

HUNTINGTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 18, 2021

Huntington City Council met in its regular scheduled council meeting August 18, 2021 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 (excused), Lesa Miller (excused), Gloria Wilson
Recorder:	Jenene Hansen
Treasurer:	Ronni Torre
PZ Administrator:	Gary Arrington
Maintenance:	Mike Gordon
Animal Control Officer:	Robert Baker

Council member Emery 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 July 21, 2021 City Council Minutes

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE JULY 21, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 3. MOTION: Business license

Business license application for Enchanted Rocks and Gifts to be located at 115 North Main.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR ENCHANTED ROCKS AND GIFTS; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED.

Business license application for High Country Coatings to be located at 315 West 400 South.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR HIGH COUNTRY COATINGS; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KAY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 4. PUBLIC HEARING: Open and adjust the FY 2022 budget

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

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained that we are making adjustments because we received the AARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) money, and there are also other expenses that have come up.

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 9-2021 Adjusting FY 2022 Budget

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 9-2021; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KAY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Adjusted agenda to do item #11

Agenda Item 11. MOTION: Donation for Emery Rodeo Team, Wicked Witches and Hope Lodge Cancer

Hope Lodge Cancer is taking over for Relay for Life, this is on our donation list.

Stacy McElprang asked for a donation for Wicked Witches and reported that they are planning to do a light parade and other events on October 1st; she also asked for the annual donation for the Emery Rodeo Team.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE A \$150.00 DONATION EACH FOR, THE EMERY RODEO TEAM, WICKED WITCHES AND HOPE LODGE CANCER; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KAY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 6. MOTION: Sidewalk bids – Avilla and Bucannon

Mayor Norton presented the bids from Buchanan Development and Los Aviles, LLC., for sidewalk projects; **Zoning Administrator Gary Arrington** explained that the bid for Los Aviles will go up a little bit because of some existing concrete that needs to be pulled.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE SIDEWALK BID FOR LOS AVILES, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,440.00; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 7. MOTION: Change in City Council time for Annual Meeting Schedules

Mayor Norton reported that there is talk of possibly changing the time of City Council Meetings. This would need to be done before making our annual meeting schedule.
TABLED FOR MORE DISCUSSION.

Agenda Item 8. MOTION: Purchase a new groomer for Rodeo Grounds

Models and specs prices from Black Widow Arena Drags was presented; this is located in Richfield.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO PURCHASE THE NEW GROOMER FOR \$6600.00; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 9. MOTION: Purchase Salt Spreader

Mayor Norton presented an invoice from Semi Service for a new salt spreader, the funds will come out of BC Road funds.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO PURCHASE THE SALT SPREADER FROM SEMI SERVICE FOR \$6,388.26; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 10. MOTION: Wage increase for Crossing Guards

Mayor Norton asked for a motion to approve a \$1.00 hour wage increase for the Crossing Guards.

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO APPROVE THE \$1.00 INCREASE FOR THE CROSSING GUARDS; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 12. MOTION: Ordinance 4-2021 Animal Control

Mayor Norton explained that there is still some review that needs to be done on the Animal Control ordinance.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 12 AND 13; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 13. MOTION: Code Book Title 5, Chapter 2-Animal Control

TABLED

Agenda Item 14. MOTION: Perpetual Care Fund Balance

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained that when switching software from the old system to Pelorus, \$58,310.12 of Perpetual Care was put in the General Fund. As recommended by the Auditor, we need approval to transfer the \$58,310.12 from the General Fund to Perpetual Care.

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY APPROVED THE \$58,000.00 TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE PERPETUAL CARE FUND; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 15. Discussion of (ARPA) Funds American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Mayor Norton explained that we received our first deposit of the ARPA Funds, it's \$114,000. We have contacted the Utah League of Cities and Towns to find out what this money can be used for. The money can be used for anything COVID related, infrastructure, water, sewer improvements, broadband. We are going to talk with Castle Valley Special Service District about a sewer project, another thought is putting in sewer lines from BK's to 400 East, or storm drains and road repairs. There will be another deposit of \$114,000.00 and we can also apply to the State to get more funds.

Agenda Item 16. Discussion to upgrade meter reading system from MVRs to FC software

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained that on December 31st the hand-held used to read meters will no longer be supported. They are changing software and with the new update it will cost \$2,675.00, currently it takes two and a half days to read meters. With the new collection system, the meter reader will have a tablet with maps showing the meters. The employee reading meters will be able to complete the job in around three hours. The cost for the new system is approximately \$14,000.00. We will also be looking at other options. Using Charrington Firm to collect on past due accounts was also mentioned.

Agenda Item 17. Mayor's Report

Mayor Norton reported that the cement work at the Lions Park has been completed. We are looking into lighting and possibly doing a pickle ball court and volley ball court. The city is working with Emery Medical Center to set up drug screen testing for pre-employees or anyone involved in an accident. Asphalt has been laid on 400 South 300 South 200 West. Curb and gutter and patching are also being done. Mayor commended the Fire Department for their help at the Rhino mine after the flash flood; in August, we will do a barbeque for their appreciation.

Agenda Item 18. Departmental Reports (Fire department, Maintenance department)

Maintenance Dept.: Mike Gordon reported on the Little League Field by 100 East. Tires were replaced on the backhoe; they are prepping for the cement project down by the motel.

Animal Control: Robert Baker reported that things have been calm with dogs. Kids starting back to school and aggressive dogs by the Post Office and school area was also discussed.

Agenda Item 19. Youth City Council report

NONE

Agenda Item 20. Council's Reports

Council member Kay reported that at the Fire Station, there was problems with the doors; the keypad was replaced, the security program was updated and the County updated the internet system. The turbo in the 2006 Brush truck was replaced, truck inspections are done. Still working on getting the leaks fixed at the fire station. Barbecue will be 6:00 on August 31st. In Planning and Zoning Don Gordon was sworn in as a new member. **Council member Emery** reported that there were only two burials in the last three months. A community service worker has been helping with a brick wall at the cemetery. We got two benches donated for the cemetery and they are pink. The employee hired to water flowers has been terminated. **Council member Wilson** reported that she has information for a volley ball pit and the cement at the Lions Park looks good. She attended Rec Board in Green River, they are planning a tournament at the complex and some lights have been replaced at the complex.

Agenda Item 21. Zoning Administrator Report

Zoning Administrator Gary Arrington reported there was a public hearing in Planning and Zoning to discuss rezoning; two people showed up with questions and concerns. Planning and Zoning will continue to work on the Residential Zones.

Agenda Item 22. MOTION: City Claims and Review of Financials

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO PAY THE BILLS; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – AYE, COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON – AYE.

Agenda Item 23. Adjournment

UPON PROPER MOTION AND FULL APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:19 P.M.

Jenene Hansen,
Huntington City Recorder