

Meeting of the Castle Dale City Council
20 South 100 East, Castle Dale, UT 84513
January 12, 2023 7:00 p.m.

In attendance:

Danny Van Wagoner	Mayor	Present
Joel Dorsch	Council Member	Present
Julie Johansen	Council Member	Present
Brad Giles	Council Member	Present
Michael Jorgensen	Council Member	Present
Ignacio Arrien	Maintenance Supervisor	Present
Britni Moreno	Fire Chief	Present
Duston Hague	Animal Control Officer	Present
Lael White	Recorder	Present
Tresa Skinner	Treasurer	Present
Kerry Lake	Land Use Administrator	Present

Also Present were Adriana Chimaras on Zoom, Julie, Steven Jeffery, and Terry Lofthouse.

Mayor Van Wagoner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Giles wanted the minutes to say Jefferson Manning's resignation was effective immediately. Councilmember Jorgensen corrected some typos.

Councilmember Giles moved to approve the minutes of December 8, 2022. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Giles, Johansen, and Jorgensen.

Nays: None

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Land Use Committee

Kerry Lake: We did not have a meeting last month. I have several Zoning requests and some coming up. We will need a new Secretary.

Interviews and Voting on New Council Member

Councilmember Giles asked both Candidates what will be your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd most important responsibilities, and how would you fulfill them?

Terry Lofthouse: Make the citizens feel this is their home, enforce laws and ordinances, encourage them to come to Council Meetings.

Adriana Chimaras: Listen to Citizens, Serving the Community, Doing so with candor, mailings and good communications.

Councilmember Jorgensen asked for 2-3 positives, and 1 or 2 negatives about living in Castle Dale

Adriana Chimaras: The people here are open and honest, accepting and kind. The proximity to rock climbing and the San Rafael Swell.

Negatives are the changes that are happening that are causing contention. They could be looked on as an opportunity for growth.

Terry Lofthouse. The desert and the mountains, I love the people. If I didn't like it here, I would have moved before now.

Councilmember Johansen referred to the General Plan which advises balancing rural values with economic growth.

Terry Lofthouse. I would encourage new businesses to come that can create and maintain jobs.

Adriana Chimaras We need to acknowledge the work that has been done. The LUC has been very active. We need good policies in place so we don't overdevelop. Diversification doesn't mean replacing what is already here.

Mayor Van Wagoner asked what is your biggest wish.

Adriana Chimaras. A Strategic Plan that understands the available resources funneled through the Citizens. Move forward and promote Main Street Events.

Terry Lofthouse: Economic Development to provide income and more jobs. Protect the youth and provide entertainment for them.

The Council voted by ballot.

Mayor Van Wagoner thanked both candidates and said the voting was three for Adriana, and one for Terry.

Adriana will be sworn in when she gets back to town.

Beautification Committee

The council decided to table this and will vote on new members for the Beautification Committee and the Land Use Committee next month. Councilmember Johansen reminded them that she asked each member to name a candidate for the Beautification Committee.

Safety Awards

Ignacio Arrien: There was only one workplace accident last year, with a Volunteer Firefighter. According to our policy, each permanent employee will receive a Safety Bonus of \$150. That will include, Nosh, Duston, Seth, Shelby, Tresa and Lael

Maintenance Report

Arrien: We have been busy plowing snow, it has slowed other work down, and we only have two plows now.. The Christmas decorations are down. Next week we will work on the Fire Station. In February and March we will install the surveillance cameras with help from the County. The feeds will be available on the County's website.

Animal Control

Duston Hague: It has been very quiet. Rob Jackson is starting a feral cat shelter. We need to advertise dog tags.

Fire Dept Report

Chief Britni Moreno: We had 28 callouts in 2022. Ten were assisting other Cities, six were structure fires including two in Castle Dale. The crew has done a good job. We had our annual Awards Event in December. Jamie Robertson was awarded Firefighter of the Year. He responded to 25 of the 28 Callouts. Treyson Tuttle attended the most meetings, and Jane Heinegar had the most training hours. The firefighters each have an average of 250 training hours each year. Winter Fire School is next week, and Moreno is going alone.

Treasurer and Recorder Reports

Treasurer Tresa Skinner reported on Sales Tax revenue of \$29,078, an increase of \$1,548 from last year. Transportation Tax was \$2,542.03, an increase of \$79 from last year. The Transient Room tax was \$252.

Council Reports

Councilmember Giles reported that the CVSSD received very favorable terms for their new grant/loan for projects. Councilmember Dorsch reported that the Ice Rink is very popular. May Van Wagoner noted that Joel's Grand daughter is working a lot at the ice rink, and is thankful for her service.

Councilmember Giles moved to approve paying the bills. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Giles, Johansen, and Jorgensen.

Nays: None

Councilmember Giles moved to go into Executive Session, to discuss personnel, water, issues.. Councilmember Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Giles, Johansen, and Jorgensen.

Nays: None

Councilmember Giles moved to adjourn the executive session. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Giles, Johansen, and Jorgensen.

Nays: None

Councilmember Johansen moved to adjourn. Councilmember Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Dorsch, Giles, Johansen, and Jorgensen.

Nays: None