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The City Council of Willard City met in **Regular Meeting**, on May 27, 2021, at 6:33 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Willard City Offices, located at 80 West 50 South, Willard, UT 84340.

Present: Kenneth Braegger, Mayor
John Seamons, Council Member
Brad Robb, Council Member
Kaleb Kunzler, Council Member
Fred Ward, Council Member

Excused: Josh Braegger, Council Member

Staff Present: Chris Davis, City Manager
Colt Mund, City Attorney
Theron Fielding, Police Chief
Bryce Wheelwright, City Planner
Michelle Snarr, City Recorder

Others in Attendance: Hal Johnson, Beth Holbrook, Megan Olsen, Kristy Boakenwicz, David Strunk, Joel Murray, Travis Mote, Diana Baker and Tyler Rasmussen

Call to Order

Mayor Braegger called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

- a. Invocation
The invocation was offered by Council Member Kunzler.
- b. Pledge of Allegiance

Open Comment Period (Individuals have three minutes for open comments. If required, items may be referred to department heads for resolution. Items requiring action by the City Council will be placed on the agenda for a future meeting.

Joel Murray – 1025 South 105 East

Mr. Joel Murray addressed the Council. He expressed concern with the dyer's woad in the area. He recalled the county used to put out bags and pay the children in the area \$10.00 per bag to pick the dyer's woad. He thought it would be a good idea to get some incentive to get the dyer's woad under control.

Travis Mote – 455 South 200 West

Mr. Travis Mote noted this Council meeting would be the third week they had a telecommunication company come and address the Council. He pointed out one company wanted to come into the City and underwrite the fiber and another company wanted to come in and take the risk and take the reward. He mentioned that 20 years ago, they were all on dial up; however, technology was advancing. It was his opinion if the City would underwrite the fiber, they would end up paying the bill. His suggestion was to stick with a private company and go with a company that would not put the City at risk.

Business

Consideration of Discussion Regarding People Speeding Through Granite Ridge Subdivision and Request for a Reduction of Speed from 25 mph to 15 mph – Megan Olsen

Ms. Megan Olsen addressed the Council. Ms. Olsen indicated two of her neighbors were in attendance as well in support of her and the matter. She explained they had talked to the Police Chief. She went on to explain, the way Granite Ridge was developed, 225 East, on the east side of the road, there are very steep driveways. She noted for adults, it was not a big deal. However, when they are talking about small children up to ten, it was a problem.

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She said she there are younger children, and they do not realize the danger. At times, they would jump on their bikes and shoot down the driveway and head out into the street before an adult could stop them. Ms. Olsen referred to an incident when a boy was going down (the street/driveway), and a truck was coming. If the truck would have been going 25 mph, they would have ended up with a different situation.

Ms. Olsen stated they understood that the 15-mph zone was less than a school zone. However, something needed to be done. She added that she had a video of a teenager running into boulders into her park strip. It was noted that state statute does not allow anything less than 25 mph other than a school zone. Mr. Mund added it was *prima facie*, the speed limit could not be anything less than 25. In addition, it would have to be accompanied by a traffic study.

Council Member Robb indicated he would like to hear the Police Chief's comments on the matter. Chief Fielding indicated it would require a traffic study, and all the studies had been done decades before; a residential zone was 25 mph. He said it would not be impossible, but it was his opinion it would be an uphill battle. In addition, there was not enough cars in the area to do a study. It was noted there were not any stop signs in the neighborhood.

Council Member Kunzler stated our hands might be tied. It was something they could investigate and see what it would take; however, it did not seem feasible.

Mayor Braegger indicated the City could install "Caution, Children at Play" signs. He went on to say he had this conversation at his home all the time. He went on to say, honestly, they are public streets for a reason. They have the right to do 25 mph. In addition, it was his thought the courts would not allow it to be heard unless it was 10 mph over the limit. He stated he knew it was hard with young ones. Mayor Braegger reiterated the City could look into the signs. He thought signage would be a good idea to try to encourage people and help remind them. He pointed out the City had other problems with speed issues, and the City was trying to work through those with different speed signs. He suggested the City could also send information out in the newsletter. In addition, he encouraged them as neighbors to talk to their neighbors.

