

**Rockville Town Council
Regular Meeting
Via Zoom Virtual Meeting
February 9, 2022 – 6:00 pm**

1. **CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL:** Mayor Leach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Terry Bell, Mayor Pam Leach, Jeff Ballard, and Dave Firmage. M. Honer-Orton was excused. Town Clerk, Vicki S. Bell recorded the meeting.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Leach led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Dave Firmage **MOVED** to approve the agenda. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye
Terry Bell: Aye
Dave Firmage: Aye
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

4. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH AN AGENDA ITEM:** No conflicts of interest were declared.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. **REPORT ON ROCKVILLE/SPRINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT – CHIEF GILDEA:** Chief Gildea said there were two total calls in Rockville, both were medical refusals. In Springdale there were eight total calls, three of which were transports. In Zion National Park there were three calls, one was a transport, one was a refusal, and one was a fire call. In other news he stated that 22 new EMT/firefighters started on Monday. They will be attending the fire academy for about two months and should all be certified as fire fighter I's and II's by then. The Fire District also plans on opening Station 43 in La Verkin at that time, which will put back-up units five minutes closer. All Board vacancies have been filled with both temporary and permanent members so there are enough members to have a board meeting now. Finally, he stated that the burn season begins on March 1st, and they will make daily assessments on whether to continue issuing permits or not.
2. **REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION – CHAIR BRENNAN:** Chair Brennan reported the action taken on Jacob Anderson's property. Jacob wants to build a road that would go up and over a berm instead of taking out a berm and having to build a 10-foot wall of dirt that would have to be reinforced. The road has been appropriately engineered and will accommodate a 70,000-pound fire truck. Jacob's grading/excavation permit was approved. The second item Chair Brennan spoke about was a permit for a retaining wall on the Timmons' property. It will be facing the barn and its purpose is to hold up part of the house. The retaining wall appeared to be appropriately engineered and was approved. The final item from the regular meeting that Chair Brennan mentioned was the conceptual meeting with Buddy James, who owns Mild-to-Wild Rhino Tours. Chair Brennan explained that Buddy uses Grafton Road to access BLM land for his ATV tours and wanted to bring his business to Rockville to ease up some traffic. Chair Brennan said that he was told that would probably not fit into Rockville's General Plan but he was encouraged to pursue his plan to eventually shuttle his customers to the BLM land as opposed to them driving there individually.

During the Planning Commission's work meeting they discussed various projects they would be working on like the dark sky and nuisance ordinances, specifically the nuisance ordinance in the short term overlay zone that M. Honer-Orton had been assisting them with. Mayor Leach asked how long it would be until those ordinances come to a public hearing. Jane said that would depend on if they

needed another Planning Commission meeting before they could have a public hearing. Clerk Bell informed her that if they can get the ordinances together and sent out to all the Commissioners for review, they could have a public hearing at the March meeting. The final item Chair Brennan discussed was the annual site checks and reviews of all the Bed and Breakfasts in Town. Chair Brennan said that both she and Tim Arnold submitted reports which would show that each one is following the Code and that they saw no problems. There was one Bed and Breakfast that had issues regarding their website because people were surprised that the owners were there living on site. The Planning Commission discussed requiring that Bed and Breakfasts include the fact that the owners are on site in all their advertising to make it clear that these are not short-term rentals.

