

FILLMORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 7, 2022

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Fillmore City Council held July 5, 2022 in the Council Chambers of the Fillmore City Building. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was posted on the Utah State Public Notice website, the Fillmore City website, the Council Chambers, the City Office bulletin board, and the President Millard Fillmore Library. Notice was also provided to the Chronicle-Progress, radio station KMTI and each member of the governing body on July 1, 2022.

Those present were:

Mayor:	Michael D. Holt	Council:	Curt Hare
Attorney:	Elise Harris (excused)		Kyle Monroe
Recorder:	Kevin Orton		Eric R. Jenson
			Michael B. Winget
			Dennis W. Alldredge

Others present were:

Brandon Cummings, Russell Anderson, Gina Dellapiana, Dan Rowley, Eric Larsen, and Kris Ewert.

6:30 p.m. Welcome by Mayor Holt and pledge of allegiance.
Mayor Holt excused Attorney Elise Harris

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Minutes

MOTION: To accept the meeting minutes from the June 21, 2022 council meeting, as corrected.

By: Councilmember Winget

Second: Councilmember Jenson

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Payroll and Bills

MOTION: To approve the payment of bills listed on the invoice register dated June 22, 2022 – July 5, 2022 and payroll dated June 30, 2022.

By: Councilmember Monroe

Second: Councilmember Hare

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Purchase Order

MOTION: To approve purchase order 22-69 payable to Ascent Aviation Group, Inc in the amount of \$26,457.05 for purchase of Jet A fuel.

By: Councilmember Monroe

Second: Councilmember Winget

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REQUESTS

Fire Department Report – Councilmember Winget

There were six fires responded to in the month of June. The fireworks show went well and there was only one minor injury. There was one 100 square foot fire that started, and it was quickly extinguished. The new water tender truck has been fully assembled and will arrive this week.

Millard County Commission Report – Councilmember Alldredge

The county commission discussed Iron County wishing to draw from aquifers for their water consumption that could affect Millard County's aquifers. The Millard County Commission will express written opposition to this, and the city council should offer their support of this opposition.

Discussion Regarding Renewable Energy – Eric Larsen (UAMPS Liaison to Fillmore City)

UAMPS is in negotiations to introduce additional solar panels to an 80-megawatt solar farm that UAMPS draws power from. Costs have increased recently on solar panels, and this project has been delayed due to supply chain issues.

The coal-fired power plant in San Juan County was scheduled to be shut down by now, but because of a power shortage in the western United States, it will remain open and operational through the end of September of this year.

In response to Russell Anderson's questions and concerns that were introduced in the previous city council meeting regarding the city's renewable energy policy, Mr. Larsen explained that there is a serious over-voltage problem occurring in many communities due to too many solar panels being integrated into the systems. Another problem is that too many people are installing renewable equipment that is sub-par and further causes problems to the grid. Mayor Holt explained that the policy is written the way it is to protect the system and thus the citizens who pay utility rates. Mr. Larsen likened what is happening in the power arena to what is going on with electric vehicles, in that those who drive gas vehicles pay additional taxes at the pump to maintain the same roads that people use to drive on that drive electric vehicles, and yet the electric car drivers do not pay taxes to maintain those roads. Most city's renewable policies are written to "even things out" so that those using renewable components on the system are paying their fair share to maintain the overall system. Russell Anderson stated that he understands what is being explained, however, he feels that the allowed kilowatt limit of 5 kW for renewable customers may still be too low, and the city should look at what other cities are allowing and consider increasing that limit. Mr. Larsen explained that changes that happen within the power industry take a very long time and that they are very slow moving, but it will continue to evolve to include much more renewable energy as a source for everyone.

Dixie Power Service Standards – Brandon Cummings

Many local contractors are familiar with Dixie Power's building standards, and those standards usually supersede municipal codes because they follow the State code. If Fillmore City were to adopt these standards into their code, then it would be easier to have everyone "on the same page." It would also be helpful to post these standards on-line for building permit purposes.

96 MOTION: To approve to have a resolution drafted for council approval in the next
97 council meeting to adopt Dixie Power standards into the Fillmore City
98 code.
99 By: Councilmember Alldredge
100 Second: Councilmember Winget
101 Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

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104 Dan Rowley thanked Mayor Holt and the city council for the Mayor's choice award and trophy
105 during this year's car show and for their support of the event.