Ms. Olsen explained they did talk to a neighbor, and the neighbor felt their argument was if the child was in the road, it would be a good learning lesson for everyone. She stated she was not in favor of someone dying. Mayor Braegger said no one wanted to be inconvenienced and with that being the case, he thought everyone needed to work with their neighbors. In addition, install the signs for Children at Play.

Ms. Olsen stated she was fully in favor of the Children at Play signs – especially in front of the park. She informed the Council they do not even have stop signs at the park intersection. She added when she talked to the Police Chief, and he was very good about listening.

Mayor Braegger indicated when you are on the side of the road, 25 mph seemed fast. He went on to say, I think we are all probably guilty; however, as a parent you are more aware. Sometimes, we get caught up in what we are trying to get done. He thought little reminders were probably a great way to go to address the situation.

Council Member Robb added he thought the Children at Play signs would be a benefit. Furthermore, Chief Fielding mentioned there was not any stops signs in the neighborhood. He indicated he would get with Mr. Thompson and talk about installing some stop signs. Chief Fielding informed the Council the speed sign may be able to be fixed. The speed sign is in Salt Lake City right now getting evaluated.

Mayor Braegger assured Ms. Olsen the Council was not insensitive to the issue but there was only so much they could do. Ms. Olsen indicated she thought the signs and the extra patrol would help. She went on to say, she knew the 15 mph would be stretch, but she wanted to get the issue before the Council, and she believed the issue would

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get bigger as the neighborhood was developed.

Council Member Ward suggested it might be a good idea to be a little firmer with the children. He went on to say he grew up on Highway 89, and his parents were firm with him, and he learned quickly. Ms. Olsen expressed they were constantly yelling at the children. Mr. Strunk stated times were different and people address their children differently.

Mayor Braegger stated the Council would continue to move forward and work on the situation. Chief Fielding added the Police Department was more than willing to go up and talk to their neighbors with them.

Presentation by Tyler Rasmussen, Strata Communications, Regarding Fiber Optics for Willard City

Mr. Tyler Rasmussen, Strata Communications, addressed the Council. He presented a PowerPoint presentation, attached herewith to the packet material. Mr. Rasmussen informed the Council Strata had been in business for over 70 years, and it was the largest telecommunications company in the state of Utah. He noted they are three times larger than UTOPIA and over the last 12 to 18 months, they have received a variety of request from other cities.

He addressed why municipal broadband was important. He stated that fiber base connectivity was important and there were many communities that feel their existing providers do not meet their needs. He said more cities are looking at fiber as a critical infrastructure. He added that Strata brought numerous ways to help a city.

Mr. Rasmussen discussed some key components of Strata: the flexibility, the ability to design/construct, an option for ownership (unlike UTOPIA), after the network was paid for, the City could own it, ownership and control, and the City would have multiple accesses. Mr. Rasmussen indicated the network would be a hybrid network, which was the most cost effective and have a delay up to 2.5 gigabits. He said their proposal was for one (1) ISP, and they could act as the ISP, or they could just be a network operator.

Mr. Rasmussen reiterated the City could be the owner. The City could fund the construction and in the end the asset would be the City's. The City could hire Strata to be the network operation for a five-year term and after that term, the City could fire Strata. He went on to say, the retailer offers the ISP, and the consumer would interact with their ISP. The city does not really have any interaction with the consumer.

Mr. Rasmussen indicated a second option would be for Strata to be the owner if the city does not want to own the network. What they were suggesting was to deploy fiber network to every home in Willard City. Strata would bear the financial burden. The City may grant easements, tax abatements, etc. He went on to say, to help them determine rates, they have an opt in tool. They can carve the City up into zones, and they could identify areas where the greatest demand was.

