

HUNTINGTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 15, 2021

Huntington City Council met in its regular scheduled council meeting September 15, 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, Lesa Miller, Gloria Wilson
Recorder:	Jenene Hansen
Treasurer:	Ronni Torre
PZ Administrator:	Gary Arrington
Maintenance:	Mike Gordon
Animal Control Officer:	Robert Baker

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

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

Chantelle Kay 364 North 400 West reported that while walking around in the evening she and her husband were chased by some dogs. **Lon Arnold** asked, when dog problems should be reported.

Agenda Item 2. MOTION: Approval of August 18, 2021 City Council Minutes

COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 18, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 3. MOTION: Business license

Business license application for Sydney Bean Photography is a home business that will do photography at different events.

COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE LICENSE FOR SYDNEY BEAN PHOTOGRAPHY; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 4. MOTION: Resolution 10-2021 Cancellation of 2021 Municipal Election

Recorder Jenene Hansen explained that the number of candidates does not exceed the number of open municipal positions up for election and there was no write ins. Therefore, the election will be cancelled, which will save the city money.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-2021 CANCELLATION OF 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION; 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 5. MOTION: Resolution 11-2021 Amending the Huntington City Purchasing Policy

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained that after reviewing the Purchasing Policy, changes were made so that when ordering specialty equipment where competition is limited, we don't need to advertise or get multiple bids. The minimum amount in purchases not requiring bids or city council approval was increased from \$2000. to \$5000.

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 11-2021 AMENDING THE HUNTINGTON CITY PURCHASING POLICY; 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 6. MOTION: Purchase of equipment trailer

Bids from Big Bubba's Trailers and Ace Auto & Trailer sales were presented; after a discussion about supporting a local business and the donations that Ace Auto Trailer Sales gives for our Heritage Days celebration it was decided to go with the higher Bid and purchase the trailer from Ace Auto & Trailer Sales.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO PURCHASE THE TRAILER FROM ACE AUTO & TRAILER SALES; 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 7. MOTION: Sidewalks and approaches

Council member Livingston said that we have a bid of approximately \$48,000.00 to install four or five approaches and nine sidewalk repairs. There is another bid pending, both bids will be from local contractors.

COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE GOING WITH THE LOWEST BID; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON 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 8. MOTION: Ordinance 4-2021 Animal Control

Council member Miller explained that ordinance 4-2021 has additions and changes on Animal Control. Some changes are the addition of Excessive Noise/Nuisance Barking in the definition section. Service Animal was also added to the definition section.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 4-2021 ANIMAL CONTROL; 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 9. MOTION: Code Book Title 5, Chapter 2-Animal Control

With the passing of code book Title 5, Chapter 2 we will move on to the next chapter.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO PASS CODE BOOK TITLE 5 CHAPTER 2-ANIMAL CONTROL; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON. 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 10. MOTION: Discussion of Project with (ARPA) Funds American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Mayor Norton reported that we will receive \$228,000. AARPA Funds; we have presented some sewer and culinary projects to (CVSSD) Castle Valley Special Service District. We have 5 miles of old culinary water pipe made out of asbestos cement that is at the top by the inversion; this would be called the Stump Flats Water Line Project. (ULCT) Utah League of Cities and Towns suggested going with the replacement of the culinary water pipe; which has a cost of \$1,500,000. The final application for matching funds has been submitted and it will give us \$456,000., we are still short on funding so we could go to CIB or CVSSD could go to CIB for more money. There is a possibility that Rural Utah could get more AARPA money. The problem is that the CVSSD support letter states that the construction needs to begin in 2022.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE STUMP FLATS WATER LINE PROJECT; 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 11. Discussion on Christmas party

Christmas party at the Fire Station was planned; it will be a drive through event and the menu will be a sloppy joe, cookie and chips.

Agenda Item 12. MOTION: Transfer parcel #1-177B-44 to Steven Kinder

There is a small portion of property by Kinders at 395 North 400 West, that somehow got in the cities name. There is curb and sidewalk and no reason for the city to take care of the property.

COUNCIL MEMBER LIVINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF PARCEL #1-177B-44 TO STEVEN KINDER; 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 13. MOTION: Discussion to upgrade meter reading system from MVRS to FC software

Treasurer Ronni Torre presented the cost for the new meter reading software. Our old meter reader is ten years old and is not working at this time, all maintenance and support ends December 31, 2021.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE NEW METER READING SYSTEM FROM HYDRO SPECIALTIES COMPANY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,673.75; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY 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. Mayor's Report

Mayor Norton complimented the city for doing well with the water usage. Project on South end of town is completed. Annual meeting time has been discussed and there are pros and cons. Canyon View cheerleaders will help with the Halloween parade.

Agenda Item 15. Departmental Reports (Fire department, Maintenance department)

Fire Department: Fire Chief Chase Majors Thanked the City Council for the appreciation barbeque. Reported that they are finishing up on bids and ordering the equipment with the CDBG Grant funds.

Agenda Item 16. Youth City Council report

NONE

Agenda Item 17. Council's Reports

Council member Livingston reported on the approaches, sidewalks and the cement projects. **Council member Wilson** asked about the city clock getting fixed. At Rec. Board they showed the improvements at Bear Creek Camp ground. **Council member Emery** reported that he set the frame for the banner. There are two community workers to help remove flowers. Issues with the water truck. Three graves this month. Sebring got approval from state road to put rock on Hwy 10, re-moved a tree on main street. **Council member Miller** reported on the roping and reception at the arena, anyone using the Black Widow groomer has to be trained by Robert, cement at loading shoot is done. **Council member Kay** reported that Pioneer Roofing fixed the leak on the fire station roof. At water board meeting they discussed how you can tell if a farmer is stealing water. LEPC showed the video on the flash flood at Gentry Mining. COVID is on the rise.

Agenda Item 18. Zoning Administrator Report

Zoning Administrator Gary Arrington reported that on the South end of town the cement on the east side is done and the west side will be poured on Friday. Handicap ramps have been engineered for 400 South, and curb has been put in to give it a finished look. Most of the Zoning clearances have been for accessory buildings. Emery County Planning & Zoning Chairman just approved another Solar farm to go east of Castle Dale, these will bring in three to four million dollars a year in property taxes.

Agenda Item 19. MOTION: City Claims and Review of Financials

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERY MOVED TO PAY THE BILLS; 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 20. Adjournment

UPON PROPER MOTION AND FULL APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.

Jenene Hansen,
Huntington City Recorder