

1 **MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
2 **Thursday, May 5, 2011**  
3 **6:00 p.m.**  
4 **Helper Auditorium**  
5 **Council Chambers**  
6 **19 South Main**  
7 **Helper, Utah 84526**

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10 **ATTENDANCE:**

11 Mayor Dean Armstrong

City Staff

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13 **Council Members:**

14 Kirk Mascaro

15 Chris Pugliese (Late)

16 Robert Bradley

17 Gary Harwood

18 Brandon Wise (Absent Excused)

City Recorder Jeff Skerl

Chief Trent Anderson

City Attorney Gene S. Tate

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20 Citizens: John Serfustini, Debbie L., Neida Garcia, Lois Giordano, Charlie Jones,  
21 Pete Prazza.

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23 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

24 Mayor Armstrong directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

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27 The regular meeting of the Helper City Council was called to order by Mayor Armstrong  
28 at 6:00.

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31 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES April 7 and 11, 2011.**

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33 Council Member Bradley moved to approve the minutes of April 7 & 11, 2011. Council  
34 Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Bradley, Mascaro and  
35 Harwood voting yes.

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38 **NEIDA GARCIA AND CINDY CURRY DISCUSSION ON BEAUTIFICATION.**

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40 Neida Garcia and Lois Giordano announced they were retiring from the beautification  
41 committee. Ms. Garcia told the council that there are a few projects that they are going  
42 to complete. The sign located in the Museum Park will be relocated to the beginning of  
43 Main Street on the South end of town. A replica of the Welcome to Helper arch,  
44 donated by Dave Palacios and Savage Corporation will be put in its place. Ms Garcia  
45 informed the council that Cindy Curry, owner of the Balance Rock Eatery would be  
46 taking over the flower pots on Main Street.

47 **CHARLIE JONES DISCUSSION ON SWAP MEET.**

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49 Charlie Jones addressed the council with the idea of having a swap meet on 1<sup>st</sup> West.  
50 Mr. Jones explained that he has been to several swap meets and it seems to generate  
51 revenue and tourist to the area. The council asked Mr. Jones who would be in charge  
52 of the meet and how would it be organized? Mr. Jones agreed to help research swap  
53 meets in other cities to see how they on done and will report back to the council.  
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56 **DEBBIE LEE DISCUSSION ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY AND STORM WATER**  
57 **ISSUES ON PALMER STREET.**

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59 Debbie Lee expressed an interest in a small piece of property near her home on Palmer  
60 Street. The city map shows this lot as Scovil Street however the county plat maps show  
61 no owner. The council suggested that Ms. Lee do a title search to see who owns the  
62 lot. Ms. Lee also told the council that there are problems with storm water coming  
63 down Palmer and Welby Street. The council agreed to look into the storm water  
64 problem for Ms. Lee.  
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66 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON APPOINTMENT FOR THE LIBRARY**  
67 **BOARD.**

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70 Mayor Armstrong recommended the council appoint Marci Tallerico to the Library  
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73 Council Member Mascaro moved to approve the appointment of Marci Tallerico to the  
74 Library Board. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried.  
75 Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Harwood voting yes.  
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77 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON LOCAL CONSENT FOR ARTS FESTIVAL.**

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80 Council Member Mascaro moved to approve the local consent for Helper Arts Festival  
81 Beer and Wine License. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion  
82 Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Harwood voting yes.  
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85 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR 2011-2012.**

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87 Council Member Mascaro moved to approve the Tentative Budget 2011-2012. Council  
88 Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro  
89 and Harwood voting yes.  
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93 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON RESOLUTION 2011-3 INCREASE IN SEWER**  
 94 **RATE.**

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 96 This was a \$1.00 increase to sewer rates only.

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 98 Council Member Mascaro moved to adopt Resolution 2011-3 increasing the sewer rate  
 99 \$1.00. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as  
 100 follows: Council Members Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, and Harwood in favor with no  
 101 one in opposition Resolution 2011-3 passed by a unanimous roll call vote

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105 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON CEMETERY OPERATIONS AND**  
 106 **MAINTENANCE.**

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 108 No discussion on this item.

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 110 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON DESIGNATION OF VISITOR INFORMATION**  
 111 **CENTER.**

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 113 Mayor Armstrong told the council that the South Department of Transportation (UDOT) will  
 114 supply signage for a visitor center if Heber designates a location. Mayor Armstrong felt  
 115 that this would help get tourists into Heber. Mayor Armstrong asked City Recorder  
 116 Skerl if the City Hall would be able to handle being the Visitor Information Center. City  
 117 Recorder Skerl told the council that the personnel at the city hall have always helped  
 118 visitors.

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121 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON REVISING THE CIB PRIORITY LIST.**

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 123 Mayor Armstrong explained about revising the CIB priority list to add a Master Capital  
 124 Facilities Plan in the amount of \$120,000. The plan must be added before an  
 125 application for a grant can be submitted to the CIB.

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 127 Council Member Pugliese moved to approve the revision to the CIB priority list to  
 128 include the Master Capital Facilities Plan. Council Member Mascaro seconded the  
 129 motion. Motion carried Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Harwood voting yes.

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131 **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON DESIGNATING FUND BALANCES.**

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 133 City Recorder Skerl informed the council of a new GASB 54 statement that requires  
 134 clarification of governmental fund types and who can make these assignments.  
 135 The council will have Attorney Strate construct a Resolution designating the council to  
 136 oversee the fund types.

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141 **MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.**  
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143 Council Member Pugliese moved to go to a closed session to discuss a possible ligation  
144 issue. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese,  
145 Bradley, Mascaro and Harwood voting yes.  
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148 Council Member Pugliese moved to approve return to an open meeting. Council  
149 Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro  
150 and Harwood voting yes.  
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152 **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.**  
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154 Chief Anderson reported that enforcement has been heavy on dog licenses this month.  
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156 Council Member Harwood reported the O'bertone was one he has three homes hooked  
157 up so far.

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159 Council Member Mascaro reported the fund raiser for the Rio Theater on May 20 and  
160 21, 2011. This will be a kid's play and should be a lot of fun to watch.

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163 Council Member Bradley reported that he will hold lifeguard certification classes this  
164 year.

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168 Council Member Pugliese reported Vegas' drainage problem can be fixed with a drain  
169 box and pipe for discharging the water down the mountainside. There are a few of  
170 these already on Reservoir Street. Mr. Vega did not have a problem with allowing the  
171 city to go through his yard.

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177 Mayor Armstrong reported that Cedar City has passed an ordinance regarding cats that  
178 is very well written. The Outlaw Car Show has 300 applications so far this year and the  
179 cruise is set for June 17, 2011 on Main Street.

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There being no further business Council Member Pugliese moved to adjourn. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Harwood voting yes. Meeting adjourned.

I here by certify that the fore going represents a true, accurate and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

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Dean Armstrong  
Mayor

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Anna Skerl  
City Recorder

Approved on June 2, 2011

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