

**MINUTES OF HARRISVILLE CITY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 2021
363 West Independence Blvd
Harrisville, UT 84404**

Present: Mayor Michelle Tait, Council Member Wilhelmsen, Council Member Steve Weiss, Council Member Blair Christensen, Council Member Max Jackson, Council Member Kenny Loveland.

Staff: Bill Morris, City Administrator, Jennie Knight, City Recorder, Cynthia Benson, Deputy City Recorder, Glen Gammell, Public Works, Zack Loveland, Storm Water, Matt Robertson, City Engineer, Bryan Fife, Recreation Director.

Visitors: Arnold Tait, Lane Findlay, Jennie Taylor, Brynn Murdock, David M. Schad, Jim Taggart, Jen Mackenzie, Cody Mackenzie, Geneva Blanchard, John Hansen, Kristine Godfrey, Jane Godfrey, Jake Bussio, Chad Holbrook, Nathan Averill.

7:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Tait called the meeting to order and welcomed all visitors.

2. Opening Ceremony.

Council Member Christensen led the pledge of allegiance and conducted the opening ceremony.

3. Consent Items.

- a. Approve the minutes of June 22, 2021 as presented.

MOTION: Council Member Jackson motioned to approve the City Council Minutes from June 22, 2021. Council Member Weiss second the motion. All Council Members voted aye.

4. Business Items.

a. Ogden-Weber Technical College Presentation.

President Taggart gave the history of Ogden Weber Technical College. In 1984, the college relocated from Madison Elementary to their current campus. In 2000, the Ogden-Weber Technology Center became a college changing the name to Ogden-Weber Technical College. President Taggart explained how the name of the college represents all of those involved through donations to make the college what it is today with a student body of over 6,000 students. The college offers a wide range of specified training to a diverse student body to meet job opportunities in and around the area. They do not offer training until they know there are jobs available in Weber County. Apprenticeships are offered as well. Provide high tech, high wage college degrees.

Scholarships are in place to help students graduate with no debt so they can stay within our communities after graduation. High school students attend tuition free. President Taggart further expressed the return on investment is for many students to be able to graduate with a college degree. Also, the graduating students are placing back into the community over an \$80,000 due to their salaries. To thank Harrisville for supporting the tech college, they are awarding a scholarship to give to a member of our own community. It is a 50th year Anniversary Community Scholarship, adult resident of Harrisville City to the college, to award to someone already enrolled or who will enroll in the college.

Mayor Tait asked how we should implement the selection process. President Taggart responded they would allow the cities to decide how to award the scholarship or make a selection. Mayor asked when this will go into effect. The decision will need to be made by December to cover the following year. This is a half year, six (6) month, tuition scholarship.

b. Weber School District Presentation

Dr. Stevens said Weber School district and Ogden Weber Tech College have a great standard of working together. They are sharing some information about the upcoming bond. The board has not made a decision but they anticipate that decision will be made in August. At that time, they will look at whether or not to bond and what will be included. Three things to consider; 1 - managing enrollment growth, 2 - aging facilities, and 3 - being sensitive to tax payers. Their board has been actively soliciting from constituents to get public feedback. They recognize the growth with most schools being at capacity or slightly over. The West side is recognized as being an area needed for additional construction. The need is for a high school, Jr high, and an elementary. All high schools are over capacity except Bonneville. Jr. High's serving Harrisville are over capacity. Wahlquist and Orion have these needs. When they look to bond, they are keeping up with aging facilities. Wahlquist was 73 years old when they reconstructed the school. Highest level of need is Roosevelt Elementary, TH Bell, Canyon View, etc.

He outlined the needs and priorities when enrollment and growth supersede the aging facilities. They are also considering the appetite from the community. They are finding there is very little appetite for a bond. With this bond, they would have the capacity to build a high school, Jr high, and build another elementary as well as replacing the older school without raising the tax rate. This will be the fifth bond they have put forth that would not increase the tax rate. At this time the board is seeking input from the public.

