

**MINUTES OF HARRISVILLE CITY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 27, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.
363 West Independence Blvd
Harrisville, UT 84404**

Present: Mayor Michelle Tait, Council Member Gary Robinson, Council Member Ruth Pearce, Council Member Clark Beecher, Council Member Steve Weiss. [Council Member Grover Wilhelmsen is excused]

Staff: Bill Morris, City Administrator, Mark Wilson, Police Chief, Dennis Moore, Police Lieutenant, Glen Gammell, Police Sergeant, Bryan Fife, Recreation Director, Sean Lambert, Public Works Director, Jennie Knight, City Recorder.

Visitors: Nathan Averill, Chuck Crippen, Richard Hendrix, Austin Moffitt, Aspen Teuscher, Blaine Barrow, Rachel Schow, Chris Cope, Mike Larson & family.

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.

Mayor Tait led the pledge of allegiance and conducted the opening ceremony.

3. Consent Items.

- a. Approve the minutes of July 9, 2019 as presented.

MOTION: Council Member Pearce motioned to approve the minutes of July 9, 2019 as presented. Council Member Beecher seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.

4. Recognition Awards

Chief Wilson thanked Mike Larsen from Advanced Armor Technology for all the support he has offered to Harrisville Police Department and presented him with a certificate of appreciation. Chief Wilson thanked Kevin Starkey from Walmart for all the support they have offered to Harrisville both the Police Department and Heritage Days and presented him with a certificate of appreciation.

5. Convene as the Board of Canvassers.

- a. **Discussion/possible action to approve Harrisville City Resolution 19-13; a Resolution approving the Canvass of the 2019 Municipal Primary Election.**

Mayor Tait declared the Council as now convening as the Board of Canvassers. Jennie Knight reviewed the results of the 2019 Primary Election and read the results into the record. Council Member Robinson asked for clarification on how the votes are tallied on ballots. Jennie Knight responded the ballots include up to three votes for candidates; anything above three votes would deem the ballot disqualified. Council Member Robinson asked if voters were required to vote for three. Jennie Knight clarified that ballots which include less than three votes for candidates would still be counted; ballots with over three votes for candidates would be disqualified.

MOTION: Council Member Beecher motioned to approve Harrisville City Resolution 19-13; a Resolution approving the Canvass of the 2019 Municipal Primary Election. Council Member Robinson seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Weiss Yes
Council Member Beecher Yes
Council Member Pearce Yes
Council Member Robinson Yes

Motion passed 4-0

6. Oath of Office.

- a. Dennis Moore, Harrisville Police Lieutenant
- b. Glen Gammell, Harrisville Police Sergeant
- c. Randy Hammock, Harrisville Police Officer

Chief Wilson introduced the officers and their new positions and Jackie VanMeeteren, Police Secretary, administered the Oath of Office.

7. Business Items.

- a. **Discussion/possible action to grant Final Acceptance for C. Cara Bassett Subdivision.**

Sean Lambert explained this subdivision received conditional acceptance more than one year ago and there are no remaining issues. Sean Lambert described where this subdivision is located and recommended final acceptance.

MOTION: Council Member Pearce motioned to grant Final Acceptance for C. Cara Bassett Subdivision and release all remaining escrow. Council Member Weiss seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.

- b. **Discussion/possible action to approve surplus items.**

Sean Lambert explained the Public Works Department has several items for surplus. First, a 2007 Dodge 1500 truck which was due to be surplused two years ago and we held on to it for a bit longer. Next, a broadcast spreader for fertilizer; we have purchased a new one and no longer need the old one. Lastly, a three point mower that sits behind the tractor. This is a finish mower and there are issues when used. We have a flail mower that cuts along the roadways that is much better.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to approve surplus items. Council Member Pearce seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.

- c. **Discussion/possible action to approve 2019 Storm Water Projects.**

Sean Lambert explained there are two major storm water projects. One is located on 750 West south of the city property. There is an irrigation canal that is also used for storm water. The current system drains south and he would like to continue to the north as well. The second project is on North Harrisville Road in front of Aloha Auto. He spoke with UDOT to receive permission to drain into the basin in exchange for the city mowing the basin periodically. He would like to bid the 750 West project this winter. There is only one driveway being affected and two additional property owners.

Council Member Robinson asked which property owners will be affected. Blaine Barrow described the properties that will be affected. There are irrigation ditches coming from the north and the south which will both require a culvert so they can serve both purposes. Sean Lambert

clarified the project will only affect three property owners for now. Council Member Beecher asked if there will be problems when storms occur that would cause flooding. Sean Lambert responded there are about a dozen places throughout the city they have to watch during storms.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to approve 2019 Storm Water Projects. Council Member Pearce seconded the motion. All Council Members voted aye. Motion passed.

d. Discussion/possible action to approve Harrisville Resolution 19-12; Open Railway Crossings.

