

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BLANDING CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
NOVEMBER 10, 2020
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present:

Mayor:

Joe B. Lyman

City Councilmembers:

Kd Perkins

Cheryl Bowers

Logan Monson

Robert Turk

Logan Shumway

City Finance Director:

Kim Palmer

City Police Chief:

JJ Bradford

City Community Development:

Bret Hosler

City Economic Development Specialist:

Pratt Redd

Others: Kendall Laws, Robert Ogle, Paul Rogers

Prayer/Thought - The prayer/thought was offered by Logan Shumway

1. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. **Councilmember Monson moved to approve the minutes and financial disbursements of the October 27, 2020 meeting. Councilmember Turk seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:**

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Shumway
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

3. OPEN FORUM

None

4. REPORTS/DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Kim Palmer presented October 2020 Water Report

Ms. Palmer asked if there were any questions regarding the October 2020 water report. There were none.

B. Chief Bradford presented the October 2020 Police Report

Chief Bradford reported that incidents were up from last year. The department is fully staffed and the newest officer, Officer Sanchez, is doing a great job.

C. Kim Palmer presented the October 2020 Recreation Report

Ms. Palmer asked if there were any questions regarding the recreation report. There were none. Girls basketball has been postponed for two weeks due to the recent Governor Covid mandate.

5. AGENDA

A. Resolution 11-10-2020-1 Appointing Blanding City Administrator - Mayor Lyman

Mayor Lyman stated that conversations were in progress regarding the appointment of a new City Administrator and no final decision was available.

B. Resolution 11-10-2020-2 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment - Kim Palmer

Ms. Palmer discussed the mid-year budget adjustments that were necessary in the capital projects and electric funds. Capital project adjustments include repairs for hail damage to the roof of the City office building and the already approved parking lot repavement project. Insurance funds were received for the roof repairs. A repair to an electric transformer is also requiring a budget adjustment in the electric fund. In addition, mid-year adjustments were also requested in employee salaries. Council requested additional information regarding the salary adjustments.

Councilmember Shumway moved to table Resolution 11-10-2020-2 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment until a later Council meeting. Councilmember Bowers seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Shumway
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

C. CARES - Act Distribution - Kim Palmer

Ms. Palmer shared information regarding the CARES-Act funding and asked for the Council's suggestions and approval of several items. Council expressed concern with some of the items and

also requested additional information on others. Ms. Palmer reminded Councilmembers that the funds would need to be spent by December 30 or would have to be returned. In conclusion, Council opted to continue the discussion regarding the use of CARES Act funds at the next Council meeting.

D. Resolution 11-10-2020-3 Appointing UAMPS Member Representative - Mayor Lyman

Councilmember Turk moved to approve Resolution 11-10-2020-3 Appointing UAMPS Member Representative. Terry Ekker will be the representative. Councilmember Monson seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Shumway
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

E. Resolution 1-10-2020-4 Enterprise Application Renewal - Pratt Redd

Councilmember Bowers moved to approve Resolution 1-10-2020-4 Enterprise Application Renewal. Councilmember Perkins seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Shumway
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

F. City Facility Use - Logan Monson/Cheryl Bowers

Council discussed the recent requests for use of the Wellness Center. Local churches and the college are unable to allow events or activities in their facilities due to the Covid pandemic. Currently, organizers of the yearly Christmas Fair are inquiring about the use of the facility for the event. Paul Rogers, representing event organizers, stated that event vendors' are willing to comply with health recommendations during the event.

Ms. Palmer stated that no special event request had been submitted to the City for the event. The event is tentatively scheduled for the first weekend in December. The mayor questioned the ability to host the event with the Governor's most recent gathering limitations.

Councilmember Perkins told those in attendance that the State of Utah has an event request form that should be completed. The request would then be approved by the health department with its guidelines.

The question was then raised regarding the City's position of liability in the event. Previously the City has provided the liability coverage. City Attorney Laws stated that if the event is housed on City property, the City should be part of the application process. Event organizers would be held accountable for enforcing guidelines. Further information will be sought regarding the application process and recommendations from the health department.

G. COVID - 19 - Government Mandates - Mayor Lyman

Attorney Laws told Council that the Department of Labor and OSHA will be enforcing the compliance of the mandates. They have stated that fines will be given to those not complying with the orders.

Councilmember Monson shared the recent activity by high school basketball players at the Wellness Center. Because the school can not allow these practices to take place in their gyms, players have come to the Wellness Center. Numbers in the gym have increased since the first of the week.

Councilmember Perkins shared that the County has been made aware and will be holding conversations with the school district regarding this issue. Attorney Laws told Council that to be safe, the City should contact the County Health Department for guidance and direction.

6. INFORMATION

Councilmember Perkins shared that a response from UDOT had been received regarding the request for a large crosswalk sign at 300 South and Main Street. The response stated that the location does not meet the warranted requirement and no sign will be placed. Additionally, the signage at Main Street and Center Street is currently on hold due to budget constraints at the state level.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Monson moved to adjourn. Councilmember Perkins seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Shumway
Councilmember Monson**

**Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Bowers**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

By: _____

Kim Palmer, Deputy Recorder