



Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm

AGENDA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Duchesne City Council will be held at the Duchesne City Office Building, 500 East Main, Duchesne, UT at the above date and time. The agenda will be as follows:

1. Roll Call, Prayer, Pledge

Minutes:

- Mayor Rodney Rowley conducted the meeting. City Recorder, Kim Hanson, took minutes. City Council Members present were Jenny Adams, Jason Baker, Cody Ivie, and Danny Peatross. Council Member Hamilton was absent. Council Member Adams offered the prayer.
- Public Attendees: Debbie Fabrizio, Jessica North, Lane Genereaux, Savannah Spencer, Chanlee Moat, Lilly Moon, Taesha Moat, Rexlynn Jessen, Ryan Jessen, Chloe Brady, Bailey Kelsch, Kaitlyn Ivie, Shelly Mince, Kristin Kelsch, Cana Ivie, Nathan Skeen, Angel McRae, Danita Hinton, Clay Crozier (via Zoom), Deborah Herron.

2. Minutes

Minutes:

MOTION by Council Member Adams, seconded by Council Member Baker to approve the minutes from May 9, 2023.

- Council Member Adams– Aye
- Council Member Baker– Aye
- Council Member Ivie - Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

3. Business License

Minutes:

- Nathan Skeen, with Strike and Flow Martial Arts, applied for a business license to teach martial arts classes at Duchesne Elementary School.

MOTION by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Adams to approve the business license for Strike and Flow Martial Arts.

- Council Member Adams– Aye
- Council Member Baker– Aye
- Council Member Ivie - Aye
- Council Member Peatross– Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- Angel McRae with Mammacrae LLC, applied for a business license to do nails at Nourish.

MOTION by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Adams to approve the

business license for Mammacrae LLC.

- Council Member Adams– Aye
- Council Member Baker– Aye
- Council Member Ivie - Aye
- Council Member Peatross– Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. DHS Tennis Team - Cana Ivie

Minutes:

Savannah Spencer approached the Council to ask if the newly formed Tennis Team at DHS can use the City's tennis court. Cana Ivie will be the coach. The Council would like a schedule of practices and agreed to let the team use the court. The team will start practicing immediately. Cana asked about cleaning off the court and told the Council that at the first practice the team will be cleaning off the court. Savannah and Cana thanked the Council for letting the team use the court.

5. Mosquito Abatement - Angel McRae

Minutes:

Angel McRae reported on the recent mosquito abatement meeting. She explained the process for getting on the spraying schedule, some of the communication issues, and she talked about the by-laws.

6. Architectural Contract for Bowling Alley - Danita Hinton

Minutes:

This agenda item was tabled.

7. Update on Pool - Danita Hinton

Minutes:

Danita Hinton reported on the progress of the landscaping project at the pool. The landscaper came yesterday to work on the waterline sleeves that will go under the concrete. The concrete contractor will be done by June 5. The landscaper will finish up later in June. Mike Price is supplying all the plants through High Desert Gardens and he is giving the City a great deal. Danita said all the City workers have been great to work with and thanked them. She reported that the planting will begin the 2nd week of June and the new sign for the building has been ordered and will be shipped this week. Amy Beynon has been commissioned to paint the mural. Benches have been ordered and will arrive in 3-4 weeks. The company making the benches recommends having a forklift with the ability to extend the forks to unload the benches when delivered. She asked if the City has something that will work for this task. Jason Baker offered one of the forklifts at the machine shop. Danita thanked Jason for the offer. Danita also explained that she is documenting the work and posting the progress on Facebook. The Mayor and Council thanked her for her work.

8. Planning And Zoning - Commissioner Selection

Minutes:

Clay Crozier joined the meeting via zoom. Clay presented his qualifications and the Council asked

questions regarding his work with land use issues at the state and local levels.

