



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Court Room/Council Chambers (2nd floor) and Online

MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Dan Olson, Council Member Art Adcock, Council Member David Hathaway, Council Member Lynn Mecham, Council Member Jeff Siddoway

INVOCATION / INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

An Invocation was offered by Rajan Zed, President, Universal Society of Hinduism

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Led by Councilor Hathaway

DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts with agenda items were indicated by Council members.

CONSENT AGENDA (MINUTES, BILLS, ITEMS)

Minutes

2. 01-04-2022 Council Meeting Minutes
3. 01-18-2022 Council Work Session Minutes
4. 01-18-2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Bills

5. Invoice Register - 1/15/2022 - 1/28/2022 - \$183,412.61 Items

Councilor Mecham moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Siddoway seconded. Vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC FORUM, BID OPENINGS, AWARDS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Public Forum

Fallyn Catmull from Centracom introduced herself as the liaison between the city and Centracom. Every year the company does a service project, and they would like to come back to

the February 15 Council meeting to discuss some service options in Santaquin. Mayor Olson asked that Community Services be informed and be part of the discussion.

Mark Openshaw expressed appreciation for the Mayor and city setting up a meeting with Representative Burgess Owens and his staff. He is excited for the Murdoch Ford development at the south interchange. He asked that more information be provided about the PC zone and the potential development in that area. He is concerned about major flood waters in the area from Santaquin Canyon flowing around the south interchange and the many townhomes. He suggested the city work with Summit Creek Irrigation Company and establish a better channel to reservoir #2 from the interchange. Mayor Olson noted that the city is making headway on the issues with flooding and debris basins.

Recognitions

6. What Do You Love About Santaquin? - Photo of the Year Award 2021 - Katie Tesi

Penny Reeves introduced the winner of the annual photo contest, Katie Tesi. She was selected from the other 12 monthly photo contest winners in 2021.

7. Employee of the Month Award - Jon Lundell, City Engineer

Penny Reeves introduced Mr. Jon Lundell as the employee of the month. Mr. Lundell expressed appreciation for the recognition. Councilor Mecham shared appreciation for Mr. Lundell's honesty and hard work, which is indicative of all employees of the City.

8. Special Police Department Recognition - Police Dog Donation - Big Sky Construction

Officer Wall introduced Gavin Johnson of Big Sky Plumbing and expressed appreciation for Mr. Johnson's donation that made another drug canine in the department possible. Officer Wall discussed the importance of the canine program and the cost of having a canine. Mr. Johnson expressed appreciation for the work Santaquin does for Santaquin and Genola. Officer Lerwill presented the new canine officer, "Andy" to the Council.

Appointments

9. Interim City Recorder Appointment - Dennis Marker

Mayor Olson noted that with the resignation of Aaron Shirley there is a need to have a City Recorder. Motion made by Councilor Adcock to appoint Dennis Marker, City Operations Manager, as the interim-City Recorder until a new Recorder is found. Seconded by Councilor Hathaway. Vote was unanimous in favor.

BUILDING PERMIT & BUSINESS LICENSE REPORT

Community Development Director Jason Bond shared his monthly report. 570 residential units in 2021. 45 residential units so far this year. He also introduced Lazenby Construction, a home occupation, and Little Caesars as new businesses licensed in the city.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

10. Resolution 02-01-2022 - A Resolution Initiating the Tanner Annexation.

Mayor Olson reminded the council of discussion about this annexation during the previous council meeting. This resolution initiates the process of considering the annexation. Councilor Mecham clarified that approving this resolution is not approving the annexation but just starting consideration of the request.

Motion made by Councilor Hathaway to approve Resolution 02-01-2022. Seconded by Councilor Mecham.

Voting Yea: Council Member Adcock, Council Member Hathaway, Council Member Mecham, Council Member Siddoway. Resolution passed by unanimous vote.

11. Resolution 02-02-2022 - A Resolution Approving a Consulting Agreement with Lincoln-Hill Partners

Mayor Olson noted that this item was discussed during the earlier work meeting. This approves a contract to work with Lincoln-Hill to help capture potential millions of federal and state dollars to help the city with capital project costs. He thanked Aaron Shirley for all his hard work putting this together and working with the County to move things forward.

Councilor Adcock noted that the city had previously used a lobbyist, which, in his opinion, was a failure. He is, however, in favor of this contract and appreciates the staffs memos and explanation of the need for this.

Motion made by Councilor Mecham to approve Resolution 02-02-2022. Seconded by Councilor Siddoway.

Voting Yea: Council Member Adcock, Council Member Hathaway, Council Member Mecham, Council Member Siddoway.

Resolution passed by unanimous vote.

