

HUNTINGTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
November 18, 2020

Huntington City Council met in its regular scheduled council meeting November 18, 2020 at the city office building located at 20 South Main Street. Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Leonard Norton presiding. Mayor Norton asked that there be order kept and everyone that spoke to use the microphone and established the following were in attendance:

Mayor:	Leonard Norton
Council:	David Emery, Tom Kay, Jerry Livingston, Lesa Miller, Gloria Wilson
Recorder:	Jenene Hansen
Treasurer:	Ronni Torre
PZ Administrator:	Gary Arrington
Public:	Robert Baker, Mike Gordon, Mandi Potter, Ridic Potter, Julie Johansen (ETV News)

Council member Livingston extended a word to open the meeting and Council member Kay led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Item 1. Public Comments (limit of 3 minutes)

None

Agenda Item 2. MOTION: Approval of October 21, 2020 City Council Minutes

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 21, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 3. MOTION: Business license

Caritas Charity Fund LLC is a real estate type business, the location will be at 170 North Main Street. **COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR CARITAS CHARITY FUND LLC; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER AND CARRIED.**

Agenda Item 4. Public Hearing on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO GO INTO PUBLIC HEARING; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON.

Mayor Norton read the following:

CDBG First Public Hearing Script

I, Leonard Norton, Mayor, open the public hearing for the CDBG program. The purpose of this public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2021 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefitting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Southeastern Utah region, which Huntington City is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$225,000.00 in total in this new program year.

All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual and interested persons can review it at any time. at jobs.utah.gov or by asking Triston Garvin for a manual at tgarkin@seualg.utah.gov. Several of the eligible activities listed are as follows, but are not limited to: construction of public works and facilities, water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters.

In the past, Huntington City has received funding for the 2008 park project that included the

skate park, splash pad, and the playground area. In 2019 Huntington City was granted \$34,030.00 for an ADA project at the City park and the Rodeo Grounds.

A copy of the regional “Consolidated Plan” is available on the SEUALG’s website at seualg.utah.gov. This identifies the needs of the communities and counties in our Region. Projects proposed to be funded by CDBG funds should be included on Huntington’s General Plan.

Anyone with questions, comments or suggestions during the hearing please identify yourself by name before you speak. The clerk will include your names in the minutes and we would like to specifically respond to your questions and suggestions during the hearing.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO GO OUT OF PUBLIC HEARING; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 5. MOTION: Resolution 26-2020 Enterprise zone

The Enterprise zone gives tax breaks and tax credits to businesses located in the Enterprise zone; it is a good thing to draw businesses. Our current Enterprise zone application is expiring and passing of this resolution is needed to reapply.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-2020 ENTERPRISE ZONE; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY - AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 6. MOTION: Multiple accounts on single water meter

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained that the account owner at 110 North Main street has two apartments and a business on one water meter; he is receiving three bills and asked about combining and lowering the bills. What I would like to do is merge to one billing with two residential waters and two residential sewers.

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO APPROVE COMBINING THE ACCOUNT; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KAY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY - AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 7. Code Book Title 5, Chapter 5 Fireworks

Zoning Administrator Gary Arrington explained that this chapter is out dated; since we have no way to enforce what is in the code now, we will change it to say according to state law. This chapter will be reviewed and brought back in December.

Agenda Item 8. Mayor’s Report

Mayor Norton reported that the concrete projects at 400 West and on Main Street will be worked on next week. Due to COVID restrictions the Christmas party will be a drive through event at the Fire Station. Watch for those in need and see if we can help them have a good holiday season.

Agenda Item 9. Departmental Reports (Fire department, Maintenance department)

Maintenance Dept: **Mike Gordon** told that they have been putting up the Christmas decorations and prepping vehicles for winter. **Animal Control:** **Robert Baker** reported that he went to court on one of

the tickets, we did win the case and it cost the resident \$550.00, the City still owns the dog until the fines are paid in full. The piglet's case and husky case did not show up in court.

Agenda Item 10. Youth City Council report

Mandi Oveson reported that candy has been ordered for the Christmas party and the Youth City Council will prepare and hand out an old fashion Christmas treat bag. Mayor Norton mentioned that he would like YCC to help with a CDBG Survey.

Agenda Item 11. Council's Reports

Council member Livingston reported that the patching on Center Street has been done. He followed up on the 400 West 400 North retaining wall project. He asked when to set up the nativity scene down at the park and it was decided to wait until after Thanksgiving. **Council member Wilson** reported that food has been ordered for Christmas party. Because of COVID the school kids will not be singing at the Christmas party. Rec Board meeting was cancelled, they are prepping for the Pickle ball courts.

Council member Emery reported that there have been two burials this month, the flower pots on Main Street are cleaned up, and a community service worker was helping with decorations. **Council member Miller** reported that the dog case for Jones was postponed. The Trunk or Treat at the rodeo grounds was a success. Two stalls were rented for horses by some people from Washington who were going to the swinging bridge; they may consider renting stalls in the future. **Council member Kay** thanked all for the Extractor at the fire station. Regional Fire School will be held in Huntington on April 24th. Bevan Collard will be the new training Officer for the fire department. There are now eight or nine fire fighters.

Agenda Item 12. Zoning Administrator Report

Zoning Administrator Gary Arrington reported that he has tagged seven cars on the East side that need to be moved, the tags seem to be working. The West side will be tagged after Thanksgiving; travel trailers won't be tagged. Update on the walking trail: The path is set and the ground is leveled, Nielson will do the trail and we are negotiating the giving of the side to the city so Nielson can do his fence and landscaping. The concrete going in is cheaper than concrete going on the sidewalk. We could have a continuation of the trail by the end of the month, weather permitting. Would like to get more grants to do more on the trail and sidewalks.

Agenda Item 13. MOTION: City Claims and Review of Financials

Treasurer Ronni Torre reported that the third installment of COVID money is being sent to the County. **COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO PAY THE BILLS; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY - AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.**

Agenda Item 14.

UPON PROPER MOTION AND FULL APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:08 P.M

Jenene Hansen, Huntington City Recorder