Mr. Rasmussen explained they did an estimate for Willard City, and there would need to be 750 locations under the first model, which was the utility model – City owned option. He went on to explain some cities are choosing to do a utility-based model and every model would get a basic web function. He pointed out this model would cost more because they would be dropping fiber to every home.

Mr. Rasmussen went on to discuss the subscription model, which would get built to the curb, and they would only be providing fiber to homes that requested the service. He pointed out the City would need to about a 38 percent subscription rate and the fee would be \$67.50 per month.

Mr. Rasmussen indicated those costs were based on assumptions. Those assumptions were a 30-year bond at 2-percent interest. He added it would be approximately an 18-month construction period. The residential service

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would be \$65.00 for 250 megabits and \$75.00 for one (1) gigabyte. He stated this was very competitive with UTOPIA. Mr. Rasmussen broke down the fees and monthly costs under the utility model and subscription model.

Mr. Rasmussen discussed the 18-month construction timeline. He noted their costs were based on micro-trenching, and they would cut about 1.5-inch by 18-inch slot in the road and place the conduit. He added they use a minimum of 12 inches of fill to go back over it with crack seal. Mayor Braegger expressed concern with them micro-trenching in Willard due to the rocky nature of the ground. Mr. Rasmussen indicated he was confident in what they could do.

John, Mr. Rasmussen's associate, explained why they utilize those specifications. He explained the micro-trench technique would break up the rock and sometimes it would pull up the rock. He stated it was faster and the preferred method; however, they do have their trenching machines as well. Mr. Rasmussen added with the demand of fiber, they have their own construction crew of 50. He said they do have a lot of experience doing this. They had laid 10,000 fiber locations in the Uinta basin.

Discussion followed regarding network design. Mr. Rasmussen indicated when they designed for small communities, they designed for build out. It was not in their interest to undersize a network. He stated they would first design with extra empty conduit and then design the cabinets for growth and sizing, so they did not have to rebuild in another seven years.

Mayor Braegger pointed out Mr. Rasmussen shared the costs with the Council if the City owned the network; however, what would the costs be if Strata owned the network? Would it be the same rate? Mr. Rasmussen indicated the key difference was it was difficult to have open access. However, he was not taking it off the table. They would be working close with the city to help them eliminate those costs. Mr. Rasmussen stated if they saw an overwhelming demand, it could be open access, and they may not even choose to be an ISP. He said they wanted the City to tailor the situation to their preferences.

Council Member Kunzler stated he appreciated Mr. Rasmussen's detail; he had a good understanding of the topic.

Consideration of Discussion and Approval of the Expenditure of Funds to Explore a Secondary Water System for Willard City

Mr. Davis informed the Council that Council Member Seamons and he have had discussion regarding secondary water. In addition, they had a good conversation with Chris Breinholt. They believed secondary water was a critical need. Mr. Davis went on to say one of the things Council Member Seamons had looked at was the firm out of Logan – Franson Civil Engineering. The initial quote from Franson Engineering was \$10,000 to \$15,000 for a request for information. At this point, staff would like to find out if the Council would like to approve approximately \$15,000 for engineering to find out what it could do so they could look at the potential of secondary water.

Mr. Davis explained Ben Quick, Executive Director of Pineview Water, got back with Mayor Braegger, and Pineview was aware of the shares the city owned. However, some of those shares are committed to the cemetery. Pineview was currently going through an audit to determine what was available. They have done an audit on the south side of Pineview, but not on the north side. They are waiting for cooperation from the Bureau of Reclamation. Mr. Quick believed there was a significant amount of water available. Pineview required 2-acre feet per house or 3-acre feet for a park or cemetery.

Council Member Kunzler asked for clarification on what was being proposed. Council Member Seamons indicated they were wanting the approval to prepare an RFQ for secondary water; what do they have to put

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together to make secondary water work, and the question was, was the Council interested in secondary water. Council Member Kunzler said he thought it was a very worthwhile proposal. He went on to say he thought they needed it in the future but not today – ten years down the road.

