

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

7:00 pm

January 18, 2023

38 West Center Street.

### **Roll Call:**

Councilor Rod Taylor, Councilor Mike Wanner, Mayor Lori Nay, Councilor Stella Hill, Councilor Robert Andersen

### **Invocation/Inspirational Thought:**

Given by Robert Andersen

### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Led by Mayor Lori Nay

### **Public Forum:**

Holly Sweeten with Burges Owens office: Holly stated that she is the outreach director for Burges Sweeten. She wanted to let the Council know that they are here to serve them and to be accessible to them. Her office provides constituent services with case workers and a director to help with IRs, Veterans, and Passports. They have a mobile office that will be in Gunnison in April. She stated that when they come to Gunnison they will be in contact with the City and would like to use a room at the City Hall. Her office also focuses on public outreach; she stated that they love to go out into the communities and to be involved in the communities, schools, municipalities, businesses, etc.. More information is available at [owens.house.gov](http://owens.house.gov)

### **Minutes – January 4, 2023, Regular Council Meeting:**

Rod Taylor stated that the minutes needed to state that it was the electrical box in the pavilion at the park that was unsafe.

Councilor Hill made a motion to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for January 4, 2023 with the changes discussed, Councilor Andersen seconded the motion.

### **Roll Call:**

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

### **Bills for period ending January 13, 2023, totaling \$1,648,917.69:**

Councilor Andersen made a motion to approve the bills for the period ending January 13, 2023, totaling \$1,648,917.69, Councilor Wanner seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

**New Business**

**Discussion and Possible Action Regarding City Recorder Training Request:**

City Recorder Valerie Andersen is requesting to go to Institute and Academy which will be held at S.U.U. on April 3-7.

Institute is a beginner to intermediate educational program designed to help individuals enhance their job performance and meet the challenges of the complex role of the municipal clerk. Institute is also the most efficient way to earn the 60 education points required by IIMC to earn the CMC designation.

Academy is an advanced continuing education program that prepares municipal clerks to perform complex municipal duties. It is also the most efficient way to earn the 60 advanced education points required by IIMC for their MMC designation.

Professional Development Day is an advanced continuing education program for those who have earned their MMC designation. It is provided during Academy to offer education and networking opportunities for seasoned professionals.

The Council went over the costs. The Mayor stated that she feels like this is a good training and she feels like this is a good investment to make in their City Recorder

Councilor Andersen made a motion to approve the City Recorder training request for Valerie Andersen, Councilor Hill seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

**Discussion Regarding 2021-22 Financial Audit:**

Gary Keddington went over the 2021-2022 Financial Audit with the Council. He stated that he has looked at all the cash accounts that the City has. He stated that some are available, and some are not. He stated that he moves some money around to show what they can spend.

7:56 P.M. Councilor Shawn Crane arrived

Gary and the Council discussed the available cash amounts in each of the accounts. Gary stated that he would be happy to go over any of this in detail with any of the Council members at any time.

The mayor stated that they needed to reschedule the Council retreat so JD and Gary could attend. The Council decided that they could push it to March 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Discussion Regarding City Reserve Funds:**

Gary Keddington went over the City Reserve Funds with the Council.

### **Discussion Regarding 2023 4th of July Celebration:**

Mayor Lori Nay let the Council know that they needed to pick a date for the fourth of July Celebration. Valerie Andersen stated that Salina is doing their celebration on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. The Council decided that they want to do it on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Valerie has been working with Phil Harrold on looking into options for the concert for this year. One thing that the city is going to need to look at is bringing in more revenue during the celebration. One suggestion made by Phil was that the city goes around to some of the businesses in town to see if they would like to be ad sponsors. This would help with the costs and help bring in bigger artists every year. Mike Wanner will be in charge this year. He stated that he will work on getting his committee together. He will also get with Valerie to go over the business sponsors and the artist options.

