

Gunnison City Council Public Hearing and Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 20, 2020, 7:00 PM
Gunnison City Hall, 38 West Center
Gunnison, UT 84634

Present: Mayor Lori Nay, Councilmembers: Robert Andersen, Shawn Crane, Stella Hill, Justen Mellor, and Rod Taylor, City Recorder Janell Braithwaite, Newly Hired Treasurer Steven Jenson, and citizens Blake Donaldson

Presiding: Mayor Lori Nay

Invocation: Councilmember Robert Andersen

Public Comment

No one in the audience requested public comment time.

Review Quote from PCS for City Hall Door System with Proposed Approval – Councilmember Crane

Mayor Nay wanted to start the meeting with a discussion of the quote from PCS about the City Hall door system. She asked City Recorder Janell Braithwaite to give that. It was mentioned that Councilmember Shawn Crane had the information on that. There had been issues and glitches with the North and South doors not working correctly for some time. PCS was called in to look at what would be needed to replace to make them operational.

PCS suggested that the solenoids on all three doors be replaced at the cost of \$3,475.00 and the software be updated because it crashed. The software would cost \$3,242.00 with a total of \$6,717.00. Recorder Janell gave several examples of the system not working and how the doors do not work correctly. \$14,800 currently in the budget for this and the doors and system has lasted since 2008. PCS installed the system and has updated it several times since. The Council requested to add batteries to help with the loss of power to the building.

Councilmember Robert Andersen made a motion for PCS to come and make the needed repairs to the solenoids as well as the update to the software and look at placing batteries as back up power to keep system up and running during a power outage. Councilmember Stella Hill seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Discuss 300 South Proposed Right of Way Adjustments with Cost Estimates and Proposed Approval – Mayor Nay

Mayor Nay had sent an email to the Council for a bid from Garrett Wildon to look at deeds for 300 South to 100 East for right of ways. It would cost the city \$4,300 and to complete the second block, from 100 East to 200 East would be an additional \$5,400. This would include the title changes and as well as the 10 legal descriptions, from landowner to city. This would be done as a one time thing. The landowners would be responsible to pay the survey fees. Councilmember Rod Taylor expressed concern that if the city paid for these to be done on 300 South now, it would set a precedent for others in the city to want it paid as well. Mayor Nay thought that it was the City's responsibility due to the City telling owners where to build.

Councilmember Taylor said that we do not tell them where to build just that we are telling them of the setbacks on where to build on the lot. The earlier surveys were not correct and have changed over the years in that citizens have put in fences within the easements that the City has. Councilmember Taylor asked the question that the City would be giving up 16 feet of road and paying the citizens on the north side of 300 South to adjust the right of way. He was not for it if that was the case.

Councilmember Stella Hill commented that when someone buys a lot within the City Limits and goes through everything needed to build and then to find out that it is incorrect that is not fair. The Council and the Mayor were in agreement that it is not in the best interest of the City to give up access to the right of way to the residents on the south side of 300 South to make things work. The consensus of the Council was to get more information and then see how this could be worked out to the benefit of everyone involved.

Update to City Clean Up – Councilmember Stella Hill

Councilmember Stella Hill was very complimentary to the Public Works Department in what they had done with the clean up of the Cemetery and the work on getting the sprinklers on Main Street working to prepare for Memorial Day. Public Works Manager Donald Childs had done a wonderful job in making sure that the clean up was taking place. All of the employees of the Public Works were doing the best in getting things ready for the Holiday. Unfortunately, the flowers would not be in due to the temperature being so cold and frost still happening. The dumpsters on the East and West side of town were already full and Donald needed to pack those down

before Whites Sanitation could come and dump them. Councilmember Robert Andersen complimented Stella on the hard work that he has been doing as well.

Update COVID-19 Report – City Response ~ Mayor Nay

Mayor Nay reported the City was in a low risk stage yellow with groups of 50 or lower and 6 feet of distance or face coverings if closer to each other. City Recreation was set to start for the summer. There was a discussion of the distancing recommendations for social distancing and it would be up to people to police themselves. Nate at the Public Health Department had mentioned regarding the latest updates on the COVID restrictions that there had been a lot of conversation about 4th of July celebrations. The Mayor mentioned it sounded like the Governor was going to change the status again to Green on June 15th. She felt that meant it was looking good for July 4th celebrations as well as other summer events. It was discussed that the city could go ahead and plan for events, knowing there may need to be some mitigation as the time got closer. The Pool was open, and no one was sure about the hours at that time, due to Pool Manager Matthew Reber not at the meeting. It was mentioned that there is a need to social distance of 6 feet on the deck but that there was not a needed distance with those in the pool. The parade for the 4th of July is still being organized.