Mayor Tait asked if there is anything going to happen in or around Harrisville. Dr. Stevens said the property west of Washington and south of 1700 north would play into replacing our special needs school, Canyon View. There will be a few more years before that. They are looking at moving that school into the current Pioneer School and then rebuilding Pioneer Elementary on the property in North Ogden. Other properties the district is taking into consideration building on if they bond; a high school in Taylor on 50 acres approximately 2200 south 4400 west, a Jr high on 2200 south and 2700 west 27 acres. And an elementary on 5100 west 3300 south. By previously owning this

property, the district will not have to include the cost of the property in the bond. If they were trying to buy property now, that would be a significant problem. Lane Findley with community relations was introduced after a short video about bonding and how it works.

c. Major Brent Taylor Foundation Presentation

Jennie Taylor explained in commemoration of the 20th year since 9/11, the Brent Taylor foundation has reached out to local businesses to put together a project called, “WEber Remembers” with an emphasis on the word ‘WE’. Everyone remembers where they were that day. The entire generation of younger children do not have a memory of this event. The purpose of the project is to have those participating by sharing an experience, remembering and recommitting. Not to dwelling on this event but recommit to the unity that permeated our community, state and country after that day. The pandemic has been difficult and this is a perfect way for Weber County to lead the way. She is asking each city to help create an interactive experience. They are creating a timeline walking everyone through the experience. They would like each community to participate by providing one to four high resolution photos that represent the city, digital copy of the logo, and three to four sentences that define our community. They would like to involve the school districts and the children attending by having interactive things for the children. The Saturday events will include the community center with public service individuals available to interact with the community with food trucks and performing groups inside to celebrate our community, state, and nation. She offered one last invitation explaining on July 21st, 2021 at the Shepard Union Building in the Fireplace Lounge, from 9-4pm, individuals can meet with interns at Weber State to answer what they remember about 911. They would like to share this with the historical society. Again, everyone remembers where they were on that day. She asked Council to help communicate with the residents to make people aware of what is happening, to celebrate rising above a tragedy.

d. PUBLIC HEARING: Harrisville City Council will take comments for or against Harrisville Ordinance 524; an ordinance annexing 7.24 acres of property located at approximately 100 East 2200 North, in accordance with UCA §10-2-415.

Bill Morris said this annexation is consistent with the annexation policy plan and the zoning is consistent with what is in the surrounding subdivision.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to open the public hearing to take comments for or against Harrisville Ordinance 524; an ordinance annexing 7.24 acres of property located at approximately 100 East 2200 North, in accordance with UCA §10-2-415. Council Member Wilhelmsen seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye.

No public comments were offered.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to close the public hearing. Council Member Wilhelmsen seconded the motion. All Council Members votes aye.

e. PUBLIC HEARING: Harrisville City Council will take comments for or against Harrisville Resolution 21-09; a resolution adopting the Storm Water Capital Facilities Plan in accordance with UCA §10-9a-205.

Bill Morris explained the Capital Facilities Plan and how this is required to address impact fee increases. Matt Robertson presented the plan for the council. He included a memo to summarize the plan. The capital facilities plan is also referred to as a master plan for the storm drain facilities and infrastructure. Harrisville's infrastructure includes 18 miles of pipe, 300+ manholes, 40 detention basins, 700+ catch basins. They setup a computer module to show the immediate concerns in the case of large storm events. There are no glaring areas that are undersized that would be an immediate threat, but there are existing deficiencies. They then take future conditions with build out projects and run the model again. These are identified as system improvements that can be paid with impact fees. This allows for when development comes into the city which increases costs to the cities. By using impact fees to pay for improvements, the new development impact pays for the increase improvements. The plan identifies those existing deficiencies and the improvement needs for the city.

One project is our Public Works facility is at capacity and as the city grows, this needs to be address. The Impact Fee Act allows expansion of the facilities to accommodate the growth of the city. An estimated 20% of this project is for the growth of the storm water system on the property. Also, proposed in the plan is a new building to supplement the existing building. Another project is upsizing 4-mile creek culvert under Highway 89. This is stated as a high priority in the plan and is an existing deficiency. As future growth of the city occurs the flow that is currently there will diminish. Another large project will be six-mile creek pipe on the north end of the golf course on each side of Highway 89.

The plan identifies these projects, as the impact fee facility plans, to determine the next 6-10 years. A financial consultant will use that to conduct an impact fee analysis. The city can then work with the consultant to prepare an impact fee analysis.

Bill Morris said we are not adopting an impact fee tonight, but adopting the plan to hire a financial consultant to prepare an impact fee analysis.

MOTION: Council Member Jackson motioned to open the public hearing to take comments for or against Harrisville Resolution 21-09; a resolution adopting the Storm Water Capital Facilities Plan in accordance with UCA §10-9a-205. Council Member Loveland seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye.

