

SPRING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2022, 7:00 p.m. at 45 S 100 E Spring City, Utah 84662

In Person Attendance: Mike Black, Chad Huff, Whit Allred, Jim Fleming Lawrence Gardner, Mike Nelson, Carla Nelson, Craig Paulsen, Robert Buckner, George Kenzy, Boyd Hooley, Connie Hooley, Cory Madsen, Jhan Miller, Cherrie Barrow, David Allred, Cody Hansen, Tiffany Hansen, Cori Seegmiller, Stephanie Seegmiller, Rick Dyches, Lan Kendall, Jane Hawkes, Kimberly Stewart, Kristen Mortensen, Elizabeth Allred, Kent Kummer, Ruth Ann McCain; Recorder.

Zoom Attendance: Randy Strate, Ron Dubberly, Someone on an iPhone.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Chris Anderson

Expression of Choice: Marty McCain

Roll Call: Paul Penrod – via Zoom, Tim Clark, Nancy Allred, Chris Anderson, Courtney Syme

Mayor and Council Member Department Reports

Council Member Craig Clark was absent.

Council Member Tim Clark stated that his discussions will be later in the agenda.

Council Member Nancy Allred stated that other than planning and zoning she has nothing to report.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that it has been nice to have irrigation water this long in the season. Due to a resent bill passed by the Utah State Legislature all voting will be done by roll call from now on. There will be a work meeting for the council and planning and zoning on Wednesday October 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Council Member Courtney Syme stated that anything he will discuss will be later in the agenda.

Council Member Paul Penrod stated that our culinary water is good, and the fire department is continuing to train. Fortunately, there have not been any fires.

Public Comments

Jane Hawkes stated that the front of city hall is very dark at night. She asked if the city would put in some lights.

Randy Strate stated that he disagreed with comments made at planning and zoning last week. It was stated that Spring City has plenty of water rights and doesn't want growth. He feels that this is wrong and said that the city cannot grant unlimited connections based off an average use of water over a 24-hour period. There are many other factors that need to be looked at when making these decisions. He feels that the city is moving in the right direction.

Elizabeth Allred: Thanked the city for the stop signs put close to her house. She also thanked Chief Huff for his presence in the city.

Planning and Zoning

Council Member Tim Clark motioned to approve the zoning permit for Bryant Allred to build shed at 687 E 200 S. **Motion seconded by Council Member Courtney Syme.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Aye
Nancy Allred	Aye
Courtney Syme	Aye
Paul Penrod	Aye

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to approve the zoning permit for Cory Seegmiller to build a new home at 624 E 400 S. **Motion seconded by Council Member Tim Clark.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Council Member Courtney Syme motioned to approve the zoning permit for Kristen Mortensen to build a large permanent greenhouse at 16 S 700 E. With an approved amendment to add solar panels. **Motion seconded by Council Member Tim Clark.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Council Member Tim Clark motioned to approve the zoning permit for Tyler Charson to have power for a new home in the south buffer zone. **Motion seconded by Council Member Nancy Allred.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

James Fleming Subdivision Application North Buffer Zone

Jim Fleming restated the steps he has taken to have Spring City allow culinary water to his property in the north buffer zone. He would like to know what the city's stance is concerning water to those in the buffer zone. Mayor Chris Anderson stated that this is an agenda item for

later in the meeting. Jim asked about an analysis done by Sunrise Engineering in 2020. Mayor Anderson stated that Sunrise Engineering is doing a well siting study now. Jim was unhappy that he had the analysis completed and the city will not allow the water connection. He wanted the council to vote whether or not the city will allow him to have water to his property. Mayor Anderson stated that he is on the agenda for a subdivision not to allow water to the property so a vote would not be possible. Because his property is in the buffer zone the city has no say over any subdivisions. Jim said that he is requesting culinary water from the city to the property noting that Spring City has allowed this as recently as last year. Council Member Courtney Syme talked about attending a growth summit put on by Six County. He said that the focus was on growth in the cities and counties. Advice that was given to us in this meeting was to be extremely cautious providing utilities to homes in the buffer zone. Our city will be working on a plan on how to deal with water outside the city. Mayor Anderson stated that we have no legal obligations outside the city limits. Our obligations are first to the city. Council Member Syme stated that he feels that it would be foolish to grant any more water outside the city limits until we have a firm plan in place enacted by an ordinance. Jim Fleming asked for his money back that he paid for the engineering analysis. Mayor Anderson stated that the money paid was not to the city but to the engineering firm that did the analysis. There was never a guarantee that the city would grant culinary water. Sunrise gave Jim an analysis stating how to build the line to get the proper water pressure. It was not an analysis to see if Spring City will have enough water for you to have indefinitely.

