

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:30 P.M. ELECTRONIC MEETING

DECEMBER 14, 2021

Council Present: Wilford Conetah, Larry Dye, Dakota Bruns, Jim Dieter, "Chipper" Michael Fenn
Absent:
Mayor Present: Mayor Kathleen Cooper
Recorder Present: Kalecia Fowler
Visitors: Alan Allred

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 P.M.

MOTION: LARRY DYE MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 9, 2021 MINUTES AS READ. JIM DIETER SECONDED. WILFORD CONETAH VOTED AYE. JIM DIETER VOTED AYE. DAKOTA BRUNS VOTED AYE. LARRY DYE VOTED AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Cooper asked if there were any public comments for this meeting. There were no additional comments.

2021 ANNUAL OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT TRAINING

Mayor Cooper stated we will hold this at the end of our council meeting.

Mayor Cooper asked Kalecia if we had to do this tonight. Kalecia stated she is required to make sure that this training is held annually. Usually, she sends out reminders every January, but this January was missed. Mayor Cooper stated we will do this next month after the new council has been sworn in and we will all take the training then.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON JUB ENGINEERING FUNDING OPPORTUNITY – CHRIS THOMSEN

Mayor Cooper stated to let the record reflect that Chipper Fenn is now present. Mayor Cooper turned the time over to Chris Thomsen from JUB Engineering. Chris Thomsen stated he is going to turn the time over to Cindy Gooch instead, as she is the funding guru of JUB Engineering. Cindy Gooch stated she has been working with JUB Engineering for 17 years. She has been writing grants for Syracuse City as a councilmember. JUB Engineering will be hands on for the entire process of any funding opportunities for rural communities. JUB Engineering will create a strategic funding plan for the next five years. This plan will be created from our Capital Facility Projects which is what we submit annually to PCIB (Permanent Community Impact Board) and CDBG (Community Development Block Grant). Cindy Gooch stated Myton has a very low MAGI (Modified Adjusted Gross Income). There is no way we can raise rates to pay for some of these loans. Cindy Gooch stated there is no way to get all grant anymore. Somehow along the line, there will be a loan and JUB will try to leverage other funding sources to make sure that it can be paid for. Cindy Gooch stated she will prepare and present a Strategic Funding Plan and come back next month. The Council can then decide the next step(s).

MOTION: MICHAEL "CHIPPER" FENN MOTIONED TO HAVE JUB ENGINEERS PREPARE A STRATEGIC FUNDING PLAN. WILFORD CONETAH SECONDED. LARRY DYE VOTED AYE. CHIPPER FENN VOTED AYE. WILFORD CONETAH VOTED AYE. DAKOTA BRUNS VOTED AYE. JIM DIETER VOTED AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CIVCO ENGINEERING – MAIN STREET PROJECT UPDATE

Mayor Cooper turned the time over to Bret Reynolds from Civco Engineering. Bret shared the plans for the Main Street project that Civco Engineering has been working on for the Joint Highway Main Street Project. After consultation with UDOT the stop sign that stops 500 West at Main Street will remain. Instead, they will put in a stop sign at Main Street leading to Highway 40. Bret stated he is still working on plans for Main Street and 100 East. Bret stated they are on budget for the project.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON MOSQUITO ABATEMENT 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

Mayor Cooper stated we don't have much involvement with the Duchesne County Mosquito Abatement District budgeting but they like our input.

MOTION: JIM DIETER MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE DUCHESNE COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET. LARRY DYE SECONDED. JIM DIETER VOTED AYE. CHIPPER FENN VOTED AYE. WILFORD CONETAH VOTED AYE. DAKOTA BRUNS VOTED AYE. LARRY DYE VOTED AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CHANGES TO MYTON CITY CHECKING ACCOUNT

Kalecia presented the council with information from Zion's Bank and Mountain America Credit Union. Kalecia stated Council asked her to find out what other banks could offer and present that information this month. That information is in your packets. Jim Dieter asked Kalecia who she would prefer. Kalecia stated Mountain America has the better pricing, but the decision is up to the council. Larry Dye asked why do we need to change? Larry Dye stated changing accounts has a lot of hassle, can we speak with Wells Fargo and have them waive those fees instead? We have been with them for a long time. Larry Dye stated to let them know that Mountain America and Zion's Bank have a limit of 300 checks per month instead of 100. Kalecia stated she will let them know and she will ask. Mayor Cooper asked Kalecia to report back next month. Discussion tabled.

CITY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS ON THE LAST MONTH'S ACTIVITIES

Alan Allred – Maintenance

Mayor Cooper turned the time over to Alan Allred for city maintenance. Alan Allred stated he purchased the Kubota from Valley Kubota for \$25,275. This price included the plow and blade. We received \$15,000 back from Ag Equipment from the Kubota we returned to them because we could never get a title. The difference was \$10,275. Valley Kubota still has the vehicle because they are putting in the hydraulic system for the plow. It will be ready in a few weeks.

Alan Allred stated he and the crew have been preparing for the storm tomorrow.

Mayor Cooper stated she has been approached by citizens about a concerning issue on 100 South owned by Greg Nelson. There is someone staying on the property without water or sewer, in a shack. This person also has three large dogs that he allows to be at-large and are nuisances. The person states he has permission from the owner to stay there. Mayor Cooper stated the Sheriff's Office will have him show proof.

Mayor Cooper stated there is ongoing concern about the nuisance going on at Stephanie Christensen's. Mayor Cooper stated Myton City can serve a letter to the property owner that she has thirty days to remediate the issue or Myton City will come in, clean it up and put a lien against the property. The same thing is happening with the Brown property. Mayor Cooper reported our attorney, Amy Hugie, is on vacation in Scotland and won't be back for a few weeks. When she returns, she will have Amy and Kalecia prepare the letters to serve on Ms. Christensen. Mayor Cooper stated that Sheriff Tucker will provide Myton City with assistance at the time of service and at the time we start the clean-up process.

MOTION: JIM DIETER MOTIONED TO PURSUE THE NUISANCES FROM CHRISTENSEN, BROWN AND NELSON PROPERTIES. CHIPPER FENN SECONDED. LARRY DYE VOTED AYE. DAKOTA

BRUNS VOTED AYE. CHIPPER FENN VOTED AYE. JIM DIETER VOTED AYE. WILFORD CONETAH VOTED AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Alan Allred – Fire Department

Chief Alan Allred stated they are plugging away at attendance for meetings. Chief Allred stated Santa will be at the fire station this Saturday, December 18 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Mayor Cooper – Planning & Zoning Board Appointments

Mayor Cooper stated we are needing to appoint members to the board. There was a property owner that needed to be heard and the only person in attendance was the property owner and Kalecia. Mayor Cooper asked the council to think on names and have them come talk to Kalecia about the board. Mayor Cooper asked Kalecia how many board members is required. Kalecia stated we need three board members and a liaison from the Council.

APPROVAL AND SIGNING OF CHECKS

Kalecia stated the Expenditures lists will be available in the city office for council signatures.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION – 52-4-205(C) AND (D)(II) STRATEGY SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING, REASONABLY IMMINENT AND ONGOING LITIGATION, WATER RIGHTS OR SHARES

Mayor Cooper stated there is no need for an executive session this evening regarding this matter.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION – 52-4-205 (1)(A) – DISCUSSION OF THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL(S)

Mayor Cooper stated there is no need for an executive session this evening regarding this matter.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to discuss. Council adjourned at 7:38 p.m.