

**Genola City Council Meeting
August 12, 2020**

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Marty Larson, Councilmembers Neil Brown, Lori Christensen, Hale Robison and John Savage

Staff Present: Fire Chief William McMullin, Police Chief Rodney Hurst, City Recorder Lucinda Thomas, Legal Counsel Joshua Nielsen, Planning Commission Chair John Rosenberger and Minutes Secretary Brittany Thornton.

Citizens Present: Max & Gaylene Throckmorton,

7:00pm CALL TO ORDER:

1. Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Larson gave an opening prayer.

Police Chief Rodney Hurst led the pledge of allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes: July 8, 2020

Councilmember Savage made a **Motion** to approve the minutes of July 8, 2020.
Councilmember Brown **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

3. Expenditures: \$32,367.85
 - Anderson Law Center: \$4,862.50
 - Apparatus Equipment: \$735.53
 - Bankcard Center: \$1,512.38
 - Franson Civil Engineers: \$3,173.00
 - Intermountain Farmers: \$799.75
 - John Cowan: \$780.00
 - JUB: \$1,991.26
 - Rocky Mountain Power: \$1,103.43
 - Santaquin City: \$9,604.57
 - South Utah Valley Animal Shelter: \$2,148.34
 - Staker Parson: \$675.80
 - Utah State Treasurer: \$4,981.29

Councilmember Brown made a **Motion** to approve the expenditures in the amount of thirty-two thousand, three hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty-five cents (\$32,367.85)
Councilmember Christensen **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

Work order for the ADA access project 2020.

Councilmember Brown suggested and the council concurred with funneling traffic to the front door and adding parking on the north side of the building.

Councilmember Brown made **Motion** to approve work the work order with a modification to proposed parking lot map, showing parking spaces at a diagonal on the north side, no parking to the back and leaving the flagpole where it is.

Councilmember Savage **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

Reports:

Police Chief Rodney Hurst reported that 33 case numbers were pulled for the month of July, with 19 citations issued for 28 total offenses. Councilmember Brown asked about any negative ramifications from protests and Chief Hurst responded that they had not experienced anything out of the usual. Chief Hurst reported that they are writing a public ordinance to address permits for protests. Mayor Larson thanked the officers for the services they are providing and indicated he would not be in favor of any defunding of police. Chief Hurst thanked the council for their support. Councilmember Savage also voiced support and also thanked the fire department for their dedication to the community.

Fire Chief William McMullin reported a grant was awarded for radios that his department will be purchasing. Chief McMullin reported that a ladder was ordered last month and should arrive in October. Chief McMullin reported they assisted on 12 calls for the month of July. Councilmember Savage questioned if shooting is still occurring in the county and Chief McMullin reported there is still shooting that takes place near the dump.

Planning Commission Chair John Rosenberger gave an update on recent action taken by the Planning Commission. Chair Rosenberger reported on the Throckmorton subdivision being recommended for approval before they realized there is a master planned road that is supposed to go through the property.

Public Forum:

No public comments were heard.

Agenda Items:

1. Discussion and possible action on a preliminary plat for the Throckmorton Ranch Plat C Subdivision. Property is owned by Max & Gaylene Throckmorton and located at 172 S. Main Street.

Josh Nielsen spoke on the process being changed, which is why the Town Council is now seeing preliminary plats for subdivisions.

Mayor Larson reported this plat comes with a note from the Planning Commission that on 200 South there is a proposed road on the master plan. Mayor Larson indicated that the ordinance requires that proposed roads be constructed at the time of development.

Councilmember Brown reiterated that the ordinance states that the proposed road would have to be put in to develop the subdivision. Councilmember Brown stated that an adjoining property will cause an issue because there is not enough right-of-way to construct the road. Councilmember Brown indicated that the town is sympathetic to the issue this creates.

Mayor Larson pointed out that buildings within 200 feet aren't shown on the map, as well as the meter and shut off valve for Lot 2. Mr. Throckmorton requested this item be tabled to explore some options.

