

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 9, 2021

ATTENDING: Mayor Travis Bacon, Council Members Kathy Ryan, Michael Silliman, Larry Packer, Bo Harrison and Kent Nelson; Employees Conae Black, Julie Spadafora, Phillip Stubblefield, David Wilson, Bryan Meadows, Robin Hunt, Jackie Nelson, Candice Cravins, Loni Meadows; from the Planning Commission Kim McFarlane, Kent Johnson, Stephanie Crabtree; from Smith Hartvigsen law firm Adam Long; Citizens, Mike Keener, Kim Andrus, Jamie Richardson, Valerie Richardson, Justin Queen, Maria Sykes, Jeff Black, Gaylene Erwin, Frances Erlandsen, Lindsey Briceno, Douglas Tolman, Emily Mora

CONDUCTING: Mayor Travis Bacon, the meeting began at 7:01 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Recess as the Green River City Council
Convene as the Green River City Planning Commission

1. Public Hearing to hear comments on the proposed amendments to the C-1 Commercial zoning ordinance and an ordinance to regulate metal storage containers as an accessory unit.
2. Public Hearing to hear comments on changing the R-2 zone to the R-3 zone.
3. Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Convene as the City of Green River Community Development and Renewal Agency
Reconvene as the Green River City Council

1. Discuss/approve/deny Resolution No. R01-2021 approving Interlocal Agreements for the Green River Main Street Community Reinvestment Project Area. Discussion for this agenda item was recorded in the February 9, 2021 Green River Community Development and Renewal Agency minutes. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution No. R01-2021 approving Interlocal Agreements for the Green River Main Street Community Reinvestment Project Area. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer and Kathy Ryan voted aye. Michael Silliman voted nay. The motion carried.

2. Discuss/approve/deny consent agenda. **MOTION:** Michael Silliman made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the corrections to the minutes. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

December 8, 2020 regular meeting minutes
December 14, 2020 special meeting minutes
December 2020 financial report
January 2021 Treasurer's report
February 2021 Payment Approval report

3. Discuss/approve/deny Ordinance No. 2021-01 amending Title 10 Chapter 7 of the Green River Ordinances with respect to the Commercial Zones. The City Council has reviewed the proposed changes. They attended the public hearing and there were not any comments on the amendments. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-01 amending Title 10 Chapter 7 of the Green River Ordinances with respect to the Commercial Zones. Bo Harrison seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer and Kathy Ryan voted aye. Michael Silliman abstained. The motion carried.

4. Discuss/approve/deny Ordinance No. 2021-02 regulating metal storage containers. The City Council reviewed and previously discussed this new ordinance. They attended the public hearing and listened to the comments. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-02 regulating metal storage containers as an accessory unit. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer and Kathy Ryan voted aye. Michael Silliman voted nay. The motion carried.

5. Discuss/approve/deny changing the R-2 zone to the R-3 zone. This agenda item has been discussed in previous meetings. The City Council attended the public hearing. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve changing the R-2 zone to the R-3 zone. Kent Nelson seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer and Kathy Ryan voted aye. Michael Silliman abstained. The motion carried.

6. Public Hearing to solicit public comment concerning the size, scope and nature of the funding request to be submitted to the Permanent Community Impact Fund Board. Conae Black said she submitted an application in to the Permanent Community Impact Fund Board (CIB) for an evaluation of the water distribution system. Green River City's water system has high disinfection byproducts and the system has exceeded maximum contaminant levels. This evaluation will help the City identify the best solution to reduce the disinfection byproducts to protect the public health of all water users. Once the evaluation is complete the City will have a better understanding of the direction needed to comply with the Division of Drinking Water (DDW) standards. Green River City has tried to work through this on our own. The Division of Drinking Water recommended several Engineers who specialize in water treatment. The City went through the proper procurement process and obtained Brown and Caldwell Engineers to help resolve this issue. The cost for this portion of the evaluation will be \$113,250 This is considered a planning grant and CIB will fund half so the City requested \$56,625 in grant funds making the City's portion the remaining \$56,625. The City will also submit in a grant application to the DDW in hopes that they will grant the full amount of \$113,250 but their application is not due until April 7, 2021 and CIB's grant application was due February 1, 2021. The DDW Board meeting to approve or deny the funding request will be held on June 8, 2021 and the CIB Board meeting to approve or deny the finding request will be held June 10, 2021. Bryan Meadows stated that the evaluation will determine whether the granulated carbon method or ozone method is the best way to treat the water. The meeting was open for public comment.

Jamie Richardson asked if this had anything to do with the piece of paper that is sent out every once in a while stating the city is out of whack. Council Member Kathy Ryan answered yes. Conae Black said the City is trying to correct the problem.

Mayor Bacon asked for any further questions or comments. There were none.

