

Riverdale City Council Regular Meeting, August 4, 2015

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, August 4, 2015, at 6:00 PM, at the Civic Center, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

Present: City Council: Norm Searle, Mayor
Don Hunt, Councilor
Braden Mitchell, Councilor
Brent Ellis, Councilor
Gary E. Griffiths, Councilor

City Employees: Rodger Worthen, City Administrator
Steve Brooks, City Attorney
Dave Hansen, Police Chief
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Excused: Michael Staten, Councilor

Visitors: Charles Kerkvliet Dave Leahy

A. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Searle called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance, including all Council Members. Mayor Searle stated for the record that all Councilors were in attendance with the exception of Councilor Staten, who is excused this evening.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Searle invited Councilor Ellis to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Moment of Silence

Mayor Searle called for a moment of silence and asked everyone to remember our police officers, fire fighters, U.S. Military service members, and members of the City Council as they make decisions this evening.

D. Open Communications

Mayor Searle invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and asked that they state their name and address for the record; and please keep their comments to approximately three minutes.

Charles Kerkvliet, 859 West 4300 South in Riverdale, Utah provided his phone number, 801-388-4764, and email address kerk1940@gmail.com. He provided this information because he would like feedback regarding the Golden Spike Park bleachers. As of right now, the bleachers have not had any improvements to cover the damaged fiber glass area. He felt this should be fixed immediately to avoid any potential injuries. He observed the bottom of the bleacher is getting chipped as well. He stated the east end of the park has the traction bubbles for the handicap ramp, but the upper handicap ramp does not. He was unsure why there would be a difference in the ramps. He asked if it were possible for Public Works to add striping for the handicap area.

Councilor Griffiths asked if there was a way to temporarily shut down that section of Golden Spike Park until the bleacher repair was complete. There was a discussion on recoating the bleachers.

Dave Leahy, 864 W 4300 South, Riverdale, Utah stated he was with Mr. Kerkvliet when they investigated the bleachers at Golden Spike Park. He expressed concern regarding the sharp pointy edges on the bleachers. He observed a small child running along the bleachers placing their hand over the fiber glass area. He also felt the bleacher repair should be a higher priority. He stated this is on the west side of the bleachers at the Golden Spike Park.

Councilor Hunt commented on various news reports regarding children getting burned on playground equipment throughout the state. He discussed the option of closing the park until the bleachers were recoated. Mr. Worthen stated the Public Works Director, Shawn Douglas is aware of the situation and is working towards a solution. Mr. Worthen will follow up on this situation. Mayor Searle mentioned this is a busy time for the Public Works department.

Mayor Searle commented regarding the Veteran's Memorial. He stated the smaller pictures are getting cracked and invited Mr. Leahy and Mr. Kerkvliet to review the pictures and determine whether there were funds available to repair them. Mr. Leahy stated Ogden Blue did the original work for memorial. Mayor Searle noted it has lasted for 5 years. Mr.

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Leahy felt the best approach would be to redo the pictures versus replace them, due to the cost of repair.

E. Presentations and Reports

1. Mayors Report:

Mayor Searle stated Weber County Fair begins August 5th to August 8th. He invited everyone to attend the fair and bring their families. At-Home is officially open and the Mayor noted it was a very nice store. There will be a ribbon cutting and on Saturday they will have their grand opening with prizes for the first 100 people. The Ogden Weber Chamber was invited to do the ribbon cutting. The Mayor would like City Staff to attend and show their support. Mayor Searle stated Burger King did a remodel and is now open for business.

2. City Council Assignment Reports:

Councilor Ellis commented on the mosquito abatement. He stated near Classic Waterslide, 287 mosquitos were tested and of that amount 1 had West Nile Virus. The area was sprayed with a 70 percent reduction as a result. There have been other confirmed positives traced at this time. He stated they sprayed over 70 thousand acres, and they raise special fish to help reduce the mosquitos. He hasn't heard any other complaints as of yet.

Councilor Mitchell stated they had a CTC (Communities That Care) Bonneville meeting and they expressed gratitude for the ability to have a booth at Glory Days where they displayed their anti-drinking campaigns before the movie in the park. The CTC is considering teaming up with the DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) to do a drug take back. Dates will be released first of September.

