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THE COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON AUGUST 17, 2022, AT THE HOUR OF 6:30 P.M. AT THE BINGHAM CANYON LIONS CLUB, 8725 W HILLCREST ST., COPPERTON, UTAH.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESENT: TESSA STITZER
KATHLEEN BAILEY
DAVE OLSEN
SEAN CLAYTON, Chair
KEVIN SEVERSON

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: NATHAN BRACKEN, LEGAL COUNSEL
SHERRIE SWENSEN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK
By: AMY PITT, DEPUTY CLERK
NICHOLE WATT, DEPUTY CLERK

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Mayor Clayton, Chair, presided.

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Regular Council Meeting

Community Input

Recognize Visiting Officials

There were no visiting officials.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Unified Fire Authority (UFA)

Ed Walden, UFA, stated seismic work would start on Copperton station next month. UFA will do roof and interior work while the officers live there. Construction in Magna is coming along. UFA hopes to move into Midvale station next month. Wildland teams has been

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deployed to surrounding states. Wildfire season is winding down. Eighty-seven recruits are moving forward. The Kulture Krash Car Show planned for October 1st. Two members of the Utah Task Force One team are in Puerto Rico helping with the aftermath of the earthquake.

Unified Police Department (UPD)

Detective Harry Holt, UPD, stated there were forty calls for service resulting in ten cases. Another catalytic converter was stolen from Kennecott property. There have been four or five stolen over the last six months.



Council Business

Unified Fire Authority (UFA) – Standards of Cover

Chief Dominic Burchett, UFA, stated UFA has been working for the last four to five years on Standards of Cover documents, which outline risks in the community. Due to the size of the service area, UFA has had each municipality complete its own Standards of Cover document and these will be compiled into a larger document. He reviewed the risks UFA identified in the Copperton Community Risk Assessment. UFA anticipates growth in the next twenty years.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Olsen, seconded by Council Member Severson, motioned to approve the minutes from July 20, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

Fiscal Items

Mayor Clayton reviewed the attorney bill for \$4,430.00 for legal services for the month of August.

Council Member Stitzer, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to approve the invoice. The motion passed unanimously.

Park Update

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Council Member Bailey stated she spoke with the park arborist regarding a discrepancy between the quote and the bill. He will adjust the bill to the correct amount. He will also submit a plan for the trees that are dying due to black mold and need to be removed. She will send a request to Parks and Recreation to see if they can remove the trees the way the arborist recommends. If it cannot, the arborist can do it.

Mayor Clayton asked if the tree removal could be done before the year end.

Council Member Bailey stated she would check with the arborist to see.

Mayor Clayton stated the Council is looking at insuring the play structure in the park against damage. The policy would be relatively inexpensive.

Copperton Code Rewrite

Nathan Bracken, Legal Counsel, stated the Municipal Services District (MSD) has completed the second tranche of the Title 19 rewrite. He reviewed the rewrite with the MSD, and they had discussed holding a work session to make the changes Copperton-specific. Under the current code inherited from Salt Lake County, appeals go through a Land Use Hearing Officer, which Copperton does not currently have. Another option would be to have appeals go to a trained Administrative Law Judge (ALJ).

Mayor Clayton stated he would prefer an ALJ because if Copperton were to ever have a City Manager, they might be biased to want to please the Council. An ALJ would probably be fairer.

The Council decided to hold a special meeting at 6:00 on October 19th, 2022, a half hour prior to the regular meeting, to discuss the Copperton code re-write.

Copperton Storm Drain Master Plan

Mayor Clayton stated after a Copperton resident sustained extensive flooding storm drain damage to his home a couple years prior, the Council commissioned a study with a consultant from Boeing Collins and Salt Lake County Engineering.

Steven Kuhlmeier, Salt Lake County Engineering and Flood Control, stated the objective of the Copperton Storm Drain Master Plan was to identify all the known storm drains in Copperton and then, working with Boeing Collins, create a report that compiles a list of capital improvement.

Greg Loscher, Principal, Boeing Collins, presented the Copperton Storm Drain Master Plan dated September 2022. As Copperton land is developed, the impervious areas contribute to more runoff than the natural landscape would. This master plan focuses on areas

where storm drains are insufficient/missing, identifies maintenance and replacement needs, and, where possible, moves storm drains into the public right-of-way.