No public comments were offered.

MOTION: Council Member Christensen motioned to close the public hearing. Council Member Loveland seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye.

f. Discussion/possible action to adopt Harrisville Ordinance 524; an ordinance annexing 7.24 acres of property located at approximately 100 East 2200 North.

Bill Morris was happy to report to the council that all the findings have met the state law with public notices and included plat. This project is coming in as R-1-10 zone and authorizing the mayor to finish this. Mayor Tait asked for clarification on the North Ogden portion. Bill Morris explained this project is side by side with North Ogden. Council Member Jackson asked if the zoning is consistent with what will go into North Ogden.

Geneva Blanchard outlined the Harrisville portion. She said the project is already annexed into North Ogden as an R-1-8 zone. Planning Commission will see the preliminary plan tomorrow night.

Motion: Council Member Weiss motioned to adopt Harrisville Ordinance 524; an ordinance annexing 7.24 acres of property located at approximately 100 East 2200 North. Council Member Wilhelmsen seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

g. Discussion/possible action to adopt Harrisville Resolution 21-08; a resolution adopting the 2021 Certified Tax Rate.

Bill Morris explained the 2021 Certified Tax Rate is provided by Weber County. Some cities adjust this rate through truth and taxation. The certified tax rate for Harrisville is .000708. The county will receive a copy of this resolution once adopted. Mayor Tait explained that our current adopted budget is based off this tax rate.

Bill Morris said this is 11% less than what it was last year. Some communities keep the same rate year to year through truth and taxation. He said the notice would have to go out that we were raising it by 11% if the council wished to keep the tax rate at what it is now even though they would not be actually raising the tax rate for the residents. This is often confusing to the public.

Council Member Wilhelmsen said we have cut back as much as we can, asking if we are looking at a potential of having an increase. Mayor Tait said that is a valid concern to address next budget year. Council Member Wilhelmsen said they would like to stay ahead. Council Member Weiss said there is some development coming in. Council Member Wilhelmsen said that is the hope.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motion to adopt Resolution 21-08; a resolution adopting the 2021 Certified Tax Rate. Council Member Christensen seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

h. Discussion/possible action to adopt Harrisville Resolution 21-09; a resolution adopting the Storm Water Capital Facilities Plan.

Bill Morris said this resolution adopts the plan the city engineer presented. Council Member Jackson asked about the expansion of public works, as well as opening up the flow of four-mile and six-mile creek. Matt Robertson clarified there are 17 projects identified in the plan. Some are existing deficiencies and some that will be needed in the future. Council Member Wilhelmsen asked for clarification on what is being adopted. Mayor Tait clarified the plan is to have a consultant perform the study.

MOTION: Council Member Christensen motion to adopt Harrisville Resolution 21-09; a resolution adopting the Storm Water Capital Facilities Plan. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

i. Discussion/possible action to adopt Harrisville Resolution 21-10, a resolution to contract with Mackey Smith, Tanner LLC, for facilitation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Bill Morris said this is the same firm that assisted with CARES funds disbursement last year. This will adopt a similar contract for the ARPA funds to meet an audit requirement. Mayor Tait stated she thought the firm did a really good job last year. They answered a lot of questions and really helped us through the process. Council Member Wilhelmsen asked how staying local affected us personally. Mayor Tait said it helped us immensely with the General Funds of the city. Bill Morris said the reporting was turned into the state, if there was a problem, that will be pointed out. Council Member Wilhelmsen said with the money going out, he would like to know how that affected the community.

Zack Loveland explained they started with the business grants. He notified each business that there was an opportunity to apply for the CARES funding. Mayor Tait recognized all of the efforts made in the process. Zack Loveland said we will be receiving \$813,000 of ARPA funds. There are different stipulations on how this can be spent versus the CARES funds. Mackey Smith is a good consultant to help us determine how best to spend these funds. Mayor Tait agreed it was a good resource to balance our decisions of where to best spend those funds.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motion to adopt Harrisville Resolution 21-10, a resolution to contract with Mackey Smith, Tanner LLC, for facilitation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Council Member Wilhelmsen seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

j. Discussion/possible action to approve purchase of Pocket Park Playground Equipment.

