity: 13
- Top Three Code Enforcement Concern Categories in 2020
 1. Parking: 9
 2. Other: 5
 3. Construction Activity: 4
 4. Occupancy: 4

Number of Code Enforcement Cases by Month from 2018-2020

Month	2018	2019	2020
January	0	5	2
February	1	1	0
March	4	12	0
April	1	7	1
May	3	11	2
June	1	2	30
July	3	9	0
August	6	11	0
September	5	9	0
October	11	15	0
November	1	1	0
December	5	5	0

Mr. Amaya Perez explained that the spring, summer and fall months were the busiest for code enforcement. He said that he received between 10 to 15 and five (5) to six (6) phone calls on code enforcement a day. He explained that there was a difference between complaints and actual code enforcement. He said that he tried to address citizen concerns within the same day or week that he receives them before they go into an official code enforcement violation.

Councilmember Judd asked about the increase in June. Mr. Brim replied that it was the backlog from before Mr. Amaya Perez started. There was a discussion about the code enforcement backlog.

Councilmember Flake said that he wanted to see how many complaints that came in versus how many went to actual code enforcement. Councilmember Welsh expressed concern about not enforcing the code and asked if they needed to hire a fulltime code enforcement officer. Mr. Brim felt that they would need to hire a fulltime code enforcement officer within the next couple of years. Mayor Fullmer asked them to make it so they could systematize things to notify new residents of the laws in the city.

Councilmember Judd thanked Mr. Amaya Perez for his time and efforts with code enforcement. Mr. Amaya Perez mentioned that the complaints that came to his email and phone each day was keeping in him busy. He felt that more could be done if he had more time.

City Manager Jacob McHargue – Mr. McHargue reported that the city would be participating in the United Way of Utah County Day of Caring event tomorrow morning in the City Council Chambers. He invited the city council to join. He mentioned that they would be making extra kits for the residents to pick at the city offices. He also reported that the city was in the process of hiring a new city engineer.

5. **CONSENT ITEMS**

5.1 Approval of the August 26, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Fullmer called for a motion.

Motion: COUNCILMEMBER FLAKE MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT ITEM. COUNCILMEMBER WELSH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR FULLMER, COUNCILMEMBERS FLAKE, JUDD, AND WELSH VOTED AYE. COUNCILMEMBER EARNEST WAS ABSENT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ONE ABSENT.

6. **MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS**

No names were submitted.

7. **DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

7.1 DISCUSSION – **City Attorney**

City Manager Jacob McHargue will present plans for conducting interviews for a city attorney.

Mayor Fullmer turned the time over to City Manager Jacob McHargue.

Mr. McHargue explained that staff had submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the city attorney and had received four responses. He asked the council if they would like to be included in the interview process. He mentioned that the attorney needed to be appointed the city council. Mayor Fullmer replied that she wanted to participate in the interviews.

Councilmember Flake said the while the items listed in the resumes were informative, but it was hard to differentiate one firm from another and wanted to hold interviews. Councilmember Judd also agreed. There was a discussion about the interview process. Councilmember Flake said that he wanted to meet the person that they would be working with. Mayor Fullmer felt that they should do private interviews and then set up a presentation at a council meeting.

Mayor Fullmer called for further questions. Hearing none, she closed the discussion item.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

8.1 ► DISCUSSION AND ACTION – NarcX

Youth Councilmember Holland Welch will present NarcX, a liquid prescription disposal product. The mayor and city council will take appropriate action.

Mayor Fullmer turned the time over to Youth Councilmember Holland Welch.

Ms. Welch explained that, as a member of the UServe Utah Youth Council, she had been tasked with a project that would positively impact the community. Her project focused on the epidemic opioid abuse. She said that while doing research for her project she was shocked to learn that 191 million opioid prescriptions were written for 11.6 billion pills, 3.3 billion of those pills went unused, and many of them found their way into the hands of abusers or those who sold them illegally. In Utah nearly 70 percent of overdose deaths were from opioids.

Ms. Welch felt that NarcX's products and services represented a true solution to disposing of unused prescription opioids. She said that she wanted to see NarcX receptacles placed in strategic places in Vineyard. She explained that she had had the opportunity to work with the CDC and was surprised to learn how important central effective communication was to them. She said that the role with the CDC played an important part in her being able to contribute to the public outreach part of the UServe program through effective public communication and education. She said felt that the CDC's STARCC (simple, timely, accurate, relevant, credible, and consistent) principles were a well-reasoned set of principles by which she would work when creating the messaging to be given to the public. She mentioned that the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) had a ready-made communications toolkit. She added that UServe will be launching a media campaign for Vineyard.

Ms. Welch said that the COVID-19 pandemic had increased drug abuse as well as overdose deaths, which added urgency to UServe's goals. She added that her focus would be on public outreach, communication, and education.

Mayor Fullmer turned the time over to Councilmember Welsh for further comments.

Councilmember Welsh explained that had become aware of NarcX through Gavin Collier, Chairman of NarcX, which came through Dynamic Blending. She asked that Mr. Collier and Christian Kasteler, Director of Research and Development and co-inventor of NarcX give an overview of the product.

