



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Blanding City Office, 50 W 100 S, Blanding Utah 84511

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Present:

City Mayor:

City Councilmembers:

Joe B. Lyman

Kd Perkins

Robert Turk

Logan Monson

Cheryl Bowers

Kellen Nielson

City Manager:

David S. Johnson

City Finance Director:

Kim Palmer

City Engineer:

Terry Ekker

City Community Development Director:

Bret Hosler

City Recreation Director:

David Palmer

City Police Chief:

JJ Bradford

Others: Paul Murdock, Erik Grover

Prayer/Thought - The prayer/thought was offered by Kim Palmer

Declaration of Conflict: None

1. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. **Councilmember Bowers moved to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2021 meeting and consent agenda. Councilmember Turk seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:**

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Nielson**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

No comments

REPORTS

1. Mayor - None

2. City Council - None

3. Administration

City Manager, David Johnson reported that an additional grant for \$40,000 has been submitted to the Division of Drinking Water.

4. Staff

a. Accounts Payable/Finance Report - Kim Palmer

Councilmember Bowers asked for information about the repairs completed on the City bucket truck. Staff responded with information about the repairs.

Ms. Palmer shared information about the recent election. The certification of the recent election would need to take place no later than the 16th. A meeting will be scheduled.

b. Water Report - Terry Ekker

Mr. Ekker reported that the City crew had been working for over 18 hours to repair a water leak. One property owner has been affected by the leak.

c. Recreation Report - David Palmer

Mr. Palmer told Council that girls basketball was underway and registrations for boys basketball were taking place.

d. Police Report - Chief Bradford

When asked about the many trailers parked on side streets, Chief Bradford responded that he is currently reviewing the code for what fines can be issued. Service calls are down compared to last year due to the extensive work officers are completing on other time consuming cases.

Discussion Items

1. Zoning Changes & Planning Commission Recommendations - Bret Hosler

In a discussion about zoning changes being recommended by the Planning Commission, Mr. Hosler told Council that the changes were necessary to bring code into compliance with State law. The change will allow for more housing to be constructed on lots not currently allowed.

Councilmember Monson asked if any recommended changes were more strict than what is required. Mr. Hosler responded that the changes meet the state requirements. City Manager Dave Johnson stated that in his opinion the zoning is too relaxed and would be considered a loophole by other Cities.

Council also briefly discussed commercial zoning areas. It was recommended that the changes be brought back as a business item to be approved to move to public hearing.

2. Recreation Project Funding - David Johnson, Kim Palmer

Mr. Johnson reviewed the staff report included in the packet. Quotes on several projects listed were several months old and would need to be updated. Councilmember Monson shared that the quote he had received for the shade structures was only guaranteed for 15 days. The current supply chain issues are pushing costs upwards on available materials.

As Council discussed the Wellness Center showers, Councilmember Bowers asked if the City's insurance would cancel if showers were not installed. Mr. Johnson's reply was that the insurance would likely not cancel, but may not pay in the event of a claim. It was also noted that the requirement for showers is a health department requirement.

Several options were discussed about the infield dirt replacement at Centennial Park. Council also the Central Park pavilion.

Council asked Mr. Johnson to move forward with bids and information on the infield dirt project, Central Park pavilion, Wellness Center showers and fire suppression system.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Resolution 11-9-2021-1 Power Project Award - Terry Ekker

Mr. Ekker told Council that the Westwater power project is already \$100,000 over budget and the completion date has been pushed back to May 1st. Supply chain issues are having an impact on the project's start date. Cache Valley Electric will be completing the work.

Councilmember Monson moved to approve Resolution 11-9-2021-1 Power Project Award. Councilmember Nielson seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Nielson**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

2. Resolution 11-9-2021-2 Windscape Reimbursement Agreement - Terry Ekker

Mr. Ekker explained that the resolution will formalize an agreement made in 2019. The agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney. The City will pay the full amount and then bill UNHS for their portion.

Councilmember Perkins moved to approve Resolution 11-9-2021-2 Windscape Reimbursement Agreement. Councilmember Nielson seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Nielson**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

3. Resolution 11-09-2021-3 County Redistricting Letter - David Johnson

Councilmember Bowers reported on the previous County Commission meeting. During the redistricting discussion Commissioner Adams suggested that Blanding City have a map drawn and submitted to the Commission. The map drawing would be time consuming and difficult to complete in such a short period of time. The map currently being proposed splits Blanding in two-ways. However, Chapters are left intact. Councilmember Bowers also reported that Alex Goble, Assistant County Attorney told the County mapmaker that five maps would be necessary. Any approved redistricting would be in place for 10 years before it could be re-evaluated with the next census.

Councilmember Bowers moved to approve Resolution 11-9-2021-3 County Redistricting Letter. Councilmember Turk seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Nielson**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Perkins moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Nielson seconded the motion. Mayor Lyman repeated the motion and asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote. Voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE

**Councilmember Perkins
Councilmember Bowers
Councilmember Monson
Councilmember Turk
Councilmember Nielson**

Those voting NAY

NONE

Constituting all members thereof, Mayor Lyman declared the motion carried.

Council adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

By: _____
Kim Palmer, Deputy Recorder

Audio: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSGTu9DXR48>