

# City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019

**ATTENDING:** Mayor Travis Bacon, Council Members Kathy Ryan, Michael Silliman, Penney Riches and Kim Andrus; Employees Conae Black, Tim Glenn, Robin Nelson, Jackie Nelson, Loni Meadows, Doug Moreno; Citizens Christopher Henderson, Anna Evans, Keith and Shannon Johnson, Frank Anderson, Julie Steuer, Ballie Newland, Larry and Cheri Packer, Kent and Emilie Nelson, Steph Crabtree, Brenna Hunt, Dan Cybulski, Doreen Lehnhoff, Justin Queen, Eduard Korycan

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

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:** The Pledge of allegiance is directed by Kim Andrus.

1. Appointment and swearing in of new City Council Member. City Council Member, Gary Riches, was promoted as Sargent in the Highway Patrol in Price Utah so he had to resign as Green River City Council Member. Larry Packer, Tim Glenn, Kent Nelson, Keith Johnson and Anna Evans submitted their names in for consideration to fill the vacant City Council seat. Each of them was interviewed. **NOMINATION:** Penney Riches nominated Anna Evans to fill the City Council vacancy. Kathy Ryan seconded the nomination. Michael Silliman nominated Larry Packer to fill the City Council vacancy. Kim Andrus seconded the nomination. Penney Riches made a motion to suspend any further nominations. Michael Silliman seconded that motion. **VOTE:** The first vote was for Anna Evans. Michael Silliman and Kim Andrus voted nay. Penney Riches and Kathy Ryan voted aye. That left a tie vote. Mayor Bacon broke the tie by voting for Anna Evans. The motion carried.

Anna Evans was sworn in to fill the City Council vacancy.

Recess as the Green River City Council at 7:30 p.m.

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

Reconvene as the Green River Council meeting at 8:21 p.m.

2. Budget Public Hearing. Conae Black stated the City Council approved a sign on bonus for two deputy sheriffs of \$5,000 each last month pending on opening up the budget because it was not budgeted for. This will come from the General Fund. There will be a budget increase in the State Collected Sales Tax revenue of \$10,000 and an expense increase in the Community Activity Grants of \$10,000. The Fire Department has gone out on two different wildland fires and has earned to this date an additional \$17,000. They would like to use that money for new radios and other supplies and the budget needs to be amended to allow for the wages paid to the fire fighters who served on those fires. So there is a budget increase in the General Fund revenue in the Fire Dept. Response Fees of \$38,500 an expense increase in the Fire department Nominal Fee of \$23,000 and the Fire Special Department Supplies of \$15,500. Our Mayor and City Council would like to increase the Transient Room Tax Marketing revenue to allow for other marketing opportunities that they are discussing such as a new digital sign at city hall and some television marketing. This budget would increase \$29,000 to allow for those expenses. The meeting was opened for any public comments or questions.

Tim Glenn said the city tends to budget the revenue low in the General Fund and asked if this budget increase comes remotely close to the average. Conae Black said that they just heard from Mr. Cybulski and the city gets most of their General Fund revenue from tourism. If tourism is down then our revenue is down. This year tourism has been down. That is why it is so difficult to

budget for. That is why she is so conservative when budgeting for the General Fund but feels that there will be sufficient enough revenue to allow for this additional \$10,000.

Mayor Bacon asked for any other additional comments or questions. There were none. The public hearing was closed.

3 Discuss/approve/deny budget amendments.

Emery County Deputy Sheriff sign on bonus - \$10,000

Fire Department equipment – increase \$39,000

Marketing – increase \$23,000

	Original Budget	Revised Budget
General Fund		
Revenue:		
103120 STATE COLLECTED SALES TAX	220,000	230,000
103441 FIRE DEPT RESPONSE FEES	1,500	40,000
Expense:		
104157 Admin COMMUNITY ACTIVITY GRANTS	1,500	12,000
105236 Fire VOLUNTEER FIREMENT NOMINAL FEE	12,000	35,000
105241 Fire SPECIAL DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES	5,000	20,500
Transient Room Tax Marketing Fund		
Revenue:		
223117 TRANSIENT ROOM TAX MARKETING	56,000	62,284
223997 TRANSFER FROM RECREATION FUND	0	16,716
Expense:		
224013 COST OF EMPLOYMENT	1,000	2,200
224015 HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS	1,000	10,000
224031 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	400
224038 PROMOTIONAL ADVERTISING	18,600	31,000

**MOTION:** Michael Silliman made a motion to approve the budget amendments. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

4. Discuss/approve/deny consent agenda. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the consent agenda with corrections to the February 12, 2019 minutes. Penney Riches seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

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January 2019 Recorder’s financial report

February 2019 Treasurer’s report

March 2019 Payment Approval report.

