

DATE TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2022

THE EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ELECTRONICALLY ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022, AT THE HOUR OF 7:00 P.M., VIA ZOOM.COM.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

ELECTRONICALLY PRESENT: DAVID BREMS
ROBERT PINON
CATHERINE HARRIS
JENNIFER HAWKES, Deputy Mayor
JOE SMOLKA, Mayor

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

CAMERON PLATT, LEGAL COUNSEL
GORDON BENNETT, ADMINISTRATOR
NICHOLE WATT, DEPUTY CLERK



Mayor Smolka, Chair, presided.



Pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-202 the undersigned, as Mayor of the Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council, hereby declares that providing an anchor location for the electronic meetings of the Council will present a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location for the following reasons:

The Township is located in Salt Lake County and is still under a “Medium Level of Transmission” alert stage for the COVID 19 pandemic; and

The regular meeting place for the Council (the Fire Station in the Canyon) does not have sufficient space in the meeting room to provide for the recommended physical distancing to keep people safe from infection.



PUBLIC MEETING

Citizen Input

None.



Reports from other Municipal Providers

Emigration Canyon Community Council (ECCC)

Bill Tobey stated the two fire safety projects are expected to be completed but the date of the project is uncertain. The CERT program will be re-launched with Tyler Tippetts as the program manager. The Emigration Canyon Community Council elections will be held in November. There are six open seats available and there are three candidates.

Unified Police Department (UPD)

Chief Wayne Dial stated Detective Elsasser retired. There was a hiring process to replace Detective Elsasser and Dawn Larsen was selected.

Unified Fire Authority (UFA)

Chief Bryan Case reviewed the calls for service for August. UFA has been working on the Standards of Cover document and it is getting close to completion. The Chief and other leaders will reach out to Mayor Smolka and the Council to set up a time to review the document.

Council Member Harris stated Chief Dominic Burchett wants to meet the Council at its next meeting.

Salt Lake County Animal Services Advisory Board

Gary Bowen, Emigration Canyon Metro Township Representative, Salt Lake County Animal Services Advisory Board, stated the SPAYghetti and No Balls fundraiser was held in August and was successful. Petapalooza was held on September 24, 2022 and was well attended. A bill was submitted to the legislature to bring domestic animals under the Department of Agriculture. If the bill is passed it will remove all authority from Salt Lake County Animal Services.



Council Business

Resolution 2022-09-01 – Emergency Operations Plan & Interim Successors

The Council reviewed the following Resolution adopting an emergency operations plan and emergency interim successors:

RESOLUTION No. 2022-09-01

Date: September 27, 2022

RESOLUTION ADOPTING EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN AND EMERGENCY INTERIM SUCCESSORS FOR TOWNSHIP OFFICERS.

WHEREAS, Emigration Canyon Metro Township (“Township”) recognizes it is at risk to a wide range of natural, technological, and man-made hazards and such events require ongoing emergency operations planning by all jurisdictions of government within the Township, county and state;

WHEREAS, the Township Council (“Council”) finds that it is in the public interest to have an emergency operations plan;

WHEREAS, Township officers, employees, or designees will execute the emergency operations plan;

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 53-2a-807 requires the Township to adopt an emergency operations plan, designate an emergency manager and three emergency interim successors and the specific order of succession for each officer, and designate an emergency alert plan and system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, UTAH, THAT:

SECTION I: The emergency operations plan attached as Exhibit 1 is hereby adopted as the emergency operations plan for Emigration Canyon Metro Township, including its designation of an alert plan, and alert system.

SECTION II: The Emergency Operations Manager and order of succession for Emigration Metro Township is as follows:

1. Emergency Operations Manager – Mayor Joe Smolka;
2. Mayor Pro Tempore – Jennifer Hawkes;
3. Chief Law Enforcement Officer – Sheriff Rosie Rivera

SECTION III: Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect upon publication.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council, Utah, this 27th day of September in the year 2022.

EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP

/s/ JOE SMOLKA
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ SHERRIE SWENSEN
County Clerk

Council Member Brems, seconded by Council Member Pinon, moved to adopt Resolution 2022-09-01. The motion passed unanimously.

Community Renewable Energy Program Update

Council Member Brems stated an ordinance that outlines the program is being drafted and will be presented to the Council for approval.

Mayor Smolka stated any deadlines should be presented with the ordinance.

ARPA Funds

Mayor Smolka stated he asked Public Works Engineering to gather information on updating the FEMA maps. Three bids were received with the final cost being \$84,800.

Mayor Smolka, seconded by Council Member Harris, moved to allocated \$84,800 of ARPA funds to fund the FEMA floodplain maps. Council Member Pinon amended the motion to add as provided by Bowens and Collins. Mayor Smolka and Council Member Harris accepted the amendment. The motion passed unanimously.

Franchise Tax

Council Member Brems stated the Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA) Board has been discussing the possibility of the Metro Townships collecting a franchise tax and allocating some of those funds to SLVLESA. If the Council adopts a franchise tax, it is not obligated to allocate any of those funds to SLVLESA, the tax can be used for other things. The amount that could be collected would be approximately \$85,000.

Mayor Smolka stated the Council can consider using part of the funds for SLVLESA and part of it for other projects in the canyon.

Council Member Harris asked who collects the money and where is it held.

Mayor Smolka stated the tax is collected by energy providers and kept by the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD).