Council Member Courtney Syme motioned to approve the business license application on 9th S Main Street. Motion seconded by council Member Nancy Allred.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to deny Jeff Jones zoning permit for a shed at 91 E 100 S. Motion seconded by Council Member Courtney Syme.

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that Jeff Jones had applied to planning and zoning to build a shed but it did not meet the setbacks. It was proposed that an ordinance be proposed to deal with smaller lots and setbacks. At the last planning and zoning meeting it was determined that a new ordinance was not needed because Mr. Jones could go to the Board of Adjustments. Because his time to ask for that meeting has timed out, we are putting this on the agenda to restart his time to seek a meeting with the Board of Adjustments.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Deny the permit
Nancy Allred	Deny the permit
Courtney Syme	Deny the permit
Paul Penrod	Deny the permit

Lawrence Gardner Code Proposal

Lawrence Gardner asked that the city let him gather a committee to help write city ordinances. Lawrence stated that he had served on planning & zoning for seven years. He is a writer and knows how to write documents. He stated that he has written many documents including the code we use now. Mayor Chris Anderson stated that he appreciates the proposal, and that the city is talking to Six County about a shared city administrator that they are trying to hire to help smaller cities. He shared that he has been talking to the League of Cities and Towns and they have said that they can help us for a fee.

Veterans Day Lunch

Council Member Courtney Syme stated that Veterans Day is coming up and an honor guard is coming on Veterans Day to do an arms ceremony. There is a proposal made by a citizen to ask the city to donate money to help with a luncheon after the programs. Robert Buckner stated that when word got out about supporting a luncheon for the honor guard, he received donations already. Mayor Chris Anderson told him that perhaps private donors would help. He pledged, personally, \$100. Council Member Courtney Syme stated that the Spring City Veterans Memorial can contribute to the honor guard. Elizabeth Allred stated that she would be willing to donate her time to help raise money for this project. Robert will help the mayor write a letter for the Spring City newspaper. They will strive to raise \$25 for each person in the Honor Guard. Perhaps Whit can put an announcement on the website and in the utility billing.

Chief Huff Police Report

Council Member Courtney Syme stated that Chief Huff is here to give us an activity report. Chief Chad Huff stated that he started here in Spring City on January 5, 2022. He presented a history of caseloads that range over the last ten years for the dates of January 5th to October 6th. The number of cases for the last ten years are as follows: 2012, 54 cases, 2013, 73 cases, 2014, 65 cases, 2015, 156 cases, 2016, 155 cases, 2017, 263 cases, 2018, 219 cases, 2019, 229 cases, 2020, 349 cases, 2021, 170 cases, 2022, 319 cases. There have been 17 arrests this year. Chief Huff then gave a rundown of the type of cases that he deals with. He tries to be visible in the town for people to see him and be able to talk to him.

Light in Front of City Hall

Council Member Tim Clark stated that some citizens have requested a light in front of city hall. In the winter it is very dark when city meetings let out. Kent, our power superintendent, stated that there are two lights that are in the park that are not being used now because neighbors say they are too bright. Our power department can move those to the front of the city hall. There is a possibility a timer can be put on the lights to turn off at a certain time. Kent feels that the lights are needed.