Discussion & Possible Action Items

12. Budget Allocation Request - Fire Department Rebuild of Brush Truck 142

Councilor Adcock introduced the need for rebuilding the city's 2000 brush truck #142. The modification is funded from wild land fire revenues.

Motion made by Councilor Adcock to approve a \$40,000 budget allocation from the Santaquin City Fire Department Fund Balance for reconstruction of Brush Truck #142. Seconded by Councilor Siddoway. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

13. Budget Allocation Request - Library Electrical Upgrade

Mayor Olson noted that the library electrical system was insufficient for the equipment and demand in the building. The allocation would come from the reserve balance in the amount of \$3,950.

Motion made by Councilor Mecham to ratify the expenditure of funds to upgrade electrical at the library. Seconded by Councilor Hathaway. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, STAFF, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

City Manager Reeves reviewed staff reorganization efforts. The city has advertised for a new, full-time Recorder. That advertisement closes on February 4 with hopes to have the new Recorder available in March. The Finance Director position, vacated by Mr. Shirley, will be filled by Mrs. Shannon Hoffman who will continue to work with Finance, HR, Utility Billing and the Court. Mrs. Hoffman's duties will be backfilled from within the city employees by Mrs. Suzie McDowell as an HR Tech and Mrs. Joyce Lamb in City Treasurer duties. Mrs. Brenda Shupe will also be promoted to help more with Utility billing. Finally, Lisa Wilkey, who has been working in the front office, will take on more duties with accounts payable. The promotions of current employees will have no budget impact due to some already being within the budget for this year and the loss of Mr. Shirley's wages in future payroll.

Assistant City Manager Norm Beagley noted that many projects continue to move forward as discussed during the earlier work session. Mayor Olson noted that there are many reports being prepared on the flooding matter raised by Mr. Openshaw. Mr. Beasley expounded that the Santaquin Canyon dam and channel to Reservoir #2 is in the Federal planning efforts and will be funded with Federal dollars. The townhome development is required to maintain a flood channel through it. Mr. Mark Openshaw reiterated his concerns about the flooding and said he is a willing partner to resolve the concerns and he appreciated the city's efforts.

Community Development Director Jason Bond discussed a development agreement being considered between the City and Murdoch Ford. It must be considered by the Planning Commission before coming to the City Council. The developers of Santaquin Estates are working with staff to finalize their development. The Chamber of Commerce is going to be more present at Planning Commission and City Council meetings. They want to be more involved in helping communities and particularly the Santaquin Orchard Days rodeo. They also want to build upon the hometown market in city parks this year. Tyler Moore from the Chamber was introduced as a chamber member present in the Council meeting.

REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Siddoway reported on efforts to help a homeowner with repairs.

Council Member Adcock reported that he has been meeting with Chris Lindquist, City EOC Manager, to put an Emergency Operation Plan committee together. He is also attending a Utah County Sustainability Coalition to look at issues with growth and environmental resources.

Council Member Hathaway reported on the Community Service Board meeting. He handed out a report showing participants in the Community Services programs. There were over 12,000 people that participated in city activities. Participation has grown by 50% in some programs over the past 5 years (see attached). The second report shows upcoming events and activities. The committee also wants to have a ribbon cutting for phase 2 at Harvest View Park. The Committee wants to revisit marketing and branding of the city's programs and opportunities. The Mayor noted that there is money in the budget for a Public Information Officer (PIO). A future PIO discussion in a work session would be appropriate. Councilor Hathaway raised the idea of an electronic sign on Main Street to help get information out.

Councilor Hathaway asked that the city revisit selling the old alfalfa field property. Manager Reeves noted there is no water or sewer to the property but there are many options with zoning, incentives, CDAs, infrastructure, etc. that the Council can discuss to entice a sale.

Council Member Mecham shared that he recently returned from a 2-week trip through the Panama Canal and came back even more grateful for Santaquin, our country and the people that are in it. He wouldn't choose to live anywhere else.

Mayor Olson reported on Representative Burgess Owen's visit to Santaquin. He visited the owners of Maracas, the Santaquin Pharmacy, Little Opee's, and Murdoch Ford. They discussed many issues facing small businesses and how he could help.

The Mayor is meeting with staff members to better understand their needs at all levels so he can speak better to the issues at the upcoming budget retreats.

The Mayor proposes the new bike park be named Prospector View Park. The different trails could be named after individual mines and geologic features up the canyon. Concept park drawings have been given to the Forest Service and they indicate support for our efforts. The city is now a member of the Utah Valley Trail Alliance and many phone calls have been received from people interested in volunteering to move the park forward.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Mecham moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Seconded by Councilor Siddoway. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Daniel M. Olson, Mayor

Dennis L. Marker, City Recorder