MOTION by Council Member Ivie, seconded by Council Member Adams to appoint Clay Crozier as a Commissioner on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- Council Member Adams– Aye
- Council Member Baker– Aye
- Council Member Ivie - Aye
- Council Member Peatross– Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

9. Public Works Update - Lane Genereaux

Minutes:

Lane Genereaux reported from the public works department:

- Workers are still behind on all of the current projects but they are making progress.
- Lane asked if anyone was hired yet to water the flowers. Mayor Rowley said not yet.
- At Strawberry Cemetery, the pump is finally in the water, but it is not working yet.
- Twin D is currently in town working on the sewer project.
- Allred's Landscaping said they will have the dirt ready and will hydroseed in 2 weeks. The sprinkler system is installed and working.
- The Pool is ahead of schedule and will be ready to open soon.
- Regarding the employment situation, Lane doesn't know if a 6th guy is really necessary. A flower waterer is needed, but he believes everything else can be handled with the crew they have even during their busiest times. He has heard many compliments on the Duchesne Cemetery due to Matt's and Bronson's efforts. He and the Council discussed the flower watering schedule, safety concerns, and the need to hire immediately. The flowers will be picked up and placed on Wednesday, May 31.
- The Council discussed truck traffic issues with trucks not staying on the truck route. Trucks are turning off of Hwy 191 onto 100 S to get to Burger King. This is technically safer for trucks because they don't have to cross Main Street traffic to get onto Hwy 40, but the trucks are tearing up the streets and making it unsafe for residents on 100 S. The ordinances clearly state that trucks are to stay on the designated truck route unless they are making a delivery on a particular street. Truck traffic is getting worse and Lane discussed possible solutions such as posting "Truck Route" signs along the truck route. Mayor Rowley will approach the trucking company owners and inform them of the ordinance and ask them to keep their drivers on route.

10. Employment - Lane Genereaux

Minutes:

Lane discussed some of the issues he is having with scheduling city workers and having Mayor Rowley take guys off the job to perform other tasks. He feels like this undermines his authority as the boss and throws off schedules unnecessarily. He needs to be informed when there are changes in the schedule. Council Member Baker explained that the old adage, "Plan the work, work the plan" really is best. He said at the machine shop when this happens, it can throw off the schedules for getting product out the door, ultimately causing lost revenue. The same thing happens at the City causing friction and a difficult work environment. Lane is putting in long hours and needs the guys to see him as the boss. The Council thanked Lane for all his hard work. Communication is golden and Mayor Rowley will do a better job of communicating with Lane before taking anyone off of their assigned jobs. Lane and the Council discussed PolyPlatform not

working as designed and some of the guys not getting the work orders correctly. Lane suggested going back to the paper copy system. Lane also said he has taken the guys out to lunch several times to improve morale and he has talked to Mayor Rowley about buying some earbuds to give out as safety awards. The Council agreed this would be a good idea so the guys can answer phones hands free increasing safety on the job.

11. 15-Minute Open Session

Minutes:

Debbie Fabrizio approached the Council to discuss animal control issues. She said after her granddaughter was attacked, the little girl now wakes up in the middle of the night having PTSD episodes. Her daughter received one, "I'm sorry" text and nothing since then. Debbie wondered what animal control enforcement is happening in the city now because she does not want the same thing to happen to anyone else's child. She is currently having an issue with barking dogs across the street from her home. Everytime she walks out the door, the dogs bark. The Council discussed this issue and the noise ordinance. Debbie said that if the city is in need of an animal control officer, she is interested in coming back to work in that position again. The Council expressed interest in talking to her about doing that. Mayor Rowley said he has discussed contracting with the County about taking over the city's animal control calls but the County only has one officer and he is always 2 weeks behind in getting to the calls he already has. Debbie believes the city is in a better position when it has its own animal control officer.

12. Book Of Complaints, Concerns And Comments

Minutes:

Kim Hanson read a complaint by Danita Hinton regarding the trees on Main Street not getting enough water at the west end of town. Lane explained the meter at that end of town had been buried by the school construction crew. The Council discussed the problem and Lane said the issue has been fixed.

13. Mayor And Council Review Of Old Business

Minutes:

- Mayor Rowley said there have been some issues with Road Crossings and the Council needs to look at this again.
- Mayor Rowley said the Planning and Zoning Commission is meeting the Council at the Pope House tonight for an executive session.

14. Work Session

Minutes:

There was no work session.

15. Executive Session - Pope House

Minutes:

An executive session was called by Mayor Rowley.

16. Adjournment

Minutes:

MOTION by Council Member Ivie, seconded by Council Member Baker to adjourn the regular meeting of the Duchesne City Council and go into an executive session to discuss the Pope House at 7:41 pm.

- Council Member Adams– Aye
- Council Member Baker– Aye
- Council Member Ivie - Aye
- Council Member Peatross– Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Attest:

Kim Hanson, Recorder: _____

Rodney Rowley, Mayor: _____

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