Council Member Courtney Syme motioned to approve the lights out in front of city hall and proceed with getting them installed. Motion seconded by Council Member Nancy Allred.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Cody Hansen Sewer Hookup

Cory Seegmiller, neighbor and representing Cody Hansen, stated that he is trying to help Cody be able to save some money and still be able to connect to the sewer. He would like to see Cody Hansen be able to connect to the sewer across his property to 400 S instead of going straight out of Cory's property to the city easement down to 400 S and connect. Cody would still be responsible for the sewer pipe. The easement through his property would be between the two of them and the city would have no responsibility. Mayor Anderson stated that our engineering firm didn't think our code is clear one way or another. They gave us what the best practice would be. Concerning the easement, the city would not be any part of that, but we would need to make sure that it is recorded, that it is perpetual and that you cannot build on top of it. Workers will need to come and access it anytime. Because we received a letter from Cody's legal counsel, we have provided it to our legal counsel and are waiting for his response. We will not act against his council.

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to approve the Cody Hansen sewer hook-up upon conformation from the city's legal counsel. **Motion seconded by council Member Tim Clark.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Approving Water Projects Outside the City Limits

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that this is addressing the council's position on allowing culinary water hook-ups outside of city limits.

Council Member Courtney Syme motioned that Spring City Corporation does not approve any water services outside the city limits until we have a comprehensive legal plan and ordinance passed by the city council that addresses how, when, and where we provide water outside the city limits. **Motion seconded by Council Member Nancy Allred.**

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Approve
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Planning and Zoning Approve Sheds Under 200 Feet

Mayor Chris Anderson proposed to give the authority to Planning and Zoning to approve the small structures 200' or less. This needs to be done by ordinance so that will be coming up.

West Well Fill and Cap

Mayor Chris Anderson stated that this is the well that has been brought up for the last few months. We now have bids to fill and cap this well. The bids are \$45,000 from Mike Zimmerman Well Service, \$22,200 from Widdison, \$19,800 from 4-D, and \$15,000 from Stewart Drilling. Mayor Chris Anderson stated that this is something ARPA funds can cover.

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to approve the Setwart Drilling Company to come and fill the well on 200 W 200 S. **Motion seconded by council Member Tim Clark.**

1. Vote:
2. Craig Clark Absent
3. Tim Clark Yes
4. Nancy Allred Yes
5. Courtney Syme Yes
6. Paul Penrod Yes

Meter Reader System

Council Member Tim Clark stated that our meter reading system is old, out of date, and having problems. Kent stated that we are having problems with the ten ERT numbers. Kent and Cory met with the different vendors. There is one company for water called Hydro Specialties and the price from them is \$24,173. The one company for power is called Power West and the price from them is \$20,380. The Power West price without a computer to run it. Our IT company will get us a computer for \$2,400 instead of the \$7,000 one Power West wanted us to have. Cory and Kent would like to go with Power West. It will work with the mapping system and will be able to connect to a directional antenna. This will save time and money. This will be paid for by dividing up the water and power meters and the cost will be split between the two funds that way.

Council Member Tim Clark motioned to proceed with the new meter reading system from Power West and a new computer from our IT people. **Motion seconded by council Member Nancy Allred.**

- Vote:
Craig Clark Absent
Tim Clark Yes
Nancy Allred Yes
Courtney Syme Yes
Paul Penrod Yes

Delinquent Account Exceptions

There were no accounts brought forward

Financial Report for September 2022

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to approve the financial report for September 2022. **Motion seconded by Council Member Courtney Syme.**

- Vote:
Craig Clark Absent
Tim Clark Yes
Nancy Allred Yes
Courtney Syme Yes
Paul Penrod Yes

Payment of Bills

Council Member Tim Clark motioned to pay the bills. Motion seconded by Council Member Nancy Allred.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Minutes for September 1, 2022, City Council Meeting

Council Member Courtney Syme motioned to approve the minutes for the council meeting on September 1, 2022. Motion seconded by Council Member Nancy Allred.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Minutes for September 14, 2022, City Council and Planning and Zoning Work Meeting

Council Member Nancy Allred motioned to approve the minutes for the September 14, 2022, City Council and Planning and Zoning work meeting. Motion seconded by Council Member Tim Clark.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

A motion was made by Council Member Nancy Allred to adjourn the Council meeting.

Council member seconded the motioned Courtney Syme.

Vote:

Craig Clark	Absent
Tim Clark	Yes
Nancy Allred	Yes
Courtney Syme	Yes
Paul Penrod	Yes

Adjournment: 8:58

APPROVED