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107 Recorder Kevin Orton received verification from the council of their receipt of the notice of
108 annexation certification for the Retreat annexation that is underway. This verification will
109 allow the city to start the noticing process of the annexation.

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112 BUSINESS

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114 Resolution 22-11 Amending the Fillmore City Billboard Policy

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116 MOTION: To table.
117 By: Councilmember Monroe
118 Second: Councilmember Hare
119 Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

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122 COUNCIL REPORTS

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124 Councilmember Monroe

125 Justice Court

- 126 • There were 27 cases, 7 infractions, and 10 misdemeanor cases filed in the month of
127 June. \$4,690.00 of revenues were retained by the Fillmore City Justice Court.

128 Councilmember Hare

129 Celebrations

- 130 • The 4th of July celebrations event went very well this year. The committee is looking
131 for more people to volunteer and serve. Councilmember Hare commended the city
132 staff (specifically Lindsay Williams) for her great support and oversight of the
133 committee.
134 • Councilmember Alldredge stated that although the race was very good, the committee
135 should consider returning to the original route for future years.
136 • The council commended Rachel West for doing a great job this year as the celebrations
137 committee chair.

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142 Councilmember Alldredge

143 **Water**

- 144 • A landowner is inquiring regarding a quit deed from the city on a small piece of land
145 that is next to the northeast corner of the cemetery that is related to the new water tank
146 project. Mayor Holt will investigate the matter further and bring more information to
147 the council in the next council meeting.

148 **Economic Development**

- 149 • Gilmore & Bell, who is working on drafting a public infrastructure district (PID)
150 policy for Fillmore City, may have a sample policy to present to the council in the July
151 19th city council meeting. Gilmore & Bell are not writing the policy for and on behalf
152 of any developers. Their only goal in providing this document is to protect and
153 safeguard the city.
- 154 • There will be a meeting held later this week with city officials and a
155 landowner/developer who has recently acquired land in Fillmore and who is applying
156 for a land annexation regarding future developments of that land to include residential
157 and commercial developments within Fillmore.
- 158 • The city is seeking assistance and acquiring proposals from professionals who can
159 rewrite the city's zoning policies. There is a great need to update these ordinances
160 considering the amount of anticipated growth and development in Fillmore.
- 161 • It was determined from an engineering review that the road base in the road just east of
162 the Carl's Jr. is distressed. What this means is that the city would expect to get about 4
163 to 5 years out of a chip seal repair of that road if the cracks and potholes in the road are
164 filled before applying a chip seal to the road. Although this is a less expensive option,
165 it may not be an appropriate long-term solution.
- 166 • House Bill 23 addresses first responders' mental health needs. There are grants
167 available to assist with this challenge. This could help municipalities assist their first
168 responders in obtaining mental health services that arise while providing first
169 responder services.

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171 Councilmember Winget

172 **Fire Department**

- 173 • As was mentioned earlier in the meeting, the new water tender truck is fully assembled
174 and being delivered to Fillmore this week.

175 **Planning & Zoning**

- 176 • In the next planning meeting, the planning commission will elect a new chair and vice-
177 chair. Additionally, Mayor Holt has extended an invitation to two people to serve on
178 the commission.

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180 Councilmember Jenson

181 **Law Enforcement**

- 182 • The council plans on moving the speed trailer to 500 South, as there continues to be
183 speeding problems on that road.
- 184 • Lieutenant Clark will be invited to report to the council each month again as was done
185 in the past.

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189 Mayor Holt

- 190 • This year is an election year for the Millard County Commission. The city may have to
191 wait until the elections are over before finalizing agreement negotiations as they relate
192 to the landfill and law enforcement contracts.
193 • There will be a legislative ATV/OHV ride on July 13, 2022 where legislative officials
194 from all around Utah are invited, and Mayor Holt will not be attending so
195 councilmembers were invited to attend the event in his place.
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198 **ADJOURNMENT**
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200 Upon motion by Councilmember Hare and second by Councilmember Winget, the meeting
201 adjourned at 8:03 p.m.
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203 The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be held July 19, 2022, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
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206 APPROVED July 19, 2022

207 Michael D. Holt, Mayor
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