

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, March 4, 2021

5:00 p.m.

**Electronic meeting only broadcasted on YouTube
Helper, Utah 84526**

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Lenise Peterman

Council Members:

Donna Archuleta – Absent
Michelle Goldsmith
Gary Harwood
Malarie Matsuda
Amanda Wheeler

City Staff

City Recorder: Zack Tonic
Chief: Chris Gigliotti
Attorney: Dominique Kiahtipes

Citizens: Jean Boyack, Barry Horsley, Traci Bishop, and Kate Kilpatrick.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MARCH 4, 2021.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the minutes of March 4, 2021. Council Member Goldsmith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, and Matsuda, all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2021-3 STEVE GIACOLETTO'S OF PLOT AMENDMENT.

Tabled to next meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF KATE KILPATRICK-MILLER'S REQUEST TO CLOSE MAIN STREET FOR FIRST FRIDAY EVENT.

Kate Kilpatrick asked to close Main Street from Bug N Bird (52 South Main St.) to Depot Street for First Friday events, starting on April 10th 10 am to 3 pm. First Fridays will be working with the health department to help people feel more at ease. Resume regular

First Friday events starting May 7th to October 1st 2021, with events starting at 5 pm. Council Member Harwood informed Kate Kilpatrick the Helper City Fire Department is within the closure of Main Street and if there is an emergency the Fire Department will need to be able to cross Main Street. Kilpatrick responded that she will be working with the Fire Chief to make sure that it will not be an issue. Chris Gigliotti asked if a permit was needed to close Main Street. Council Member Harwood explained the section of Main Street being closed is city road and not state road.

Council Member Matsuda moved to approve the closing of Main Street for First Friday's. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ON LOCAL CONSENT TO SELL BEER FOR FIRST FRIDAY'S.

Kate Kilpatrick asked for Local Consent to sell beer, no wine on May 7th for first First Friday event of 2021. The Local Consent will be for May 7th only, to raise funds for the First Friday's events. Local Consent would be for a beer garden in City Hall parking lot. Council Member Matsuda inquired about insurance regarding the sale of beer. Kate Kilpatrick responded that she is working with Roy Nickas, on the insurance. The insurance for Local Consent will only cover First Friday's and will not cover local businesses that could also serve alcoholic beverages. Council Member Matsuda asked Kate Kilpatrick if servers in beer garden will have the appropriate licensing, Kate Kilpatrick responded yes.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the Local Consent beer license. Council Member Goldsmith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLAN.

Council Member Goldsmith moved to approve the Municipal Wastewater Plan. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF WAGE INCREASE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Mayor Peterman would like employee evaluations completed. Council Member Wheeler asked for evaluations to be completed by the end of April. Council Member Matsuda asked if the evaluations should be based on job description and job related education. Council Member Harwood voiced concerns about having separate evaluations and job related education. Council Members discussed how new hire employees will receive their evaluations. Council Members discussed how the existing employees be placed on the scale for the first evaluations. Police and Fire will be kept on a separate pay scale, but would like for evaluations to include the Police and Fire. Mayor Peterman added to the discussion, that the pay scale is also to help with budgeting for the next fiscal year. She asked to adopt a pay scale as the mechanism to give employee wage increases with.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the pay scale system approach for wage increases for city employees at the beginning of the 2021/2022 year. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Harwood, Matsuda, Goldsmith, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FERTILIZER FOR PARKS AND CEMETERY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,700.

Council Member Harwood informed the council about where the fertilizer will be used and the benefits of fertilizing.

Council Member Goldsmith moved to approve purchasing fertilizer in the amount of \$1700. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO ADD JANET ST. UNDERPASS RESTORATION FOR \$50,000 TO THE CIB PRIORITY LIST FOR 2021.

Mayor Peterman asked the council to consider adding Janet St. Underpass Restoration to the CIB list for consideration in the future. Also, stated the police cars are the priority on the list and the addition of Janet St. Underpass Restoration would be for future projects.

Council Member Matsuda moved to approve adding Janet St. Underpass Restoration to the CIB list. Council Member Goldsmith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ON ALLOWING KENNY DRIGGS A LIVING RV TRAILER AT THE RIO THEATER FOR 4 WEEKS WHILE DOING CONSTRUCTION.

Council Member Goldsmith asked for approval on allowing Kenny Driggs to park a RV trailer for 3 to 4 weeks. City ordinances allow RV parking for up to 14 days. Use of the RV trailer will be for a mix of office space and living space for out of town workers. Council Member Matsuda asked if the council could let Kenny Driggs's RV remain at the Rio Theater with special circumstance. Council Member Harwood expressed concern with allowing Driggs RV to stay longer than the City Ordinance allows. Council Member Wheeler asked if Driggs parking his RV at the Rio Theater was in the contract with West Coast Show Support. Mayor Peterman responded no it was not in the contract.

No Motion was made.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Members reported on various projects being worked on.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Council Member Wheeler moved to adjourn. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Goldsmith, Harwood, Matsuda, and Wheeler all voting yes.

I hereby certify that the fore going represents a true, accurate, and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, March 4, 2021


Lenise Peterman
Mayor


Zack Tonic
City Recorder

Approved on April 1st, 2021