Mr. Collier explained that they were able to create the formula in house and then sell it through a company called NarcX. He said that the product was the only method of onsite destruction of opioids and was validated through the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). He explained how they were able to create the formula to be compliant with federal regulations. He said that the testing done by the federal laboratory that proved that the product did make the opioid inert. and biodegradable.

Mr. Kasteler explained that this was a binary system that used known products. He said that the solution came in sizes from 6-ounces to 300-gallon totes. He said that the solution deactivates the drug and binds with it in a way that it cannot be released without high heat, which destroys the

drug. He said that the solution had bitterants, so it could not be used. He added that it was easy for everyone to use.

Mr. Collier mentioned that they had a video on their website at NarcX.com that people would watch. He said that they had worked with representatives Hutchins and Thatcher to get the Drug Disposal Act passed to help get the product in every home. He said that citizens were unknowingly the biggest distributors of drugs because they would leave unused drugs unattended. Their goal was to get NarcX bottles with every prescription to get the pills out of people's homes. They also wanted to put the receptacles in all the cities.

Councilmember Welsh felt that it would be good for people to see the video. She said that the city would be looking at putting a receptacle at the city offices. They also wanted to offer an option for citizens to purchase individual bottles. She also wanted bottles in every deputy's car. She mentioned that the receptacle needed to be where the deputies could keep an eye on it.

Mr. Collier said the people were ripping pill receptacles off the wall to get the pills. The good thing about the solution would be that the pills would be inert and not give them a high.

► Mr. McHargue said that he had spoken with Ms. Welch, Mayor Fullmer and Councilmember Welsh about getting some sponsors for the city to start this project. Mayor Fullmer asked if the council want to move forward with getting a receptacle. She said that they had been working with a hospital group from Lehi about a sponsorship. She was hoping to have Ms. Welch do a presentation proposal to a sponsor group or work within the homes of Vineyard to get a bottle into every home.

Councilmember Judd asked what the cost of the receptacle was. Mr. Collier replied that they were \$915.00 for the receptacle and \$63.12 for the 5-gallon container inside the receptacle. Councilmember Judd asked how many pounds of pills it would take to fill up a 5-gallon container. Mr. Collier replied that it could be anywhere from 5,000 to 7,000 pills, but it would depend on what type of pills were put in them. If people put their non-narcotic pills in the container, it would fill up faster. The idea was to use them for opioids, antibiotics, and other medication that could harm the environment. Mr. Kasteler added that a container could last three weeks to a month. Mr. Collier said that they were pushing for insurance companies to pay for the solution. There was a discussion about the NarcX product and how the process would work.

Councilmember Judd said that he was in favor of funding something at the city offices and having a certain number of individual bottles as kick off for awareness. Mr. Collier said the Riverton had given their police officers 6-ounce bottles to use at their discretion. Mayor Fullmer said that they were hoping to get partnerships with the hospitals to come up with coordination and do a presentation to Vineyard residents city. Mr. McHargue suggested that the city fund the one at city hall and then reach out to sponsors to provide options for residents.

Mr. Collier offered to have their public relations company help with publications and press releases.

Mayor Fullmer asked Councilmember Welsh and Mr. McHargue to work with Ms. Welch on the promotion of the product. She thanked Ms. Welch for her efforts and mentioned that Ms. Welch had presented this to Congressman McAdams and talked about what we were facing as a country.

8.2 DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Municipal Code Amendment Section 2.08 City Manager (Ordinance 2020-12)

(15 minutes)

The mayor and City Council will discuss proposed amendments to the city manager's duties. They will act to adopt (or deny) these amendment by Ordinance.

8.3 DISCUSSION – Amendments to the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual

(15 minutes)

Mayor and city council will discuss amendments to the City's Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.

Mayor Fullmer called for a motion to continues items 8.2 and 8.3.

Motion: Councilmember Flake moved to continue items 8.2 and 8.3. Councilmember Judd seconded the motion.

There was discussion about when to hold these discussions.

Amend Motion: COUNCILMEMBER FLAKE MOVED TO CONTINUE ITEMS 8.2 AND 8.3 TO THE FIRST MEETING IN OCTOBER. COUNCILMEMBER JUDD SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR FULLMER, COUNCILMEMBERS FLAKE, JUDD, AND WELSH VOTED AYE. COUNCILMEMBER EARNEST WAS ABSENT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ONE ABSENT.

9 CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held.

10 ADJOURNMENT

Motion: COUNCILMEMBER JUDD MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:07 PM. COUNCILMEMBER WELSH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR FULLMER, COUNCILMEMBERS FLAKE, JUDD, AND WELSH VOTED AYE. COUNCILMEMBER EARNEST WAS ABSENT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ONE ABSENT. 7:07 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is September 23, 2020.

MINUTES APPROVED ON: September 23, 2020

CERTIFIED CORRECT BY: /s/ Pamela Spencer

PAMELA SPENCER, CITY RECORDER