

Meeting of the Castle Dale City Council
20 South 100 East, Castle Dale, UT 84513
March 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
Adriana Chimaras	Council Member	Present
Ignacio Arrien	Maintenance Supervisor	Present
Britni Moreno	Fire Chief	Absent
Lael White	Recorder	Present
Tresa Skinner	Treasurer	Present
Kerry Lake	Land Use Administrator	Present

Also Present were Darrin Woolsey, Mike Royal, Terry Lofthouse, and Kevin Jensen

Mayor Van Wagoner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

An edit on approval of minutes was made.

Councilmember Johansen moved to approve the Minutes of March 9, 2023. Councilmember Giles seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Emery County EMT's

Commissioner Kevin Jensen gave the Council a handout on the Emergency Medical Services in Emery County. The previous Commission created a Special Service District, but it was not working properly. He would like each City to appoint a representative to the Board. The County

will hire a full time, paid Director. There will be Garage Leads in each City, approved by the City Council. (Orangeville and Castle Dale have a combined garage.) The Garage Lead will be paid, and each City can vote on additional merit pay. The monies will come out of Mineral Lease money, and other State money. The Cities will not incur any expense.

Councilmember Johansen was concerned about the lack of coverage in some Cities. Commissioner Giles commented that this is a step in the right direction. It will create accountability, and with the City Councils involved, it could enhance recruitment.

Ghost Road Trail

Mayor Van Wagoner gave the Council information on Grants obtained for the Ghost Road Trail. He has determined that the trail needs to be paved from the beginning. The low bid for the construction and paving is \$284,000. We do not have enough grants for this and are now actively pursuing more funding. He is asking the Council to approve the City making up the difference if it is needed.

Darrin Woolsey told the Council that he walks the Ghost Road twice a day, to and from work. He sees others using the road and is jealous of towns that have dedicated bike/walking trails. Darrin thinks this is a good use of the City's money. He will donate \$2,000 of his own money to the trail, and knows of others who will do the same.

Mayor Van Wagoner: We have \$157,000 pledged. We have the money available, and have to decide tonight, or we will lose the bid.

Councilmember Chimaras moved to have the City General Fund be used to pay for the remainder of the Ghost Road Trail.. Councilmember Johansen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Councilmember Chimaras mentioned UDOT Grants. She will forward the information to the office.

Cemetery Ordinance

Councilmember Dorsch referenced the Cemetery Ordinance amendment. It was discussed last year, but never voted on. The changes are about unauthorized decorations, and landscaping on graves. Nosh Arrien informed the Council of the difficulty of burying more than two cremains in one grave plot. The amendment was changed to allow two cremains in one grave instead of four. Dorsch wants the Amendment to reference the previous Ordinance it replaces.

Councilmember Giles moved to approve the amendment to the Cemetery Ordinance..

Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Development Code: Abandoned Vehicles

Ignacio Arrien: I found out that two different chapters of the Land Use Code reference abandoned vehicles on City Property, including streets. One said the City had to wait 30 days after notification. The other one did not. He wants to take out the 30 day notice. Since this is the Development Code we will need to have a Public Hearing next month. Kerry Lake wanted him to attend the Land Use Committee Meeting On April 26.

Councilmember Giles moved to table this until May, and have a Public Hearing. Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Fire Station Roof

Ignacio Arrien, Maintenance Supervisor showed the Council pictures of the Fire Station Roof. It has multiple leaks. There is mold in some of the supports. The roof will need to be replaced.

Councilmember Giles moved to obtain bids and replace the Fire Station roof. Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Approve Emergency Operation Plan with Emery County

Councilmember Johansen: We have always adopted the County's Emergency Operation Plan. The Council was given the binder containing the plan.

Councilmember Johansen moved to adopt the Emery County Emergency Operation Plan.. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

New Code Enforcement/Animal Control Officer

Mayor Van Wagoner recommended Terry Lofthouse for the new position of Animal Control, Code Enforcement Officer.

Councilmember Giles moved to approve appointing Terry Lofthouse as Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer. Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.

Nays: None

Land Use Committee

Kerry Lake: This will be his last Council Meeting for a while. He is retiring from the School District, and can't work for any government agency for 90 days. Ted Allen will fill in during that time. Kerry will be at this month's LUC meeting.

At the last meeting, the Business License applicant didn't show up. They discussed the landscape rebate program. The Council is split on this issue, They decided to not pass the changes at this time.

.Treasurer and Recorder Reports

Treasurer Tresa Skinner reported on Sales Tax, Transportation Tax and Transient Room tax. Sales Tax was \$34,092 an increase of \$5,380 from last year. Transportation Tax was \$3,090, an increase of \$513. Transient Room tax was \$313.

Recorder Lael White reported that the Codification was almost finished. They will be starting on next year's budget next week. She will be asking for input from areas of responsibility.

Mayor Van Wagoner asked that Tresa do the actual typing so she can learn how to prepare a budget. Nosh asked for the templates.

Council Reports

Councilmember Johansen said that when your utilities, gas, water etc are interrupted, you should call 811. The same number as Bluestakes.

Councilmember Jorgensen thanked Terry Lofthouse for taking the Code Enforcer/Animal Control position.

Councilmember Giles told the Council that UDOT has agreed to put in curb and gutter on the north side of Main Street to Maverik. The City will contract with CVSSD to install the sidewalk.

He has been trying for ten years to get the highway widened to four lanes to the road to the desert, and across the bridge over Cottonwood Creek. He will keep trying.

UDOT has agreed to put Safety Lights at the intersection of Highways 10 and 29. They will need a letter from the City.

Councilmember Chimaras will email some grant information to Lael. She is working on the Main Street Committee, and a calendar for Youth City Council.

Councilmember Dorsch would like to meet with the codifiers, and also talk about a backup to the Google Drives.

Mayor Van Wagoner said Emery Water Conservancy District is releasing water from Joe's Valley Dam in anticipation of the snowmelt. He is looking for a City Attorney.

Councilmember Johansen moved to approve paying the bills. Councilmember Chimaras seconded the motion.

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.
Nays: None

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

Result: Approved

Ayes: Johansen, Jorgensen, Chimaras, Giles, and Dorsch.
Nays: None