Council Member Ward referred to South Willard. He pointed out quite a few citizens wanted a pressurized system, and they got one with Pineview. It was his thought, each homeowner that wanted the pressurized system was assessed approximately \$750.00. He suggested it might be something the developers should look into. To him, it would be a fortune to do a secondary system in the middle of town.

Council Member Seamons pointed out he thought the contractors had already committed to the installation of secondary water in the new areas. Mayor Braegger stated they had to have a plan in place. They needed to commit and spend money to see if they could come up with a design for their community. He went on to say, after Council Member Seamons raised the awareness of how much of our drinking water goes into the ground (during the summer months), one month of watering in the summer could provide for a year's worth of water.

Council Member Robb clarified they would be looking for quotes to provide the service. It was indicated that was correct. In addition, Jones and Associates said they may want to put together a proposal.

Mr. Davis informed the Council that Brigham City and Perry City was looking into a more regionalize grant for secondary water, and based on what Jones and Associates said, the broader the scale, the more likelihood it was to be funded. Council Member Ward stated he would be interested to see what the cost would be just to Willard City. He said there was secondary water; it was just not being utilized.

Council Member Seamons said the question was, do we want to move ahead of with an RFQ. Council Member Kunzler indicated yes; he thought they should go through the RFQ process to see the cost. He could not see a downside.

Motion: Council Member Kunzler direct staff to move forward with an RFQ to explore a secondary water system. Council Member Seamons seconded the motion. Members voting aye: Council Members Kunzler, Robb, Seamons, and Ward. Members voting nay. None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Braegger was not present for the vote.

Discussion Regarding Proposed Water Impact Fees, Fred Philpot, Lewis, Young, Robertson & Burningham, Inc.

Mr. Fred Philpot, Lewis, Young, Robertson & Burningham, Inc., addressed the Council and provided them with a handout (General Impact Fee Discussion & 2021 Culinary Water Impact Fee Update), attached herewith to the packet material. He explained his presentation was an update to the presentation he gave previously. Mr. Philpot referred to slide 16 of his handout, Future Facilities: Source, which was the source component. There was a total of six (6) projects (Project No. 2, 3, 6, 17, 18 & 19) with a 2020 cost of \$7,257,543.

Mr. Philpot stated the City were looking at more development than anticipate, and as a result, projects had been added to the analysis. They were looking at Projects 20 and 21 being added to the equation due to the increase of development. He explained from an impact fee standpoint, they looked at the City's level of service, and if it was insufficient, they would look for more capacity.

Mr. Philpot referred to slide 22, which illustrated the cost break down. The impact fee cost per ERU was \$6,361. He noted that he highlighted the proposed financing cost, which were zero. They did not include any financing because there may be reimbursement agreements in place. He pointed out impact fees could be used to repay

those reimbursement agreements. He went on to say alternative financing methods could be utilized and that could be an element, which would be brought in and increase the cost per ERU.

Mr. Philpot explained the difference between the existing impact fee and the new impact fee, which was higher. The reason being there was a much higher growth impact and as a result, the City would be paying for new infrastructure. In the existing impact fee, the City had a buy in but there was a change in status, and they made a modification. In addition, the previous study was pretty old, it was completed in 2002. He noted with smaller entities, there was a base cost regardless of size; it was born over a smaller scale.

Mr. Philpot stated from this point, they would prepare for an adoption phase with the revised impact fees. They would go through the public hearing process, and the City could go below the proposed amount; but they could not go over the amount. He added, if the City chose to adopt the increase, there was a 90 day waiting period, which was designed to help the development that was already in planning.

Mayor Braegger inquired how Willard City compared with other communities. Mr. Philpot said Willard City would be similar to other small communities. However, it would all depend on the community. He explained that a community that was focused on new infrastructure was usually higher rather than historic costs.

Mr. Philpot indicated he would work with Mr. Davis to get noticing completed for the public hearing to present the same information and then hear public input. He noted there would be an update on other impact fees; they were still working on those.

