

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, May 18, 2023
at 6:00 p.m.
in the Council Chambers
19 South Main Street
Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Lenise Peterman

Council Members:

David Dornan
Michelle Goldsmith
Gary Harwood
Malarie DeVincent – Absent
Amanda Wheeler – Absent Excused

City Staff:

City Recorder: Zack Tonc
City Attorney: Dominique Kiahtipes
Public Works Director: Michael Mastin

Citizens: Mike James, Morgan Lund, Mike Thomas, and Scott Bennet.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Exhibit A – Public Comments

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 21 & 27, 2023.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve minutes from April 21 & 27, 2023. Council Member Goldsmith seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF EXTENDING THE SIDEWALK FROM BIRCH ST. TO CASTLE GATE RV ENTRANCE. REQUESTED BY SCOTT BENNETT.

Scott Bennett of Castle Gate RV Park stated he would like to extend the sidewalk from Birch Street to the driveway entrance of Castle Gate RV Park.

Council Member Dornan asked how much fill will be needed to extend the sidewalk. Since the sidewalk will be on a state highway and the proposed sidewalk will have to comply with state standards. Scott Bennett responded he is not sure, but there is a gas line along the highway. Council Member Harwood stated there are two gas lines and a water line. On Birch Street, we could replace it with no problem, but after Birch Street, we would need to go to UDOT.

Scott Bennett asked about extending the River Walk as a solution. Council Member Goldsmith and Mayor Peterman responded we have tried to extend the River Walk, but private property owners do not allow for the extension.

Council Goldsmith asked if the Walkability Study covered the RV Park. Mayor Peterman said she is not sure, but we can ask for an expansion.

Council Member Harwood and Dornan discussed how to add the sidewalk without covering up the utility lines. Mayor Peterman stated this conversation would be best to have with UDOT.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF APPLYING FOR A GRANT FROM THE LAND WATER CONSERVATION FUND.

Council Member Goldsmith stated this is a 50% match grant she wrote for Locust Street Park. The Land and Water Conservation fund requires approval from City Council.

Mayor Peterman asked Council Member Goldsmith where is the 50% match coming from. Council Member Goldsmith answered it is coming from Friends of the Helper Area, the Helper Project, and in-kind work from Helper City employees.

Council Member Dornan moved to approve applying for a grant from the Land Water Conservation Fund. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF PURCHASING DIRT AND CONDITIONER FOR BASEBALL FIELDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2180.

Public Works Director Mastin stated Jeff Cisneros, is in need of dirt and conditioner for the baseball fields.

Council Member Harwood, Council Member Dornan, and Public Works Director Mastin discussed the price, weight, and quality of the proposed dirt and conditioner.

Council Member Goldsmith moved to approve purchasing dirt and conditioner for baseball fields not to exceed \$3,000. Council Member Dornan seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

DISCUSSION ON HWY 6.

Mayor Peterman stated Council Member DeVincent asked for discussion on HWY 6 to be on the agenda. Council Member DeVincent was not in attendance so the agenda item was skipped.

CLOSED SESSION FOR PERSONNEL MATTERS.

Council Member Goldsmith moved to enter into a closed session for personnel matters. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

Council Member Harwood moved to exit from a closed session. Council Member Dornan seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A RAISE FOR BILLIE HEILESEN.

Council Member Goldsmith moved to table. Council Member Dornan seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Council Member Dornan moved to adjourn. Council Member Goldsmith seconded the motion. Motion carried, the council roll call vote is as follows: Dornan, Goldsmith, and Harwood all voted yes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing represents a true, accurate, and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, May 18, 2023.



Lenise Peterman
Mayor



Zack Tonc
City Recorder

Approved on June 15, 2023

Exhibit A

Helper City
Citizen Public Comment Form

Comments Only

Name: Morgan Lund
Date: 5/18/23
Address: 11 Hill Street

I wish to address the Council during public comments regarding:

Highway
? about dog licensing

Note: This form must be filled out and handed to the city recorder before the beginning of the meeting. Comments are limited to 2 minutes. All citizens attending Council Meetings will be expected to respect the rights of others by refraining from any open display of support or opposition to the remarks of any speaker, or open demonstration thereof. Anyone not complying with these rules of procedure may be asked to leave the meeting.

I have read and agree to abide by the rules listed above.


Signature (This form is complete unless signed)

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.