Councilmember Brown made a **Motion** to table the preliminary plat.
Councilmember Christensen **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

2. Discussion and possible action on proposals for the ADA access project for the public safety building with Franson Civil Engineers.

This item was discussed earlier as part of the change order.

3. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2020-08, the amended fee schedule.

Josh Nielsen indicated he had made the changes discussed last month involving the rodeo arena and fees charged. Councilmember Christensen suggested adding a fee for animals that are left over night, to recover the cost of watering those animals. Mr. Nielsen reported he believes this would be covered under an event agreement. Mr. Nielsen clarified that an event is something that people are charging for, either admission or an entry fee to those participating. Mr. Nielsen reported the only other related change had to do with development related fees and charging to post rezones in the newspaper.

Mr. Nielsen clarified he will be making three foot notes:

- Leaving animals requires a signed agreement.
- A deposit will be required to rent the arena.
- Event means charging a fee to spectators or participants.

Mr. Nielsen reported that the state auditor is asking for a copy of the town's most recent fees, and they will be given a copy of the town's most recent fee schedule.

The council concurred with continuing this item until next month.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the reimbursement for COVID related expenses.

Ms. Thomas reported that a bid was given for touchless faucets and dispensers for the town facilities. Councilmember Brown voiced concern on the maintenance that these touchless amenities would require.

Councilmember Brown suggested using these funds to improve the office to allow for more residents to be in the building at a time. Ms. Thomas commented on the records being kept in an uncontrolled environment. Ms. Thomas indicated that another person is needed to help out in the office. Ms. Thomas reported that she is working on bids for a sound system, which will spend a big portion of the money. Councilmember Christensen suggested getting a plan put together before next month on how to reconfigure the office space. Ms. Thomas reported that there will be a finding regarding the city not spending money and suggested that some of that money also be used for upgrading the office. Ms. Thomas reported that more tables and chairs can be purchased for public meetings. Discussion was held on the possibility of purchasing two pressure washers, one for the fire department and one to use to wash off public facilities within the town. Ms. Thomas reported that bleachers could be purchased at approximately

\$68,000.00 to allow for more spacing at sporting events. Mayor Larson suggested a list be sent out for the council to rank and send back.

5. Discussion and possible action on ratifying the purchase of a fire truck ladder for the amount of \$1,200.00, which was discussed in the Council comments of July 8, 2020 meeting.

Councilmember Brown made a **Motion** to ratify the approval of a fire truck ladder in the amount of \$1,200.00.

Councilmember Christensen **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Savage reported on the death of Marley Torengo in Goshen in an ATV accident. Councilmember Savage reported that a fundraiser will be held on September 11 & 12 which will be a softball tournament to raise money for her family.

Councilmember Savage reported that soccer will be starting the end of August. Councilmember Savage reported he is looking into purchasing bleachers and hopes to be able to report back on next month.

Councilmember Savage reported that he has also been working on some ideas for a culture center.

Councilmember Christensen reported on some grants she has found that could help with relocating the maintenance facility and the rodeo arena. Mr. Nielsen reported that this would be done by a local building authority that the councilmembers would be board members on. Councilmember Christensen commented on the two grants she is aware of and reported she will continue researching these and report back.

Councilmember Christensen commented on the possibility of natural gas coming to Genola and reported she had been working with Dominion Energy and there is money available through House Bill 422 that would help with these costs. The council concurred with pursuing this for the town. Ms. Thomas reported that the problem is that Genola is so spread out which increases the cost. Councilmember Brown suggested also getting Goshen on board, as this would help reduce the cost of getting the line to Genola.

ADJOURN:

Councilmember Brown made a **Motion** to adjourn.

Councilmember Savage **Seconded** and the motion **Passed** all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Minutes prepared by Minutes Secretary Brittany Thornton

Approved on: 10/14/2020


Lucinda Thomas, City Recorder