

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

ATTENDING: Mayor Pat Brady, Council Members Philip Engleman, Keith Brady, Irene Daw, Dan Harrison; Employees Conae Black, Karen Smith; Citizens Gary Riches, Sharon Mitchell, Kathy Ryan, Mary Wilmarth, Amy Wilmarth, Katherine Brown, Troy Pettit, Chris Lezama, Kim Andrus, Charlotte Uptain

ABSENT: Kent Johnson

CONDUCTING: Mayor Pat Brady, the meeting began at 7:08 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Pledge of allegiance is directed by Irene Daw.

1. Discuss/approve/deny consent agenda. **MOTION:** Philip Engleman moved to approve the consent agenda. Irene Daw seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Dan Harrison, Irene Daw, Philip Engleman and Keith Brady voted aye. The motion carried.

Minutes for June 14, 2011 regular meeting

August 2011 Recorder's report

September 2011 Treasurer's report

October 2011 Payment Approval report

2. Public Hearing This is a public hearing called by the Planning Commission. Present from the Planning Commission were Amy Wilmarth and Katherine Brown. The meeting began at 7:10 p.m. and adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

3. Discuss/approve/deny Ordinance No. 2011-04 Conditional Uses. **MOTION:** Dan Harrison moved to deny Ordinance No. 2011-04 until amended per the comments from the public hearing. Philip Engleman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Dan Harrison, Irene Daw, Philip Engleman and Keith Brady voted aye. The motion carried.

4. Discuss/approve/deny Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Green River and Utah Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network. Philip Engleman said this agreement ties all entities who participate in this program together. An example would be if Green River City had a large sewer problem then we could get help from Moab City to help us with the problem and if Moab City has a problem then we can help them. This is the network where there is a list of all equipment. Philip Engleman said this is a good agreement. Several members of the Council stated they did not have a copy of the agreement nor have they seen one. Philip Engleman said he has read the agreement and this put Green River City in the network. **MOTION:** Philip Engleman moved to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement. Keith Brady seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Irene Daw, Philip Engleman and Keith Brady voted aye. Dan Harrison voted nay. The motion carried.

5. Discuss/approve/deny selecting a different water rate from the suggested scenarios. Rural Water Association has sent over two other scenarios for water rates. There was some more discussion on which rate was best suited for Green River. Mayor Brady explained to the citizens that the water and sewer funds are enterprise funds and have a negative balance. The water fund needs to produce about \$400,000 in order to operate and that is the reason for the rate increase. Conae Black explained the tiering for the rates that have been in place since 2001. Keith Brady said it wasn't fair assessment to the businesses. Conae Black asked him how to determine a fair rate in comparing residential rates with commercial rates. **MOTION:** Keith Brady motion to table this and hold a special meeting to discuss this further when they get some more scenarios from Rural Water. Dan Harrison seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Dan Harrison, Irene

Daw, Philip Engleman and Keith Brady voted aye. The motion carried. It was decided to set that meeting date for October 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

6. Discuss/approve/deny Resolution No. 11-2011 Appointing Election Judges. **MOTION:** Philip Engleman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 11-2011. Dan Harrison seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Dan Harrison, Irene Daw, Philip Engleman and Keith Brady voted aye. The motion carried.

7. Department Reports. Keith Brady asked when the November City Council meeting was due to the 8th of November being Election Day. Conae Black said that was determined at the beginning of the year and the meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 9th. Keith said that Howard Burnett has scheduled fall burn season for October 29th through November 22nd. That is less than the 30 days that we are allotted by the State. If we went for 30 days then it would take us to November 27th which is through the Thanksgiving Holiday and he does not want to have the season through the holiday. Conae Black said that was correct. Keith Brady asked why not. Conae Black explained because they are a volunteer fire department and they do not want to be bothered with the burn season throughout their holiday. Keith Brady said the burn season can be set for any time as long as they notify the State about the days. He said he would check into 15 days in November and 15 days in December. Irene Daw was contacted by the Sheriff's department to house a dog which she did at the city's animal shelter. Dan Harrison brought the agreement between the City of Green River and the Museum Corporation. He has amended the agreement per the discussion from the last meeting and submitted the amended agreement to the Council and asked if they would be willing to go over it again. They did not want to address it at this time because they have not had a chance to review it. He said he would like to see this implemented before he goes out of office. Conae Black suggested putting this on the agenda at the special meeting. The Council was agreeable to that. He asked the Council how they felt about paying the fuel expense for the State Paleontologist to come to Green River to consult. The chip sealing on the city streets is not yet complete but should be before the chip sealing season is over for this year. Mayor Brady reported on the conferences that he attended. Kathy Ryan asked about the progress on the street signs. Karen Smith reported that FEMA has approved the reimbursement to Emery County for the flooding. Tomorrow will probably be the last mitigation meeting on the river and in that discussion is maintenance and work on the dykes. There may be a grant available to improve the diversion dam. She brought up the Christmas party and asked the Council to be thinking of what they would like to do.

8. Adjourn. **MOTION:** Dan Harrison moved to adjourn. Philip Engleman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Pat Brady, Mayor

Conae Black, City Recorder

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