Bryan Fife said there was a memo in the packet regarding the three bids that came in on the playground. The city engineer recommended Lucky Dog playground. Mayor Tait asked about a timeline. Matt Robertson said to be completed by October to give some leeway and to address the availability of materials. Council Member Wilhelmsen asked for clarification if this was the park on 1100 North. He said that he is concerned there are no locks on the gate entrance to the irrigation ditch. Glen Gammell explained these cannot be locked because this access is used for irrigation users. They would have to give the keys to a great number of people. Council Member Wilhelmsen has concern that a child would be at risk playing. He said there are other areas of concern and requested information available to warn parents of the need to be responsible. Bill Morris suggested some signage be installed.

MOTION: Council Member Loveland motion to approve purchase of Pocket Park Playground Equipment to Lucky Dog Recreation as the low bid. Council Member Wilhelmsen seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

k. Discussion/possible action to approve Main Park Crack Seal and Overlay.

Glen Gammell said we are now taking care of trails and pathways throughout the city. The walkway at 2000 North was just done last week with a half of this paid for by a grant. He is looking at the pathway at Harrisville Park where it wraps to the splash pad. He is also looking at the area connecting to North Ogden. LaRose Paving came in at a good price, \$8,369. This will come out of transportation tax funds because this is an alternative transportation pathway.

MOTION: Council Member Christensen motion to approve Main Park Crack Seal and Overlay. Council Member Weiss seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Loveland	Yes
Council Member Jackson	Yes
Council Member Christensen	Yes
Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Wilhelmsen	Yes

Motion passed 5-0.

5. Public Comments - (3 minute maximum)

Jen McKenzie, lives at 575 West, they are having an issue with speeding. Traffic is consistently going 30-40 mph. They put safety signs in the street and were told they cannot do that. This is an ongoing issue. They have done what they can, nothing has been done. They cannot let their kids play outside. From 750 there is a radar sign, they do not have a sign for anything. Just because they are coming off of a main road, they are residential. She is asking for a speed sign.

Cody McKenzie seconds his wife, there is no speed limit sign, they have put out the signs, which have helped. When they put the signs in the road, this was not an issue. They were told they cannot put these in the road. Two kids almost got hit, and when they called this in they were approached of the possibility of a public intoxication. Extremely upsetting and asked for something to be done.

Council Member Weiss asked if the police presence helped. They have seen them 3-4 times but this is not a cop issue, they are not there to protect the street. Mayor Tait asked what they are asking for. Jen Mackenzie said they are asking for a sign on both sides of the street like what is coming off of Highway 89. When they see those signs, people slow down. Mayor Tait will follow up in staff meeting.

Kristine Godfrey attended Council to promote 4-H. Her daughter Jane is a horse ambassador for Weber County and part of her 4-H is promotion. Kristine and Jane have gone around to various cities to promote 4-H and to express thanks to the cities because they know they spend a lot of time and effort for our community. They wanted

to make certain the council knows they are out there for any projects they could think of that 4-H could do for the city.

6. Mayor/Council Follow-Up:

Council Member Wilhelmsen said there is a lot of talk about pickle ball courts. He recognizes this might not be a good time to discuss this, but there is a need for this and he would like to explore the possibility. Bill Morris said he has asked Bryan, Glen, and Matt to take a look at the possibility of using park impact fees. He said the playground they just approved will not come out of the general fund but the park impact fees. It needs to be spent within five years or returned to the developer. He has asked for the park facilities plan to be updated and this can be included. We can also include this request in our capital investments plan. Council Member Weiss said the new development should include pickle ball courts for the public as well.

Council Member Jackson informed Council Stewart Cowley passed away from covid last week.

Council Member Weiss asked if we are having the Fall Festival. Jennie and Bryan will report in September regarding the upcoming event.

Bryan Fife received an email on Friday stating the splash pad was turned off. Randy Douglas came in and contacted the vendor we use to repair the splash pad. The estimated cost was \$1800. He was able to get it running for Saturday. On Monday morning, staff came in and troubleshooted the problem. Of their own accord, staff tore into the pump and fixed the issue along with another for a mere \$182. Bryan felt his staff should get recognition for this. They took this on themselves and had the system up and running by noon. The public was not affected by the downtime.

7. Adjourn.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to adjourn at 8:13pm. Council Member Loveland seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye.

ATTEST:

MICHELLE TAIT
Mayor

JENNIE KNIGHT

City Recorder

Approved this 10th day of August, 2021