

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 11, 2020

ATTENDING: Mayor Travis Bacon, Council Members Kathy Ryan, Michael Silliman, Larry Packer, Bo Harrison and Kent Nelson; Employees Conae Black, Bryan Meadows, Jackie Nelson, Phillip Stubblefield, Robin Nelson; Citizens Steve and Diana Acerson, Jamie Richardson, Scott Ryan, Julie Steuer, Dylan Keele, Valarie Newland, Justin Queen

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Pledge of Allegiance was directed by ~~Bo Harrison~~. Kent Nelson

Mayor Bacon presented a plaque to Valarie Newland from Emery County in honor of her thirty years of service as an EMT.

1. Discuss/approve/deny consent agenda. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Kent Nelson seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kent Nelson, Kathy Ryan and Larry Packer voted aye. Bo Harrison was not present for the vote. The motion carried.

June 18, 2020 special meeting minutes
July 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes
June 2020 financial report
July 2020 Treasurer's report
August 2020 Payment Approval report

2. Presentation from Utah Rock Art Research Association. Steve and Diana Acerson presented to the Mayor, City Council and those present information on vandalism of Rock Art in the surrounding area. They asked for help in getting the information out to help prevent or stop this. They also gave information on how to report any vandalism if noticed.

3. Discuss/approve/deny to pursue selling the billboard signs on the east and west side of town. Conae Black said YESCO sent a letter to the city offering to purchase the city owned billboards just outside of city limits. They are placed on BLM property and the city pays for a permit. The marketing cost for a new sign is quite expensive and we are lucky to have them last about 5 years. Bryan Meadows said it is difficult to maintain the signs and last time a sign front was purchased the sign company could not get to the billboard and the city crew ended up putting it up. Mayor Bacon said the billboards are a prime location for advertising. After some discussion it was felt that it would be in the best interest of the city to keep the billboards. **MOTION:** Kathy Ryan made a motion to deny selling the city owned billboards. Michael Silliman seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kent Nelson, Bo Harrison, Kathy Ryan and Larry Packer voted aye. The motion carried.

4. Discuss/approve/deny bids for Marquee Sign. The city received two bids. Sign Edge bid \$40,898.00. The bid from Creative Signs and Graphics bid was \$47,204.40. Emery County Travel Bureau has approved putting in \$20,000 towards this sign. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to approve the bid from Sign Edge. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kent Nelson, Bo Harrison, Kathy Ryan and Larry Packer voted aye. The motion carried.

5. Discuss/approve/deny hiring Josh Pinneo for the Public Works Crew Member position. Applications were received and interviews were held by the Hiring Selection Committee. Josh

Pinneo was the selected candidate. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to approve hiring Josh Pinneo for the Public Works Crew Member position pending on the drug test results. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kent Nelson, Bo Harrison, Kathy Ryan and Larry Packer voted aye. The motion carried.

6. Department and employee reports. Robin Nelson reported on the upcoming, scaled down Melon Days celebration for locals. She met with the Trails Committee again and they are moving forward. Bryan Meadows reported that the sewer lift stations pumps are down. The Sewer Vacuum Truck is still in Salt Lake City for repairs and has been for the last three months. It shouldn't have taken this long. They have been flushing fire hydrants to prepare for the THM tests. Once Brown and Caldwell are complete with their analysis of the water system they will be presenting to the City Council. He has been weeding out goat heads and helped Phillip Stubblefield tear down the metal building on railroad property. Phillip Stubblefield also reported on the Union Pacific building that was torn down and they also received help from Emery County road department. They also removed the dead trees from that property. He has been working on permitting the landfill to allow for construction waste. He has filed for water rights on the spring located on the airport land and the Crystal Geyser. Michael Silliman said the only bid that was received for the curb, gutter and sidewalk project came in a lot higher than the engineer's estimate so it has been postponed until Spring of next year. Larry Packer said they are in the process of hiring an Executive Director at the JWP Museum. Conae Black submitted an updated report to the Council on the revenues affected by COVID 19. She updated on the status of the natural gas line. She said PEMC, who owns the line that will supply the natural gas, has filed bankruptcy and explained that process has slowed down Dominion's ability to purchase the line. ETV News is looking for a local reporter. The city was awarded the CIB grant to extend the water and sewer mains for the housing project. Mayor Bacon said there is a caboose that the city may obtain for free and asked if there was interest. There seemed to be interest. He has been working on getting vehicles from the County when they rotate out their vehicles that we may get at a low cost. Larry Perkins will be coming out next month and everything looks good right now.

7. Executive Session. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to go into and executive session. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Kent Nelson, Bo Harrison, Kathy Ryan and Larry Packer voted aye. The motion carried.

I do hereby affirm, being the presiding official over the executive meeting that it was held for the purpose of discussing:

Strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if public discussion of the transaction would:

1. Disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration, or
2. Prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms.

This is in accordance of the Utah Code Section 52-4-205.

8. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Travis Bacon, Mayor

Conae Black, City Recorder

Approved: September 8, 2020