Discuss and Proposed Approval of July 3rd Concert Contract – Mayor Lori Nay and Councilmember Shawn Crane

Councilmember Shawn Crane reported that the concert contract for the July 3rd concert was for Ryan Shaupe and the Rubber Band and is still on and needed approval from the Council to be signed. The band is local (Ogden, Utah) and there would not be an extra charge for them staying overnight.

Councilmember Shawn Crane made a motion to approve and sign the contract for Ryan Shaupe and the Rubber Band to perform at the July 3rd Concert. Councilmember Justen Mellor seconded the motion. The vote to the motion was unanimous.

Proposed Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, May 6, 2020

Councilmember Stella Hill commented that the City was still waiting on the pictures for the missing years of Miss Gunnison. It was mentioned that Kara Jensen who is the coordinator was the one to provide those and that they are framed as well to then be hung up or display. Councilmember Hill asked how future pictures would be displayed. Mayor Nay mentioned that there needs to be some shelving installed so the pictures could be slide on and moved easier then just hanging on the wall. Mayor Nay and Recorder Braithwaite commented that there was money in the budget to purchase the needed hardware to get the wall hangings done. Recorder Braithwaite said that there would not be a pageant this year due to the pandemic and the current Miss Gunnison would have a two-year term.

Councilmember Stella Hill made the motion to approve the city council meeting minutes for Wednesday, May 6, 2020. Councilmember Shawn Crane seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Proposed Approval of Bills and Adjustments

Councilmember Justen Mellor asked the question of if there was a way that certain supplies could be kept on hand instead of always going to the local businesses and spending extra time having to run to Richfield or other places to get a few parts or supplies. The sprinkler heads were used as an example. It was reported that the lawnmower hit the pop-up sprinklers at the cemetery and damaged 28 sprinkler heads. That was needed quickly in time for the holiday so that the cemetery was ready in time. It was mentioned by several on the council the need to have extra parts on hand so that time was not wasted in having to always take time away from having to travel to get one or two parts. Councilmember Hill asked about the payment of \$300 for sod and how much was obtained. Recorder Braithwaite reported that there were 25 graves that were covered by the sod to make the cemetery presentable for the holiday.

Councilmember Robert Andersen made the motion to approve the bills and adjustments. Councilmember Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

City Business and Future Items

Extension of Conditional Use Permit for ACT: Applied Composite Tehnology asked for an extension of the permit to install their solar project due to the pandemic and needing more time to have power poles set. It was suggested that the city should extend it to them due to it being helpful to the City in the economic development. Councilmember Taylor reminded the Council that it was hurtful

to the City in that revenue would be lost in the way of the power tax being less with ACT using less power by going to solar. The hope was that with the installation of solar to help them save money they would expand and then property tax would increase to help offset that later. It was decided by the Council by consensus that the permit should be extended.

Garbage Pick Up: Councilmember Mellor reported that work to continue to pick up garbage along the Riverwalk will continue and he was going to get with Jed Hansen the Fire Chief to schedule a time that the piles could be burned. The question was posed if the Fire Department would be able to burn weeds in the field next to Councilmember Crane's home. It could be used as a training opportunity.

Lawnmower: Councilmember Hill mentioned that she was talking to Donald and the need for a new lawnmower was requested due to the current one not cutting the grass. Councilmember Crane mentioned that hitting 20 sprinklers with the mower could be the reason for needing a new one. Councilmember Andersen said that he would investigate it and see what needed to be done.

July 4th: Councilmember Crane reported that he was going to have a meeting next week to decide the structure for the activities for the celebration for July 3rd and 4th. He also needed to start calling potential vendors for the 3rd and see what the city could have there. It was recommended that a map where everything will be located so there could be social distancing and safety measures in place.

Rec Center Sign Ups Little League: Councilmember Andersen reported that there will be sign ups for summer baseball and that can be done at City Hall in Centerfield as well as on their website. It is a good opportunity for families to get their kids out for the summer. If there are not enough children of a certain age group to field a team, there might be plans to combine different ages together or also have other cities combine so that there can be a team. A group text was suggested so that the word could go out to the community.

G Hill: Mayor Nay will be heading up to Salt Lake to participate in the review process. She is scheduled to be there at 10 am and will be given 5 minutes to present the plan of what is being proposed. She will talk about the non-motorized traffic to one panel and then go to another room and speak about the plan for the motorized traffic grant application. Being able to go and speak in person helps the City in the process of the grant to make it personal and gives a leg up.

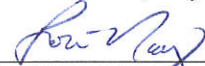
Adjourn

Councilmember Crane made the motion to adjourn. Councilmember Andersen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Adjourn



Steven Jenson, City Recorder



Lori Nay, Mayor



Approval Date