3. Discussion of National Disaster Resilience Competition Grant (NRSC):

Mr. Worthen stated JUB has been hired by the state of Utah to submit grant requests which have been offered by HUD (Housing and Urban Development). They have over a billion dollars to award, so City Staff have been working hard, with direction from JUB, in hopes to receive funding. Mr. Worthen felt the number one priority would be flood control features and recreational features to the 18 acre park located north of the Mobile Home Park Estate Subdivision. The staff anticipates that it will enhance the channeled river and flow areas. The next priority would be storm drainage to the northwest area near Wal Mart. Mr. Worthen felt these potential projects could impact the design features, so the Park Committee will be put on hold until they determine which funds they may qualify for. He discussed river bank restoration, river bank armoring, and various features.

The second priority deals with emergency management, which entails the city's ability to support, recover and respond to hazardous issues. Mr. Worthen noted the location of all the various city buildings and expressed concern regarding the only egress being the bridge south of City Hall. The city has been contacted by surrounding property owners proposing to construct another bridge. The property owners sought funding assistance from the city. Mr. Worthen recommended they apply for a grant from HUD to help construct the bridge, and the city may assist with remaining funding. This allows the city to have a public partnership to provide a second ingress egress for emergency response. Mr. Worthen was unsure how this second bridge would impact flooding.

Mr. Worthen discussed the costs of the projects proposed for the grant. He felt they were in a favorable position to receive some funding. There are 67 separate entities applying for the funding. He discussed the potential various projects and invited questions. He stated he will keep the City Council informed as the application process for the grant develops. Councilor Ellis expressed appreciation to staff in their efforts in applying for this grant.

4. City Attorney Report:

Mr. Brooks explained the color coding of the 2015 legislature updates. He offered to send the information to the Council, and invited questions. Councilor Ellis asked if there was anything that stood out in the updates that would impact the City. Mr. Brooks couldn't think of anything specifically. Mayor Searle felt HB 362 (Transportation Infrastructure Funding) may affect the City if it passes. Mayor Searle thanked the city attorney in his preparation and felt this information was very helpful.

F. Consent Items

Mayor Searle asked for any changes to the City Council Work Session & Regular Meeting Minutes for the July 21, 2015 Regular and Work Session City Council Meeting. There were minor changes to the meeting minutes, as discussed in the work session, which have been corrected.

MOTION: Councilor Mitchell moved to approve the consent items including the City Council Meeting Minutes, as amended. Councilor Hunt seconded the motion.

Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. There was not any.

CALL THE QUESTION: The motion passed unanimously.

G. Discretionary Items

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Councilor Hunt asked for clarification regarding the Purin property (located north of Riverglen Subdivision). Mr. Worthen stated there are several issues with that property including: storm water, floodplain, and wet land impacts. The City Staff is aware of a few violations and they will follow up with the property owner. Mr. Worthen discussed the dump trucks which have filled the draining ditches and expressed concern that the Mr. Purin has not obtained a FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) permit. The City has sent letters of concern to Mr. Purin regarding those issues.

Councilor Hunt asked if the Army Corps of Engineers were willing to offer assistance in relation to the potential issues. Mr. Worthen stated with the floodplain being the main concern, FEMA would be the appropriate entity, and they defer to the local government. There was a discussion on the various items that would need to be addressed prior to this property being developed. The City would need a letter from the Army Corps of Engineers indicating that development was not a problem before they could officially proceed with any development.

Councilor Ellis inquired about the progress of the sidewalk bridge located near 4400 South along the freeway. Mr. Worthen stated they have recently received approval from the federal highway and the City Engineer has moved forward with the bid documents. In discussing the build out with staff, the city felt the best approach would be to wait until the beginning of March or April. The City Staff didn't feel it wise to begin a new project during the cold season as it may impact the quality of work and potentially the cost of infrastructure and labor.

Councilor Ellis expressed concern regarding the corner of the property located on 1500 West, across the street from Gibby's Floral. He stated every year the property owner does not maintain the weeds. Mr. Worthen stated he will make sure code enforcement keeps an eye on the property to ensure they are meeting the weed ordinance.

MOTION: Councilor Mitchell moved to approve the action items. Councilor Ellis seconded the motion.

Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. There was no discussion.

CALL THE QUESTION: There was a roll call vote and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Councilor Ellis, Councilor Griffiths, Councilor Hunt, and Councilor Mitchell all voted in favor.

H. Adjournment.

MOTION: Councilor Ellis made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Mitchell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Norm Searle, Mayor

Jackie Manning, Admin Professional

Date Approved: **August 18, 2015**