Bill Morris explained complaints have increased regarding the railroad crossing on West Harrisville Road. This resolution expresses our support for state legislation to protect open railway crossings. This is causing serious delays in our area. Council Member Robinson asked how they are proposing to address this. Bill Morris said they want to specify trains are not allowed to block tracks for more than fifteen minutes. They would like to collaborate with the United States Department of Transportation and Union Pacific so the railways are not blocked. We are unable to pass an ordinance because we are superseded by federal law. Mayor Tait pointed out this has been happening for years but is getting worse. Bill Morris said they implemented a computer based system that is not considering impact. This will encourage them to take a closer look and make adjustments to the computerized system.

MOTION: Council Member Beecher motioned to approve Harrisville Resolution 19-12; Open Railway Crossings. Council Member Weiss seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Beecher	Yes
Council Member Pearce	Yes
Council Member Robinson	Yes

Motion passed 4-0.

e. Discussion/possible action to approve Harrisville Ordinance 502; Inspection and Clean Up.

Bill Morris explained the state legislators made some changes in 2018. This is an update to our nuisance ordinance.

MOTION: Council Member Weiss motioned to approve Harrisville Ordinance 502; Inspection and Clean Up. Council Member Pearce seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Weiss	Yes
Council Member Beecher	Yes
Council Member Pearce	Yes
Council Member Robinson	Abstained from vote

Motion passed 3-0.

8. Public Comments - (3 minute maximum)

Blaine Barrow said he was not available to attend the budget discussion earlier in the year. He previously requested some solar speed signs be considered for installation on 750 West and

asked if these are included in the budget. Council Member Weiss responded the signs have been purchased and will be installed as soon as they are received. Mr. Barrow said he appreciates the work planned for 750 West and he has enjoyed his conversations with Sean Lambert. He asked if a trail committee could be formed to pursue trails over storm drains or installing bike lanes. He asked if funding is available and could be applied for. He asked how many citations have been written on this road. These are not the people living on the street but thoroughfare traffic. People are not following the speed limits and when officers patrol they are pulling people over within five minutes. He appreciates the effort the officers are making but they cannot walk on this road and there are more families there than before.

Rachel Schow lived on a curve at 1027 West 1600 North. There was an accident recently on this curb and she is concerned about the safety of the children who live in the area. There are 17 young children who live in this area; some kids ride bikes in the street. She is concerned with cars driving on the curb and crashing into driveways and requested something be done. She suggested solar speed signs in this area. She does not want to see a child hurt.

9. Mayor/Council Follow-Up:

Mayor Tait thanked staff and the police department for their participation in Heritage Days. She asked Council to mark this on their calendars for next years for attendance.

Council Member Weiss said he used the bowery the other day and is interested in investing in a new sound system. After discussion, it was discovered Council Member Weiss used an older sound system that was previously surplus. Bryan Fife clarified there is a newer system in the bowery storage closet.

Council Member Robinson asked about a fireworks show that took place near a holiday in the city park. Chief Wilson clarified they were told not to have this event, but did it anyway. Mayor Tait said she was aware they held the event without permission.

Council Member Robinson felt the fireworks at Heritage Days started early and he was not impressed with the show. Mayor Tait said the issue with fireworks has been addressed. Bryan Fife informed Council of the increase in cost for fireworks. The cost is currently \$1,500 per minutes. With the current fireworks budget, we are only paying for a seven minute show.

Council Member Pearce expressed her concern with an ordinance that is not being upheld for access between residential and commercial. Bill Morris explained we are in the process of dealing with the General Plan and other important items on the Planning Commission level and in future, this individual will be asked to attend Planning Commission for an interpretation of the ordinance, since he is appealing. This delay is due to the larger issues Planning Commission is currently addressing.

Mayor Tait reminded Council the ULCT Conference is coming up. The deadline has been extended if any other Council Members would like to attend.

10. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: Utah State Code §52-4-205(1)(a): The Council may consider a motion to enter into Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individual(s).

MOTION: Council Member Pearce motioned to close the public meeting and enter a Closed Executive Session. Council Member Weiss seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Weiss Yes
Council Member Beecher Yes
Council Member Pearce Yes
Council Member Robinson Yes

Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor and Council convened in a Closed Executive Session.

MOTION: Council Member Beecher motioned to close the Closed Executive Session. Council Member Pearce seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Council Member Weiss Yes
Council Member Beecher Yes
Council Member Pearce Yes
Council Member Robinson Yes

Motion passed 4-0.

11. Adjourn.

Mayor Tait declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

ATTEST:

MICHELLE TAIT
Mayor

JENNIE KNIGHT

City Recorder

Approved this 10th day of September, 2019