

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM CITY HALL  
5 SOUTH MAIN, EPHRAIM, UTAH  
NOVEMBER 16, 2022  
6:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Ephraim City Council convened in a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, in the City Council Room. Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**OPENING CEREMONY**

At the invitation of the Mayor, Richard Wheeler offered an invocation. Alma Lund led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Scott, Mayor  
Tyler Alder,  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Margie Anderson  
Alma Lund  
Richard Wheeler  
Lloyd Stevens

**STAFF PRESENT**

Shaun Kjar, City Manager  
Candice Maudsley,  
City Recorder  
Bryan Kimball,  
Community Development

Jon Knudsen, Finance Dir.  
Jeff Jensen, Public Works  
Cory Daniels, Power Dir.  
Aaron Broomhead, Police  
Jeff Hermansen, Fire Chief  
Michael Patton, Rec Dir.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cycle Sanpete is advocating for bicycle paths along Highway 89. Jill Colby is affiliated with Bike Utah. Governor Herbert initiated a 1000 miles of family-friendly bike trails goal. Of the 1000, 664 miles of bike trail have been built, 336 miles have yet to be built. UDOT has the money allocated for these types of projects. It up to the municipalities to advocate for the paths to be built here. Support has been expressed by Ephraim City in this endeavor.

**PRESENTATIONS AND VERBAL PETITIONS**

**PROCLAMATION 22-01 PHIL MURRAY DAY (MAYOR JOHN SCOTT)**

Two weeks ago, resident, and local icon, Phil Murray, passed away. Mayor John Scott executed a Proclamation to make November 18, 2022, Phil Murray Day. Vickie Murray spoke to the

council and expressed her appreciation. The date chosen for Phil Murray Day is their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary.

#### **AUDIT PRESENTATION (LARSON & COMPANY)**

Jon Larson presented the audit report. The full audit report was given to each council member. It will be posted on the city's website for the public to view. There were no audit findings for the fiscal year audited.

#### **UTAH WELLBEING SURVEY (COURTNEY FLINT)**

Courtney Flint from USU presented the results of the Utah Wellbeing Survey. This project is run throughout the state from small cities to large cities. This is a no-cost partnership with Ephraim City. 72% of residents said their personal well-being was rated between a four and five on a scale of one to five. The community and personal wellbeing have improved in the past year. Physical and mental health are areas that need improvement in the survey. The full survey for Ephraim can be found at this address: <https://www.usu.edu/utah-wellbeing-project/reports/2022/ephrain-wellbeing-survey-findings-2022>

#### **IPP RENEWAL PROJECT UPDATE (JOHN WARD)**

John Ward the Director of Communications for the Intermountain Power Agency gave a presentation about the future of the Hunter Power Plant. The project started in 1977 and is owned by 23 municipalities. Many municipalities called back their power from California over the past year. It has saved Utah cities a significant amount of money. The IPP Renewed Project will transition from coal to 70 % natural gas and 30% green hydrogen. This will keep the plant running until 2077 rather than 2025. The water usage in the plant is projected to have 50% less water usage than the coal plant had at full capacity.

#### **APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER**

The Council reviewed the Warrant Register of November 14, 2022.

*Councilmember Stevens moved to approve the November 14, 2022, Warrant Register as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lund. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Council reviewed the minutes of the November 2, 2022 Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meetings.

*Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the November 2, 2022 Council Work Meeting and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

#### **APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

##### **Margie Anderson**

**Youth City Council** – Thank you to YCC for putting up the veteran's flags.

### **Alma Lund**

**Fire Board** – The Mayor was asked to discuss fire inspections with other cities at the Mayors and Commissioners meeting.

### **Mayor Scott**

**Mayors and Commissioners Meeting-** There was a presentation by Sheriff Buchanan about the pay scales for police officers in the county. The Central Utah Water Project was discussed. The assessment is a large amount of money and could be used in other areas in the county and possibly for law enforcement.

**Federal Money-** There is concern about the federal budget being approved as Ephraim has a line item included for federal funds. It should be known if it is approved in mid-December.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

- Community Impact Board- The CIB Board awarded Ephraim City a grant and loan combination of 1 million dollars. The loan portion only has an interest rate of 1.5%.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

*Councilmember Anderson moved to go into a closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Utah State Code, Section(s) 52-4-205, for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wheeler. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Councilmembers Lund, Stevens, Wheeler, Anderson, and Alder was absent. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

*The Closed Meeting began at 7:39 p.m.*

*At 8:09 p.m. Councilmember Lund moved the Council adjourn the closed session and reopen the public meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business to come before the Council for consideration, Councilmember Wheeler moved the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.*

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Ephraim City Council room.

### **MINUTES APPROVED:**

  
John Scott, Mayor

12-7-22  
Date

ATTEST:

  
Candice Maudsley, City Recorder



12-7-22  
Date