Discussion Regarding a Proposed Utah Transit Authority (UTA) Agreement with Willard City for Infrastructure in the UIC Corridor

Mr. Davis informed the Council this was an agreement they had not previously seen; a few people have spent more than a year working on it. He went on to say, they had seen various reiterations of it and there are a few references to the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT). However, by July that would no longer be a concern because there was an indication that the Utah Transit Authority (UTA) would be purchasing that corridor. He stated the proposed agreement was unlike the UDOT agreement; this agreement was far more flexible. He added that Mr. Mund had reviewed the agreement; in addition, UTA had similar agreements with other communities.

Mr. Davis inquired if there were concerns that needed to be address or if there were questions the Council had. He expressed the agreement was not for approval at this time; they were waiting for the transaction to be finalized. He added they had received an updated sewer cost from the contractor that would be putting in the sewer line.

Council Member Ward questioned why UTA was so involved. Mr. Davis said UTA was making an investment he did not think he would ever see, which required rooftops and a lot of money. They want to make sure the City's sewer and water lines are not going to affect their operation in the future.

Council Member Ward referred to Article 4 of the agreement, UTA would be involved in inspecting and approving the line and could impose more stringent requirements. He said he viewed that as when the City was in the middle of completing the project, if the contractor got hit with more stringent requirements, the City would be assessed the additional cost. He thought UTA should step up and pay for any additional costs.

Council Member Kunzler disagreed. He noted there would be certain minimum requirements for a water or sewer line and if the minimum were not good enough, they would need to do something additional. He indicated he did

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not foresee it being a mid-project change. It would all be in the scoping of the project. It was not going to be a surprise to the City. In addition, it was going to ensure the safety of a future rail line.

Council Member Ward said that was not how he read the agreement. He read it as the process was already approved and signed and it would be an additional cost. He thought UTA should pay for the additional cost.

Mayor Braegger expressed how he viewed the agreement. UTA was going to review the plan before construction. They would go into the agreement with everyone on board. He added there was always a contingency, and if they required something extra, it was for their protection as much as it was for theirs. He went on to say, they do not want to replace something due to neglect. Council Member Ward's opinion was the contractor always bid that fluff to back it up to protect them, and he thought the engineers were good enough to design the system. Mayor Braegger stated he did not care what project they would have, there was always a change in the project. It just happens. Things were always found underground, and it caused changes in a project.

Mr. Brent Baily, EK Bailey, indicated they were going to be asked to run lines along the tracks and there would be certain requirements, i.e. no steel casing under the tracks.

Trustee Beth Holbrook, UTA, addressed the Council, and she indicated they would be happy to answer and questions. She introduced Mr. Hal Johnson, with UTA as well. She explained a unique element to this particular location was to run pipe parallel to the tracks rather than to go under their tracks, which was a greater risk for exposure, such as collapse. She went on to say they want to install the right pipe at the right place. They have no intentions of coming in and saying you buried a pipe, and it was wrong; they don't want to do that. Council Member Ward said he hoped they did not see the time where UTA was making major changes.

Mr. Johnson explained the right-of-way they were acquiring was usually 66-feet wide. He went on to explain the plan was to push to eastern side of the corridor so there was the least potential of impact. He noted they only have one other situation where there was a parallel line with a track. If the water line failed, it could undermine the track. It was pointed out the easement was on the east side of the track. It was inquired how far the easement would run. It was explained the easement was from the South Willard limits to the edge of Box Elder County.

Mayor Braegger stated he appreciated UTA willingness to work with City, and they were grateful to get some cooperation. Council Member Seamons clarified if the anticipated the purchase of the corridor by July. Trustee Holbrook noted that everything was going along. She went on to say, once they have a contractual agreement, the item would have to go before their local advisory board; they review it, and then it would go before the UTA Board. She said if the local authority board approved it and the paperwork had been reviewed, July looked realistic. Mr. Davis added, at that point, they would finalize this document, and once the documents were finalized, staff would bring it back to the Council for approval.