Council Member Brems stated there is no timeline to approve the implementation of the tax. He suggested drafting the ordinance, having a discussion, and setting the public hearing for November.

Broadband Options

Council Member Pinon stated an antenna has been put in place for Sunnydale. Residents will be contacted by Utah Broadband to sign up for services. He was approached by Michael Duncan and Izabela Miller, Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD),

regarding internet connection at the fire station. He put them in touch with Utah Broadband so they can work together to find a solution to the internet connection issues.

Mayor Smolka stated some of the equipment at the fire station is being upgraded, including the TV and camera.

Council Member Pinon stated he discussed getting an OWL installed at the fire station as well.

Council Member Harris stated after the technology is in place and hybrid meetings are possible, the Council could resume in person meetings as early as October.

Legal Issues

Cameron Platt stated there are no updates at this time.

Mayor Smolka stated he was made aware of a land purchase in Killyons Canyon by Salt Lake County.

Nichole Watt stated the Salt Lake County Council approved a resolution to purchase property located at 1304 North Killyons Lane. Derrick Sorensen, Salt Lake County Real Estate, indicated the property will be used for open space and there is no intention of making it a trailhead or adding significant parking to that area. At the most it will add a couple more parking spots to help alleviate the current parking issues.

Budget

Mayor Smolka stated invoices for clerk services and legal counsel were paid. The Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) will hold a public hearing on the budget. Additional funds were added to the election line item in the administrative budget for 2023.

Minutes

Council Member Hawkes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Harris, moved to accept the minutes of the Emigration Canyon Metro Township Council meeting held on August 23, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.



Council Member Reports

Administrative Report

Gordon Bennett stated it was great to meet everyone at the Meet and Greet.

Council Member Brems stated it would be beneficial if Mr. Bennett could attend the various meetings like, Unified Police Department (UPD) and Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA) to become more familiar with the organizations.

Mr. Bennett stated he can attend any meetings that the Council would like him to.

Unified Police Department (UPD) & Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA)

Council Member Brems stated the UPD Board discussed performance audit, funding consultants, fund balance, and budget amendments. The SLVLESA Board discussed the franchise tax agreements and is getting ready to adopt the 2023 budget.

Emigration Canyon Metro Township Planning Commission

Council Member Brems stated the dark sky ordinance is being worked on and the Commission adopted rules of conduct.

Unified Fire Authority (UFA) & Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA)

Council Member Harris stated there are ongoing discussions about the capital fund balance. Various Board Members have expressed concerns about there being more transparency.

Watershed Plan

Council Member Harris stated she would like the Council to provide input on the watershed plan that was emailed earlier. The next steps in the process will be to meet with stakeholders to get additional input.

Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)

Council Member Pinon stated a salary report study was concluded by a third party consultant. It was determined that salaries needed to be adjusted by 4 percent. Two employees were hired, one will be over preparedness and safety and the other is a data analysis. A \$2.50 fee increase will be assessed for services in Emigration Canyon. The 2023 budget was approved. There will be two new front load garbage trucks being delivered. The seasonal container program and the dissatisfaction there is for the program was discussed.

Association of Municipal Councils

Nothing to report.

Website

Nothing to report.

CodeRED

Deputy Mayor Hawkes stated notices for the upcoming Haunted Half Marathon will go out. She continues to send information out on the construction being done at Pinecrest. She would like a policy drafted that covers how the notification system can be used.

Restrooms

Deputy Mayor Hawkes stated shingles for the restroom were delivered this week and the foundation has been set. She hopes to have the restroom completed by winter.

Council Member Brems asked who is going to maintain the restroom when it is completed.

Mayor Smolka stated the upkeep of the restroom has been included in the budget and will be maintained by Parks and Recreation.

Deputy Mayor Hawkes stated a ribbon cutting and open house will be scheduled once the restroom is completed.

Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT)

Nothing to report.

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD)

Mayor Smolka stated the MSD is taking a proactive role in emergency management. There are elements that were not in place that should have been. Local agreements

with other cities, towns, states, and counties are being worked on. Leadership staff will be taking the NIMS training.

Landfill

Mayor Smolka stated the Board is holding hybrid meetings now and the next one will be tomorrow.

Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC)

Mayor Smolka stated being part of this Council could make a little easier to obtain grants.

Council of Governments (COG)

Mayor Smolka stated an overflow homeless shelter has been designated in Millcreek City.

Legislative Update

Mayor Smolka stated Emigration Improvement District (EID) is working with a company that can pretreat wastewater. The state is dragging its feet a little bit. He talked to Emigration Canyon's Representative to try and help promote the idea that there needs to be more options to deal with sewers in the state.

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Other Announcements

Mayor Smolka stated a bike group of about 30 individuals, will be doing time trials in the canyon. The group will start at Rotary Glen Park this Saturday.

Project Updates

Mayor Smolka updated the Council on projects at Margarethe Lane and Pinecrest.

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Deputy Mayor Hawkes stated Wasatch Choice has an upcoming workshop, she will forward the invite to the Council.

Mayor Smolka stated emergency management training will be held on October 22, 2022, for elected officials.

Council Member Harris stated emergency command training is coming up and Gordon Bennett could attend that as well. She will forward the information to the Council and Mr. Bennett.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

MAYOR, EMIGRATION CANYON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

SHERRIE SWENSEN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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