

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, July 11, 2013
6:00 p.m.
Helper Auditorium
Council Chambers
19 South Main
Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Edward Chavez

City Staff

Council Members:

Kirk Mascaro
Chris Pugliese
Robert Bradley
Gary Harwood (Absent Excused)
Jason Llewelyn

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
City Attorney Gene Strate

Citizens: Leila Andrews, Sue Ann Martell, Darrin Teply and John Serfustini.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Chavez directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES June 6, 2013.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the minutes of June 6, 2013. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

ANGEL DALPIAZ DISCUSSION ON CONSTRUCTION.

Mrs. Dalpiaz was not at the meeting.

WALTER BORLA DISCUSSION ON LIONS PARK PAVILION.

Mr. Borla was unable to attend the meeting this item will be on the next agenda.

BOYD ANDERSON DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON BATHROOMS AT LITTLE LEAGUE.

Mr. Anderson and Jody Knowlden addressed the council on the issue of building bathrooms at the Walt Borla Little League Field. Mr. Anderson told the council he had several businesses willing to donate supplies or discount supplies for the bathrooms. Mr. Anderson asked council for permission to apply for a grant through the Special Service District. Council Member Llewelyn asked Mr. Anderson to obtain a written donation form from all the businesses that were donating supplies. The list of donations will be needed for the grant application. Council Member Llewelyn explained one of the council members would have to attend the meeting with Mr. Anderson.

Council Member Llewelyn moved to approve Mr. Anderson to apply for Special Service Grant. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

MORGAN LUND DISCUSSION ON PROPERTY ISSUE.

Mr. Lund was unable to attend the meeting this item will be on the next agenda.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL RAISES FOR EMPLOYEES.

Council Member Pugliese agreed with Chief Anderson's formula for merit raises for all the police officers. Currently all officers make the same wage regardless of how many years of service. Council Member Pugliese suggested all employees receive a 3% increase and police officers receive merit raises as purposed by Chief Anderson.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve a 3% increase to all permanent employees and all police officers with a merit raises. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON CARBON COUNTY FIRE CONTRACT.

This item will be rolled over to the next meeting.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON REPLACING PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK.

Council Member Pugliese informed the council the public works truck will not be replaced; instead a new engine has been installed.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH WASTE LOGISTICS SEWER LINE.

Attorney Strate presented council with an agreement to purchase Waste Logistic's Sewer Line. The council wanted item 7B, the sum of \$500 for each residential equivalent connected for the period of 30 years removed from the agreement.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve agreement with 7B removed from the agreement. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON ORDINANCE 2013-3 PERTAINING TO LIVING IN RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

Council Member Pugliese moved to adopt Ordinance 2013-3 pertaining to living in recreational vehicles. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Pugliese, Mascaro and Llewelyn in favor with Bradley voting against Ordinance 2013-3 passed with three to one vote.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON ORDINANCE 2013-4 PERTAINING TO THE CONTROL OF FERAL ANIMALS.

Attorney Strate explained Ordinance 2013-4 was just a draft and changes can be made. Mayor Chavez had a problem with licensing cats, it will be hard to enforce and residents may not comply. Sue Ann Martell reported her husband and herself have been feeding, medicating and neutering two colonies of cats. Ms. Martell stated that they have cleaned the areas where the feeding stations and colonies are located. They have received threats and cats have been mutilated and poisoned, all have been reported to American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Ms. Martell would like to have an education program for the community on spade and neutering. We have documented all the animals in the colony by video but, we don't like to mark the cat's ears. Council Member Bradley told Ms. Martell to come back with a proposal to help fix this problem. We have complaints of cat feces in yards and we have to react to the problem. Ms. Martell asked for a copy of the ordinance and told council she will bring back some suggestions.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON RESOLUTION 2013-4 PERTAINING TO ELECTRONIC MEETINGS.

Council Member Bradley moved to adopt Resolution 2013-4 pertaining to electronic meetings. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn in favor with no one in opposition Resolution 2013-4 passed by unanimous roll call vote.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON WATER, SEWER, STORM DRAIN PROJECT.

Nothing to report at this time.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

No motion was made.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.

Council Member Bradley reported there will be some power line tree trimming done in the fall. The pool blast tank will need to be cleaned at the pool and the sand tanks may need to be replaced the life span is about 5 years. Special Service District granted the River Project \$44,000 so they are going to start the pilot project. Council Member Bradley would like to thank Gary Harwood, Public Works Director for giving all the council a report on each of their departments.

Council Member Mascaro reported the Carbon School District meet and voted against building a new Helper Jr. High. Council should set up a meeting with the District to appeal the vote. The funding for playground equipment is at \$14,500 and going well.

Council Member Llewelyn reported the Bookmobile is all moved in to the library there will be some painting and remodeling.

Council Member Pugliese reported he is designing new city logos for all public works vehicles. There were two major leaks that have been repaired that helped with the water situation. The 4-way stop signs that were installed at Canyon and Roosevelt have been slowing the traffic down.

Attorney Strate reported the RAP tax was approved by County Commission so the city should do some advertising so the public knows what RAP tax means. The Jacksons attorney is working on the easement for the Helper Springs so we can complete the fencing project.

Mayor Chavez reported Price Communications had prepared a spreadsheet for pricing for future years. A new retail business would like to move into town and is looking for a location. Jim Noyes is looking to use the Helper Auditorium for basketball practice.

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

I hereby certify that the fore going represents a true, accurate, and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, July 11, 2013.

Edward Chavez Jr
Mayor

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on August 1, 2013