Council Member Ward inquired, in 50 years, would Willard City own the sewer/water lines and would it still have to be an easement. Trustee Holbrook stated the easement would be in perpetuity.

Consideration of Review and Approval of Pay Request No. 3 in the Amount of \$128,787.98 to Allied Underground Technology for the Granite Ridge Upper Pressure Zone Water Line Project

Motion: Council Member Ward moved to approve Pay Request No. 3 in the Amount of \$128,787.98 to Allied Underground Technology for the Granite Ridge Upper Pressure Zone Water Line Project. Council Member Robb seconded the motion. Members voting aye: Council Members Kunzler, Robb, Seamons and Ward. Council Member voting nay: none. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Braegger was not present for the vote.

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Planning Commission

There were no Planning Commission agenda item presented.

Approval of Minutes

May 13, 2021

Motion: Council Member Seamons moved to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of May 13, 2021, as presented. Council Member Kunzler seconded the motion. Members voting aye: Council Members Kunzler, Robb, Seamons, and Ward. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Braegger was not present for the vote.

Financial

- 1) Warrants
- 2) Vouchers
- 3) Purchase

The Warrants and Vouchers were presented to the Council for review. The items were reviewed individually.

Department Reports

Maintenance Department

It was noted the fence at the Historical Cemetery was fix. Mayor Braegger pointed out there may be an issue with someone crossing over the cemetery with a four-wheeler. Chief Fielding indicated he would watch for that issue.

Police Department

Chief Fielding indicated that he previously informed the Council the speed trailer was down in Salt Lake City getting evaluated to be fixed. In addition, he received a copy of the prices for the mobile signs. Chief Fielding noted that Mr. Fifield was paying for two of the signs; however, the City would pay for the solar panels. Mr. Davis added that Zach Burk said the City could get two mobile signs utilizing UDOT funds. Council Member Kunzler clarified the signs had Bluetooth capability. Chief Fielding acknowledge they did.

Fire Department

Mayor Braegger indicated the Chief Mund wanted to make sure the Council was still okay with the expenditure of \$8,000 they spent on fireworks. It was agreed the expenditure was authorized and in the budget.

Council Member Reports

Brad Robb

Council Member Robb informed the Council that the bathrooms at the nature park were going to have an additional cost. The one thing they did not think about was the partitions in the stalls. He stated it was a substantial cost – approximately \$8,000. He added they had one partition, and they were waiting on two others. Council Member Robb went on to point out that on the east side of the restroom, they were going to need to do some concrete work. Mayor Braegger added they needed to do a bench, and they talked about a flagpole. He said in the meantime, they could coordinate the bench, the concrete work, and the flagpole. Mayor Braegger indicated he had been thinking about a location for the flagpole where it could be seen from anywhere someone was in the park. He suggested the west berm of the pond, and they would have to put solar lights on it.

Josh Braegger

Council Member Braegger was not present at the meeting.

Fred Ward

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Council Member Ward pointed out the RV Park was looking nice. He went on to say he would like to suggest that the comments he made earlier, be put it in the newsletter.

John Seamons

Council Member Seamons said a couple weeks ago, he had an opportunity to speak to someone in the Haskell Subdivision. He inquired if anyone knew what the HOA agreement was with the Haskell Subdivision. The Council discussed items they knew about the HOA. There was a minimum fee per month. Mr. Haskell was promising a lot of things; however, the City fell short of not securing funds. There was supposed to be the red barn and horse stalls. Council Member Seamons said the induvial told him that the HOA had expired in May of 2020, which would have been an approximate 20-year life span. Council Member Seamons indicated he would like to know if there was any truth to the matter. Mr. Mund indicated the HOA might be recorded with the County Recorder's office. Council Member Seamons questioned where that left everyone and what was going on with the open space; who was responsible and owned the open space? Mr. Mund pointed out the City's previous ordinance specified the City could come in and assess the property owners accordingly.