## **Reports of Officers, Staff, Boards and Committees**

### **Gunnison Valley Hospital Report by Casey Dyreng:**

Casey Dyreng reported that Gunnison Valley Hospital is on sound footing financially. They are taking advantage of a government program that has helped them greatly. He feels like they are doing great things to build the hospital. They are having new clinics built as well as a new ambulance shed, they are also refreshing some of the clinics on Snow campus. They are building a clinic in Manti and are working with Snow College to get a clinic put in there. One large change that they have had is the addition of clinics over the last few years. They have now added veterans' services. They are also working on getting more business through the prison. He stated the prison contract for medical procedures is through U of U and that they will take a prisoner up north rather than to the Gunnison Hospital.

Lori stated that they spoke with Steve Lund today and that they did bring up the hospital and how well it has done for 90 years. She doesn't want a big company to come and take away from them.

Casey stated that he is very excited to see the growth and changes that are happening throughout Gunnison.

### **JD Bunnell:**

Sewer meters were installed at the lagoons. He stated that the way that it is set up Centerfields will read theirs and the Gunnison's will read both. He spoke with Garick Willden about moving the city's meter to where it would be more accurate. He stated that he has spoken with Stewart

Jensen with Centerfield and that they are under the understanding that once the readings are more accurate that they will probably owe Gunnison more money for the project.

He also stated that they have had some people in town that have noticed chlorine taste in their water. JD stated that they have to have a little bit of residual in the system. He stated that they need to have it this way so that they can have clean samples.

He also stated that Cluff Drilling was supposed to pump test the Tarr Canyon well but they came across some issues and haven't been able to get this done.

The other test well is at about 150 ft and is currently in clay.

He also stated that have been trying to keep up on the snow the best that they can.

### **Dennis Marker:**

He stated that he has been working on the process for minor subdivisions. He stated that he had a meeting with Mike, Rod, Janelle, and the Mayor to review the progress. The first draft for the code amendment will be presented to P&Z next week.

### **Valerie Andersen:**

Valerie stated that she got the business license renewals sent out last week and that they are already getting some responses. She also stated that she downloaded the check list to get started on the W2's, but one of the steps is telling her that she doesn't have access. She said that she emailed our financial software vendor, Caselle, and that she was supposed to receive a phone call today but did not. She will contact them in the morning to make sure that this gets going. The W2's, 1099's and quarterly reports are all due at the end of month and may require some late nights to make sure these are all completed in time.

### **Financial Statement for December 2022:**

The Council was provided with the financial statement for December 2022. They took some time to look over this. They discussed the percentages for each department. Gary Keddington let them know that some things need to be moved and that it will change a little.

### **Open Public Meetings Training:**

Dennis Marker stated that there are still some Council members that need to do the Open Public Meetings training. Valerie Andersen played the training video, and the Council all completed the training provided by the state.

## **Reports by Mayor and Council Members**

### **Councilor Stella Hill:**

Stated that on 1<sup>st</sup> North she is noticing that they are getting large amounts of water on the roads. The mayor stated that they need to get proper sloping done on the roads throughout town. She also said that she has been talking to JD about getting new Christmas decorations.

**Mayor Lori Nay:**

She went with the City Manager and Councilor Wanner to Salt Lake and spoke with their representatives at the Capital. They gave Rep. Steve Lund a list of things we need help with. She stated one of the main things is the wells. She stated that where they provide water to the prison that it becomes a state issue. The second thing is the industrial park. They also talked about the Hospital. She stated with rural areas water is always an issue. She stated that Steve shows a lot of interest in helping out with the community.

Mike stated that he felt very confident in the conversations that they had.

She stated that the state representatives don't know our problems unless we speak to them.

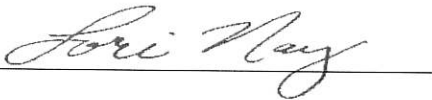
**Adjournment:**

Councilor Taylor made a motion to adjourn, Councilor Wanner seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Taylor: Yes, Wanner: Yes, Crane: Yes, Hill: Yes, Andersen: Yes

9:00 P.M. Adjourn



Lori Nay, Mayor

Approval Date:

February 1st, 2023

Attest/



Valerie Andersen, City Recorder