

Meeting of the Castle Dale City Council
20 South 100 East, Castle Dale, UT 84513
October 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.

In attendance:

Danny Van Wagoner	Mayor	Present
Joel Dorsch	Council Member	Present
Julie Johansen	Council Member	Present
Brad Giles	Council Member	Present
Jordan Leonard	Council Member	Present
Adriana Chimaras	Council Member	Present
Ignacio Arrien	Maintenance Supervisor	Excused
Britni Moreno	Fire Chief	Present
Duston Hague	Animal Control Officer	Excused
Jefferson Manning	Code Enforcement	Present
Lael White	Recorder	Present
Jackie Collard	Treasurer	Present
Kerry Lake	Land Use Administrator	Present

Also present were Ted Allen, Mike Jorgensen, Janet Giles, Laurel Weaver, Danny Whiteleather, Misit Christiansen, Amanda Leonard, and Darshell Leroy.

Mayor Van Wagoner welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7:00 pm

Mayor Van Wagoner led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Johansen made a change in one of the titles in the minutes.
Councilmember Johansen moved to approve the minutes of Sept 9, 2021 as amended.
Councilmember Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Joe's Valley Festival

Amanda Leonard reported on the Joe's Valley Bouldering Festival. She said the City workers did a great job getting the venue ready. There were 300 registered attendees, and at least 200 more came. The stands at the Rodeo were filled. The Festival had added events this year including a Fishing Event at Joe's Valley Reservoir. Yeti is a new sponsor. The Festival has a nationwide and worldwide impact. She estimates that it brought \$60,000 to \$70,000 revenue into the community.

High School Rodeo

Councilmember Dorsch reported on the High School Rodeo. He said the participants did a good job cleaning up, and parking wasn't a problem. The City Workers made sure everything was prepared, Dorsch was given a belt buckle in recognition of his service.

Dorsch was disappointed by a Facebook post by a Councilmember questioning his integrity. The Councilmember said it wasn't about him, but was about the City Council bragging about donations to events. She does not want to keep track of donations. Other Council members said it was fiscally responsible to know what we were donating to events, and the City was keeping track of it because there was an accusation that Castle Dale didn't donate to the community.

Meter Reading Software

Treasurer Jackie Collard stated that the City needed new Meter Reading Software, and a new device, which will be a tablet, and will give much more information than the present reader. The present reader is no longer supported by the company. The software will be about \$2,675, and the Device about \$13,000.

Councilmember Chimaras moved to approve the purchase of the software for reading meters.. Councilmember Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Next month the Council will vote on approval for the new meter reading device.

Covid Leave Policy

Mayor Van Wagoner began a discussion on a Covid Leave Policy. Southeastern Utah Health Department recommends leave of seven day from the beginning of Covid symptoms. This would be leave with pay, and would be calendar days, not work days. Councilmember Giles wanted this to apply only to vaccinated employees. They discussed if this would apply for quarantine also.

Councilmember Giles moved to approve granting paid leave to employees for seven day starting the first day of symptoms or quarantine. There must be a confirmed positive test.

Councilmember Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Cross Connection Ordinance

Mayor Van Wagoner introduced the ordinance that the state wants the City to approve.

Councilmember Giles said we had an ordinance on this already. He disagreed with it, and said it would set a precedent we did not want.

Councilmember Giles moved to table the Ordinance until November. Councilmember Leonard seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Donation to Hope Squad

Fire Chief Britney Moreno said there is a program with the Price City Police Department that provides Mental Health services for First Responders. It is named What's Your 20? They cover Carbon and Emery Counties.

We need this program because First Responders are put in difficult situations and see things that other people do not see.

The Price City Police Department is doing a Fundraiser. Moreno is asking the City to donate to this Fundraiser.

Councilmember Leonard moved to donate \$200 to What's Your 20? Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Amendment to Fire Department Constitution

Chief Moreno said this amendment would bring Castle Dale's Constitution more in line with the Nation Firefighters. Our Firefighters must have the trust of the community. This amendment makes the disciplinary process more clear.

The Council read and discussed the amendment. They made changes about the use of alcohol or other substances. The Firefighter will not respond if they have used alcohol or other legal substances. There is already in place language about illegal substances.

Councilmember Chimaras moved to approve the amendment with the mentioned changes.. Councilmember Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Fire Report

The Fire Department has changed their training meeting to weekly meetings that will be shorter, with a new topic each week. The Utah Fire and Rescue Academy does one training each month. Other city's departments have come to the training. They are now requiring PT (physical training) so the firefighters are in shape.

On Oct 30 the Department will do a Spook Alley at 5:30, and maybe a Trunk or Treat.

The Winter Fire School is in January

Land Use Committee

Kerry Lake: We had our regular meeting. We discussed Bert Peacock's property. He wants to divide his lot and build a new home. The Committee gave him advice. He will come back to another meeting.

Animal Control

Duston was not at the meeting.

Code Enforcement

Jefferson Manning reported on the two households that were watering with culinary water. He talked to them, and they have stopped. He contacted the home on 300 E on Oct 8. The owner who is out of town will clean up the yard as soon as he can. Manning will be talking to people about their travel trailers parked on the road.

Maintenance Report

Maintenance Supervisor Ignacio Arrien was excused

The doctor recommended surgery for Seth Smith. He will return to work in January or February.

Treasurer and Recorder Reports

Treasurer Jackie Collard reported on donations. She also reported sales tax, transient room tax and transportation tax compared to last year.

Recorder Lael White reported on a new business licenses for Jam Walls.

Council Reports

Councilmember Adriana Chimaras said it was a pleasure to work with Britney Moreno and the

Fire Department. She is working on the Main Street Committee.

Councilmember Johansen reported that Christy Gasser bought a building on Main Street, and is hoping to develop a business in it.

Councilmember Leonard said that there will be an Audit Committee meeting next Monday.

Councilmember Dorsch wanted to thank the High School for the infield dirt from their baseball field. It will be used on the City's ballfields.

Mayor Van Wagoner gave a list of assignments to Councilmembers. Some have changed.

Brad Giles: CBSSD, Economic Development, Sidewalks, Storm Drains, Street and lights, Water.

Joel Dorsch: Celebrations, Cemetery, Decorations, Fairgrounds/Arena, Maintenance, Parks
Weeds, Promotion.

Julie Johansen: Beautification, Planning and Zoning, Historic Preservation, Animal Control,
Code Enforcement.

Jordan Leonard: Christmas Party, Economic Vitality-Main Street Committee, Emergency
Response, Youth City Council, Economic Development, Audit Committee.

Adriana Chimaras: Christmas Party, Economic Vitality-Main Street Committee, Signage, Block
Grants, Fire Department.

Councilmember Giles moved to pay the bills. Councilmember Leonard seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Johansen, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Councilmember Giles moved to go into executive session. Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Leonard, Chimaras, and Giles.

Nays: None

Approved November 11, 2021