Council Member Seasons questioned if the matter was real. Mr. Davis indicated they would have to look into it. Council Member Seamons inquired if it was real, was the City protected with the other HOA agreements. Mr. Mund stated he did not know what the other agreements said. However, some of the agreements over the last five or six years, specify if there was a default, it would be a breach of contract.

Kaleb Kunzler

Council Member Kunzler noted the Council heard from three potential fiber networks. He was curious what the other Council Members thought. He expressed his preference was to Connex because what they would offer the City's citizens at the lowest cost. In addition, it would put all the risk on Connex. To him, that seems like the most prudent and the best benefit to the City. Council Member Ward agreed; that was his favorite one too.

Council Member Seamons indicated he would like to see a comparison of the two. Mayor Braegger expressed he had a concern with Strata in regard to the micro trenching. In addition, he was not in favor of putting fiber in at the City's risk. It was pointed out that Connex was going to drop in overhead fiber in the certain areas. Micro trenching where there was large rock was not a good option to Mayor Braegger. He said he knew it was narrow mined, but it seems they were putting themselves at risk. He added, it became a huge thing when they would be digging, and he would like for them to keep that in mind.

Council Member Robb indicated he was not interested in a bond or City owned fiber. In addition, the problem with Strata was if they did not own the network, they would be the only ISP. Council Member Kunzler pointed out with Connex, they had existing cost structure. It would be much more tolerable for our citizens, and their cost was about one-third of Strata.

Mayor Bragger stated he thought the City needed to get bids from both of companies. Mayor Braegger indicated they would have Mr. Davis contact both companies and have them provide proposals. The City was not bonding or buying a network. He went on to say, if they need a piece of land, that was fine, but we are not going to finance the network. Council Member Robb added it seemed liked Connex's timeframe was a lot faster.

Mayor's General Correspondence and Information

Mayor Braegger reported the 4th of July events would be here at this park in the early morning. He went on to say the fireworks, skydivers and flag ceremony would be at the nature park. He added, they are still looking for volunteers to help with events. If anyone would like to volunteer, they could contact the Ross'. He indicated the Fire Department was going to do more with the food; Friday night they will do the pull-pork sandwiches, hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream sandwiches and popsicles.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Davis thanked Mrs. Bear and the cub scouts for planting the flowers at City Halls. He informed the Council the City's Code was now available online; however, it does indicate it is under legal review. After they give the code back after legal review, staff would work on revising the code and updating it. After that update, ultimately, the City Council would pass that code as the new code.

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Discussion followed regarding water fees. Mr. Davis reminded the Council they wanted to do something with the water fees, and he inquired if the Council wanted to have a work session.

Council Member Ward said they needed to increase the minimum rate and reduce the minimum usage. Council Member Kunzler stated he was sensitive to the base rate, but he did not have a problem with lowering the usage rate. He would be supportive of that. Mayor Braegger added he thought they should reduce the usage enough so people realized there was a cost to use culinary water and raise awareness.

Mr. Davis inquired if the Council wanted to do one or both.

Mayor Braegger suggested that maybe they should reduce the minimum and then look at raising the rates.

Ms. Snarr informed the Council the individual from Rural Water emailed her the day before, and she sent the required information to her to have a water rate analysis completed. Mr. Davis informed the Council it was not something the City had to go with; it would probably give the City some recommendations. It was thought the Council should wait until the City received the water rate analysis to have a work session.

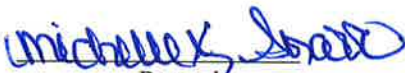
Consideration of Motion to Enter a Closed Session (if necessary) pursuant to UCA §52-4-205 (a) except as provided in Subsection (3), discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; (b) strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining; (c) strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; (d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares (e) strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares; (f) discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems; or (g) investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.

There was no closed session conducted during the May 27, 2021, meeting.

Adjourn

With no further business coming before the Council at this time, Council Member Robb moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Kunzler seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Minutes were read individually and approved on: June 10, 2021


Recorder


Mayor