The study area consists of 465 acres. Only 15% is developed and the rest is private land belonging to Rio Tinto. Everything flows from the mountains and into Bingham Creek. There are two main pipes; one runs through the state highway and the other through Park Street. Both empty into the wash. There is some infrastructure in the west part of town that is not connected. The water bubbles up and eventually will find a pipe. There are twenty-seven subbasins in the study area. The pipes are in reasonably good condition considering their age. Some areas are missing pipes, causing water to run into the street before it can be picked up again. The priority is the area of known flooding on Apex Road and Park Street, and the recommendation is to bring in more pipe. This would cost about \$3 million and would be done in six projects which can be completed over time. As some of the drains are located on private property, Copperton will need to figure out how to access the drains legally.

Council Member Olsen, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to approve the plan. The motion passed unanimously.

Oquirrh View Blvd Update

There were no updates.

Committee/Board Updates

➤ Legislative Research Committee

Nathan Bracken stated there may be some legislation on short-term rentals. Copperton may want to think about short-term rentals as a way of generating extra revenue.

➤ Bingham Cemetery Board

Council Member Stitzer stated the Municipal Service District (MSD) is providing regular monthly reports on the balance in the trust account.

➤ Copperton Community Council

Council Member Stitzer stated Copperton Town Days was very successful. It was able to raise a lot of funds. The Halloween contest will be coming up. Bingo is ending, and the senior luncheon will be posted. She asked Ryan Perry to discuss storm efforts.

Ryan Perry, Rio Tinto, stated there will be an announcement on Tuesday that the mine will be going underground. The operation will be in the pit itself. Rio Tinto does not anticipate much of a community impact.

- Planning Commission

Nothing to report

Copperton Metro Township Council Member Reports

- Council Member Clayton

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD)
Council of Governments (COG)

Mayor Clayton stated the MSD has a new Director of Finance. It is currently going through the budgeting process. The MSD must have a Justice Court and is currently contracting with Salt Lake County, but there are concerns because the Salt Lake County Court is currently being audited by the Salt Lake County Auditor due to their billing practices and excessive fund balances. The MSD is also considering an audit, and may decide to contract with West Jordan City, along with Kearns and Magna. He intends to ask for a budget item for the first storm drain project.

The COG did not meet.

- Council Member Olsen

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

Council Member Olsen stated UPD formed a new committee to be chaired by Midvale Mayor Marcus Stevenson. This committee will work on operations study and funding review.

The SLVLESA Board voted against allowing a further tax hike. They are looking for other sources of revenue. One consideration is using the MET tax, of which Copperton's portion would be \$42,000. All the Metro Townships would need to be on board. Without property tax or MET revenue, SLVLESA would need to cut services.

Mayor Clayton, Council Member Stitzer, Council Member Olsen, and Council Member Severson spoke in opposition to using the tax.

- Council Member Bailey

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

Ed Walden, UFA, stated Chief Burchett had previously talked about increasing services and improving response times, but there is really no way to improve response times in Copperton because the station is so small. He will work with Council Member Bailey on organizing

a pancake breakfast at the fire station.

- Council Member Stitzer

Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)

Council Member Stitzer stated WFWRD conducted an annual fraud risk assessment and is doing well. There is little risk for fraud. It is discussing fee increases. These will not affect taxes. It would be small; around 50 cents to a dollar annually or quarterly. Nothing has been adopted at this time. Pam Roberts, General Manager, will come and explain the increases. There is a lot of growth in the service area, particularly in Magna. WFWRD is trying to focus energy on services rather than administrative costs. It will meet Monday, September 26, to continue the discussion.

- Council Member Severson

Salt Lake County Animal Services

Council Member Severson stated the SPAYghetti and No Balls fundraising event sold out and raised \$133,000. There were a lot of great sponsors, and it was very successful. Petapalooza will be September 24, 2022, at Wheeler Historic Farm. It will be a major adoption event with half off fees, free microchipping, etc.



Other Announcements

Citizen Comments

Ranuta Alder asked if she would have input as a homeowner on where the curb and gutter on the east corner of Solstice and the highway would go. She also stated there were issues with the school busses being late and not calling.

Mayor Clayton stated he was unsure if homeowners would have input as this would be part of phase two of the plan.

Council Member Stitzer suggested inviting someone from Jordan School District to speak on the issue of school busses being consistently late.

Jerry Alder thanked the Council and the local citizens and members of the local LDS ward for the help with the flooding of his house and for the donations. He also asked some questions pertaining to code enforcement.

Nathan Bracken explained how code enforcement works and that Copperton recently revamped the code and tries to take a softer approach by giving warnings beforehand.



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Announcements

There were no announcements.

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

SHERRIE SWENSEN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By _____
Deputy Clerk

CHAIR, COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

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