3. GIS DEMONSTRATION FROM JONES AND DEMILLE ENGINEERING – JOSH ANDERSEN.

ADAM PERSCHON: Josh began by stating how having the GIS map would be a benefit to the Town. It would help the Town run more efficiently by providing instant access to things like the zoning map and cemetery plats, as well as providing the information required for future funding. Josh went on to tell the Council about the newly legislated Capital Asset Self Inventory (CASI) that will be required with Capital Outlay reports in 2023. This requirement can be met with a manual spreadsheet or a GIS database, which Jones and DeMille can help develop to meet that requirement. Next Adam Perschon explained that GIS stands for geographic information systems and allows you to compile and manage data that can be mapped somewhere on the earth into a systematic database and display. Adam showed how GIS could be used to keep track of and display the location of water, sewer, power, and other public works. The Town could also include the zoning map and a map of the cemetery plats. All of these were just examples of what GIS can do. The information could be made available to the public and the Town would have the ability to limit public access to information as well. The cost of the software for one login account is \$500 per year, which would suffice for Rockville. The service Jones and DeMille would provide is setting up the database and teaching the Town how to collect, enter, and maintain the information they would like included and displayed. Mayor Leach and everyone else in attendance felt that having this service would be a great benefit to the Town and should continue with plans to acquire this service.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2022, PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING: Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the minutes. Dave Firmage **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye
Terry Bell: Aye
Dave Firmage: Aye
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022: There were no questions regarding the January expenditures. Dave Firmage **MOVED** to approve the expenditures. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye
Terry Bell: Aye
Dave Firmage: Aye
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: There were no questions regarding the January financial statements. Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the financial statements. Dave Firmage **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye
Terry Bell: Aye
Dave Firmage: Aye
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEMS

1. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ORDINANCE, NO. 22-0209-01 AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING OPEN FIRES AND THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE TOWN OF ROCKVILLE DURING THE REMAINDER OF 2022 DUE TO HIGH FIRE RISK DUE TO DROUGHT:** Mayor Leach stated that one revision was made under *Section 4, Open Fires*, it was made clear that an approved burn permit obtained from the Hurricane Valley Fire District allowing for open burning during Spring and Fall burn seasons is an allowed action. Jeff Ballard asked if this would change if there happened to be a wet Spring. Mayor Leach said that like Chief Gildea told them earlier, the burn season is scheduled to begin March 1st, but they would make daily assessments as to whether they would issue burn permits. Dave Firmage **MOVED** to approve the ordinance. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye
Terry Bell: Aye
Dave Firmage: Aye
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion **PASSED** unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

MAYOR PAM LEACH: Mayor Leach began by stating that she had attended the Zion Regional Collaborative (ZRC) meeting that morning where they reviewed what had been accomplished so far and where they would like to go in the future. They spoke about having gotten National Scenic Byway status for SR-9 and about the multi-use trail. The design phase for the multi-use trail is scheduled for 2023. The first part that will be looked at is the La Verkin to Virgin portion followed by the Rockville to Springdale portion. In Rockville, the trail would involve riding on the shoulders of the road and the hope of slowing the speed limit through the Town. Mayor Leach ended by saying that social events are still on hold in Rockville until there is an improvement on the Covid numbers.

V. TERRY BELL: Terry stated that he had nothing to report.

DAVE FIRMAGE: Dave had to leave and was excused from this portion of the meeting.

JEFF BALLARD: Jeff said he spoke to Chance Wright again about getting a bid to fix the areas of the rock ditches that he had identified. Chance promised to get that bid done that week or next, but Jeff is still waiting to hear back from him. Jeff also asked Mayor Leach if she had heard anything further from Washington County about the roads they discussed in January's meeting. Mayor Leach said that she had not and would follow up with Washington County.

2. **STAFF REPORT AS NEEDED:** Clerk Bell reminded the Council to come into the office to sign the ordinance they had just passed. She also reminded them of the mandatory public officials training in Springdale on February 18th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

Jeff Ballard: Aye

Terry Bell: Aye

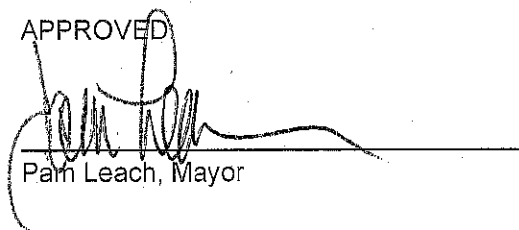
Mayor Leach: Aye

The motion PASSED unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:
Candace Harris, Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Rockville

APPROVED



Pam Leach, Mayor

The foregoing minutes were posted in the cabinet of the Rockville Town Office by Vicki S. Bell
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Network and Rockville websites.

Vicki S Bell



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February 9, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Rockville Community Center
43 E. Main Rockville, UT 84763**

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