

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON APRIL 26, 2023 AT THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN HALL
52 SOUTH PARK STREET, RUSH VALLEY, UTAH
THE MEETING BEGAN AT 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor and Council Members Present: Pete Albrecht and Dana Gardner. Lacey Burrows and Jeremiah Harding were not present.

Appointed Officers and Employees Present. Attorney Rob Clegg, Clerk/Recorder Patty Rowe and Engineer Doug Kinsman

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

- 2. Sheriff's Report.** Lieutenant Clinton reported that last month there were seven total details, zero arrests and 19 citations.

Nic Jensen with Rocky Mountain Power was at the meeting to introduce himself as the town's point of contact for power needs. He is available to help with most issues except power outages. Residents should call the hotline number for outages. Mayor Brian Johnson asked for Mr. Jensen to look at the sagging power lines around town.

- 3. Consideration of an Ordinance Adopting Chapter 7A – Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in the Land Use Management and Development Code.** Mayor Johnson made a motion to table consideration of the ADU ordinance until the next meeting when more councilmembers are present. Councilmember Dana Gardner seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 4. Amendment to Price of Shed Purchased for Cemetery.** Mayor Johnson said the original approval was for \$4,115 and the actual price was \$4,861. Councilmember Pete Albrecht made a motion to amend the price of the shed. Councilmember Gardner seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 5. Consideration to Surplus Old Shed at St. John Cemetery.** Councilmember Lacey Burrows is hoping to remove the old shed without demolishing it. If that is successful, she would like to surplus the shed. Mayor Johnson made a motion to surplus the old shed, if possible. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 6. Approval to Purchase Weather Meters for Brush Trucks.** Councilmember Albrecht said that for safety compliance, meters are necessary for all fire trucks. The meters are \$200 each and Fire Chief Jason Bolinder would like to purchase three of them for a total of \$600. Mayor Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase of weather meters. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 7. Approval to Purchase Fire Hose for Brush Trucks.** Councilmember Albrecht said that last year some hoses were burned in fire and need to be replaced. Fire Chief Bolinder would like to purchase five 50-foot sections of hose for \$250 each for a total of \$1,250. Councilmember

Gardner made a motion to approve the purchase of the fire hose. Mayor Johnson seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

8. Approval to Pay McCormick & Sons Excavation for Paving of Triangles in St. John.

Councilmember Jeremiah Harding was not present at the meeting to discuss this agenda item. Councilmember Gardner made a motion to table this item. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

9. Approval to Spend Grant Money from Tooele Recreation Special Service District.

Councilmember Gardner said that we will be receiving \$15,000 of grant money that will be used to finish up the fencing, sidewalk and concrete around the town hall. Councilmember Gardner is waiting for a bid from the same company that did the previous work. Mayor Johnson made a motion to approve spending the \$15,000. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

New Agenda Item – Tooele County Council and Tourism Tax Advisory Board Grant.

Mayor Johnson asked for permission to add an additional agenda item. Councilmember Gardner made a motion to add the item. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. Mayor Johnson said the grant is for the Clover Church restoration and is \$17,500 with a match from the town. The restoration committee has worked hard to get these grants with the first grant being \$35,000 non-matching and the second grant \$17,500 with a match from the town. Mayor Johnson proposed that because the town matched the grant last year, the restoration committee should match this grant. They feel confident that they can raise the funds for the match. Councilmember Gardner made a motion to allow the committee to move forward with the tourism tax grant of \$17,500 with a match raised by them of \$17,500. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

10. Fire Department Report. Councilmember Albrecht said that dumpsters will be placed at the town hall for residents to use May 16 through May 22. He asked for people to be respectable and aware of what they put into the dumpsters and not leave anything on the ground around the dumpsters. Councilmember Albrecht reported that all apparatus is in good working condition.

11. Council Reports. Roads – Councilmember Harding was not present at the meeting.

Cemeteries – Councilmember Burrows was not present at the meeting.

Parks - Councilmember Gardner said that he replaced all the toilet paper roll holders in the town hall bathrooms, including the outdoor ones.

Councilmember Albrecht said that he has been attending a lot of meetings for emergency preparedness which is very helpful to our community. He reminded residents to assess their properties in preparation for any kind of disaster. Councilmember Albrecht asked residents to start knocking down any weeds or grasses that are a fire hazard. He also asked people to be prepared for flooding.

Mayor Johnson said that he has been meeting with county officials on flood mitigation and various issues. He has also been meeting with Vernon and Stockton regarding an agreement with the county on a fire department agreement. He is hopeful that the council will get more information in the next few months to decide on this matter.

- 12. Safety Topic.** Councilmember Albrecht presented the safety topic regarding measures that Rocky Mountain Power is taking for fire mitigation. He asked all residents to go to the Rocky Mountain Power website and update their contact information so that everyone can be notified of outages or safety concerns.
- 13. Payment of Bills.** Mayor Johnson noted that last month the final payment was made on the fire truck after 10 years. Mayor Johnson made a motion to accept the bills as written. Councilmember Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 14. Public Comments.** None
- 15. Adjourn.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Gardner seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:51 p.m.