7. Discuss/approve/deny building alterations and renovation of the Green River Medical Center. Conae Black said Paula Dunham said the Medical Center is modifying the building to add a negative pressure room. They have already gone through the design and put it out for bid and awarded the bid. This is a City owned building and they forgot to go before the City Council and ask for approval to modify the building. Conae Black didn't think it would be a problem because they are just trying to improve and increase the services at the Medical Center. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the building alterations and renovation of the Green River Medical Center. Michael Silliman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

8. Discuss/approve/deny Land Use Agreement with the United States of America Division of the Army. Conae Black stated that the Army has used the city's airport for training for several years and are very good stewards. They usually bring in their Black Hawk helicopter along with other land vehicles and camp outside of the fenced area. The Land Use Agreement has expired and this would be a renewal. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve the Land Use Agreement with the United States of America Division of the Army. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

9. Discuss/approve/deny the Shooting Sports Park, Inc. Executive Board and Officers. Kim Andrus and Mike Keener addressed the City Council. Kim Andrus said the Shooting Sports Park, Inc. held their annual meeting where they nominated and voted on the following Executive Board Members: Mike Keener, Kim Andrus, Travis Raby, Trent Fluckey, Landon Fluckey, Lance Erwin, and Tom Cox. The Shooting Sports Park, LLC's By-Laws require approval from the City Council. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve the Executive Board Members as stated by Kim Andrus. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

10. Discuss/approve/deny appointing Kent Johnson, Stephanie Crabtree, Royd Hatt and Don Meadows to the Planning Commission. Conae Black stated these members of the Planning Commission terms have expired but they are still willing to serve another term. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the appointments of Kent Johnson, Stephanie Crabtree, Royd Hatt and Don Meadows to the Planning Commission. Michael Silliman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

11. Discuss/approve/deny bids for the 2021 Main Street curb, gutter and sidewalk project. Conae Black stated that this is another project that the City is partnering with UDOT on. It is for a portion of curb, gutter and sidewalk on SR19 just west of the Medical Center on both the north and south side of the road and a section that was bid out as Additive Alternative "A" that is in front of the Chow Hound. It was bid out last year but the bids came in too high so we re-bid the project. There were two bids received. From Double E Construction the bid was \$94,003.50 and Alternative A's bid amount was \$20,785.20 for a total of \$114,789.20. JCI's bid was \$104,966.46 and Alternative A's bid amount was \$24,864.30 for a total of \$129,830.76. The total funds available for this project is \$120,000. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the bid from Double E Construction with Alternative A for \$114,789.20. Michael Silliman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

12. Discuss/approve/deny allowing Rabbit Rentals to lease city property for their business. Conae Black explained that Rabbit Rentals is a company that rents out vehicles. They are located in Pleasant Grove, Utah and decided to expand their business to Green River late fall in 2019 and then 2020 COVID year hit so it hasn't been very good timing for their expansion. They are asking to lease some property on the west side of the city owned building that used to be the old fire house to place a 20' x 40' covered parking area for their vehicles with signage. Rabbit Rentals is also considering posting a sign at the airport for pilots to rent a vehicle to travel from the airport into town. They have passenger vans and are expanding to all wheel vehicles in about a month. The City would need to work out the details on where it would be located and the amount of property they would need. The City currently uses the old fire house to store equipment and supplies but there are not any long term plans for the building. Bryan Meadows said they wouldn't be able to block any of the entrance doors. Kathy Ryan said that the city should look into this further and consider allowing Rabbit Rentals to lease city property as long as it doesn't interfere with any city business. It was brought up that if the city decides to do this they would be opening the door for other businesses who might have an interest in leasing city property. Conae Black said it is not uncommon for cities to lease or sale their property. It was agreed that having vehicle rental company would be a great economic development opportunity. Conae Black said they also want the city to write a grant to help them with this expansion. The City wrote a grant for Moonshot Camper Vans for a feasibility study. **MOTION:** Kent Nelson made a motion to approve the option to lease city owned property for their business. Bo Harrison seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

13. Discuss/approve/deny hiring Elayne Hinsch as the JWP Museum Collections Manager. JWP Museum Director, Candice Cravins, stated that the hiring selection committee has gone through

the hiring process and offered the position to Elayne Hinsch. She feels that she will be a good fit for the Museum. Elayne Hinsch is excited about the job. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve hiring Elayne Hinsch as the JWP Museum Collections Manager. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman voted aye. The motion carried.

14. Discuss/approve/deny employee compensation plan. Mayor Bacon asked for this agenda item to be tabled because it requires a public hearing to be held.

15. Council and employee reports. Robin Hunt reported the Athena Trail has been marked better. She is working on a BLM permit that is good for ten years for multiple events. She has begun planning the first Dirt Bike Rally and it has had huge interest in it. Bryan Meadows reported on the challenges and accomplishments from the Public Works Department. Phillip Stubblefield reported on the progress of the Emery County EMS Memorandum of Understanding. He is making progress on the landfill and has had discussions on the industrial park. About a month ago he and David Wilson began working on controlling the feral cat problem. They adopted out about seven cats and received some donations to spade or neuter the cats. He and David Wilson have been dealing with eight cats that were shot and killed in town. Conae Black reported that Adam Hughes who is CEO of Better City, LLC has left and taken on a new job. Filling his position as CEO is Jason Godfrey. It appears we will be in good hands. Phase one of the River Restoration project is coming along. The design is about 60% complete and they are working on obtaining the necessary permits. She is concerned that by the time we put this out for bid the contractors will be very busy and the bids will come in high. She and Bryan Meadows have met a couple of times and determined that the only project we want on the CIB list is improvements to the sewer system to repair and replace sewer lift stations and sewer lines. This project will be about \$700,000. We will also submit in a funding request to Water Quality for the same project. Candice Cravins reported on the events they are planning on holding at the Museum. The Waterways exhibit will be going up soon. She has applied for some funding to help with these programs. They have picked up the Old Spanish Trail project that has been in progress for a while. Kathy Ryan asked for Council input on potential traffic congestion due to the increased traffic on Green River Avenue from the housing project.

16. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Travis Bacon, Mayor

Conae Black, City Recorder

Approved: March 9, 2021