5. Discuss/approve/deny selling city owned property to Emery Telcom. Conae Black said the city owns 404 acres on airport road near the rail road tracks. Emery Telcom would like to purchase 100’ x 150’ of that property for a telecommunications building and equipment. Michael Silliman asked if they would be willing to lease the property rather than purchase. Conae Black said they would prefer to purchase but would be willing to lease if that is what the Council wanted. She suggested that Emery Telcom get together with the Council for further negotiations.

**MOTION:** Michael Silliman made a motion to table this until further negotiations could be made. Kim Andrus seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

6. Discuss/approve/deny Melon Days Queen/Princess Pageant Committee. This committee consists of Amanda Dinkins as Chair, Kathleen Marshal, Michaela Escalante, Patches Escalante, Tawni Jensen and Markie Vetere. **MOTION:** Penney Riches made a motion to approve those

named for the Melon Days Queen/Princess Pageant Committee. Kim Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

7. Discuss/approve/deny KUTV 2019 Summer Road Trippin' Package. Mayor Bacon said there are some other T.V marketing opportunities that are in the works right now. We are looking at partnering with the Emery County Travel Council on this. The cost for this KUTV package is \$7,500. We did this last year and it went very well but feels we would be better served using the marketing funds on the other options that we have. **MOTION:** Michael Silliman made a motion to deny the KUTV 2019 Summer Road Trippin' Package. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

8. Discuss/approve/deny Engineering Contract with Johansen & Tuttle Engineering for the 2019 UDOT curb, gutter and sidewalk project. Kathy Ryan explained where the new curb, gutter and sidewalk will be along Main Street. This project will be put out for bid soon but no expenses will occur until the 2020 fiscal year. The city will be partnering with UDOT on this project. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve entering into an engineering contract with Johansen & Tuttle Engineering for the 2019 UDOT curb, gutter and sidewalk project. Michael Silliman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

9. Discuss/approve/deny JWP Museum Strategic Plan. Penney Riches told Tim Glenn, the Museum Director, that it was a very good plan and was pleased with the outcome. **MOTION:** Penney Riches made a motion to approve the JWP Museum Strategic Plan as written. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

10. Discuss/approve/deny hiring Robin Nelson as the Special Events Coordinator. Mayor Bacon said there were 19 applicants for this position. The hiring committee interviewed four of those applicants. Robin Nelson was the one selection by the hiring committee. **MOTION:** Penney Riches made a motion to approve hiring Robin Nelson as the Special Events Coordinator. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kim Andrus, Penney Riches, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

11. Department and employee reports. Tim Glenn reported on the programs, events and activities at the museum. Jackie Nelson is mentoring Robin Nelson and helping her with the special events. She reported on their progress. Conae Black reported on the 2019 CIB list. She is working a lot with Better City and is still working on bringing natural gas to our community. She reminded them that the city needs to have a tentative budget adopted on their first meeting in May for the new fiscal year. Michael Silliman reported on the park restroom maintenance and the progress of the new fire house. Kim Andrus reported on the activities in the animal control and Shooting Sports Park. She has not heard of anything on EMS since last month. Penney Riches said as soon as Robin Nelson gets going she would like to get going again on new trails. Kathy Ryan reported on a corporative weed management plan that she has been involved with. She is meeting with UDOT on more sidewalks and river restoration. She has been a part of releasing the water in the spring from the Flaming Gorge Dam. Anna Evans thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve. Mayor Bacon said he has a lot of good things on the horizon.

12. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

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Travis Bacon, Mayor

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Conae Black, City Recorder

Approved: April 9, 2019