

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, March 7, 2013
6:00 p.m.
Helper Auditorium
Council Chambers
19 South Main
Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:
Mayor

City Staff

Council Members:

Kirk Mascaro (Mayor Pro-Tempore)
Chris Pugliese
Robert Bradley
Gary Harwood
Jason Llewelyn

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
City Attorney Gene Strate

Citizens: Michele Goldsmith, Mark and Stella Wickman, Louise and Charlie Hamilton, Chad Brown, Eric Franson, Steve Giacoletto, Dave and Mary Lou Dornan, Tim Saccomano, Tony Gonzales and John Serfustini.

The regular meeting of the Helper City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tempore Mascaro at 6:00.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES January 3 and February 7, 23, 2013.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the corrected minutes of January 3, and February 7, 23, 2013. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese. Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON BOOKMOBILE MERGING WITH LIBRARY.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the library merging with the Bookmobile. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese. Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

LOUISE HAMILTON ON VETERAN'S MONUMENT.

Mrs. Hamilton requested to use the Helper Auditorium free of charge for a fund raiser on May 1. Mrs. Hamilton reported the National Guard would be returning from Afghanistan around that time and an invitation will be extended to them and their families. Mrs. Hamilton will be applying for a liquor license from the state to be able to sell alcohol at the event. Mrs. Hamilton asked the council if there could be a flag pole placed near the area of the monument. The council supported all of the plans for the monument and will check on a flag pole.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the local consent and wave the rental fee. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

FRANSON ENGINEERING REPORT ON WATER, SEWER AND STORM DRAIN PROJECTS.

Eric Franson and Chad Brown presented updates on all the infrastructure projects including the springs. Gary Harwood will be the project manager for the city, he will sign change orders and be in contact with the engineers and contractors. Jason Llewelyn asked for maps to be placed at city hall for all residents to view. Council Member Harwood informed the council the contractors will have a public relations person on site during the entire project and there will be a flyer for every homeowner informing them long before construction begins. Council Member Bradley had concerns about Helper Junior High and bus routes. Mr. Brown stated the plans show construction on the bus route to be complete before school is in session.

BRYNER PLOUTZ DITCH COMPANY DISCUSSION ON DITCH RIGHT-A-WAY

Dave Dornan representing Bryner Ploutz Ditch Company, stated 20 shareholders will be affected by the new storm drain system the city plans to install. Currently the ditch company uses the city gutters to distribute the secondary water to each shareholder from Fabrizio to Vernal Street. The ditch company wants to work with the city and possibly pipe the ditch while the storm drain is being installed. The estimated cost is \$90,000 for 30 hookups and this will cost each person about \$3,000. There are about 80 shares of water in the Bryner Ploutz now which is enough for 60 hookups. If everyone is on the system it will cost so much less stated Mr. Dornan. Mr. Dornan felt the piped secondary water would raise the value of homes, so they need to try and get as many people to connect as they can. Bryner Ploutz would like to work with the city in getting the storm drain system installed without delaying the project and without any legal action. Council Member Bradley stated the city wants to work with the ditch company to help as much as possible. Mr. Dornan will meet with Council Member Harwood and Attorney Strate to try and work something out. The city will not be able to loan or give the ditch company money, Erica Kardelis is looking for loans and grants to help with the cost.

AMERICAN LEGION FIELD APPROVAL ON EXPENSES.

Council Member Harwood has ordered fill dirt and wind break fencing he will be looking for red dirt. Council Member Llewelyn has been trying to find some red dirt that will be cheaper than \$90 a ton. Council discussed finding funding to build restrooms at the little league.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING PROPERTY FOR RIGHT-AWAY FOR SEWER PROJECT.

Council Member Harwood informed the council, Waste Logistics is willing to sell the sewer line they installed for about \$100,000 under the west side of Highway 6 . The sewer project will have a sewer line going under Highway 6 for the seven homes on the west side currently using septic tanks. The new bids for Area 1 show the boring under the highway at a cost of \$39,000 adding the pipe and labor could cost up to \$50,000. Council would like Attorney Strate and Council Member Harwood to negotiate with Waste Logistics on the price of the sewer line.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve Attorney Strate and Council Member Harwood to negotiate a price with Waste Logistics purchasing their sewer line. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING PROPERTY FOR RIVER RESTORATION PROJECT.

Council Member Harwood told council Mayor Armstrong had suggested purchasing 15 North Main for the River Project. Council Member Harwood was not sure what the benefit of purchasing the property was. Council decided not to purchase 15 North Main at this time.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING TURNOUTS FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.

Council Member Llewelyn moved to approve purchasing fire department turnout for the amount of \$2,000 . Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON ACQUIRING MAIN STREET FROM U.D.O.T.

Chad Brown explained the acquiring of Main Street came up during the planning of the infrastructure project. Mayor Armstrong negotiated a price of \$750,000 which Franson Engineers felt would cover the maintenance of Main Street. Mr. Brown told the council he would recheck to make sure \$750,000 will still cover the cost now we have bids to compare to.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve acquiring Main Street from UDOT for \$750,000 if the number will still cover the cost of maintenance. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON BOYACK PROPERTY.

Council Member Pugliese moved to offer Mr. Boyack \$40,000 up to \$52,000 for his property at the end of Bryner Street. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro , Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

Council Member Pugliese moved to a closed session for personnel issue. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro , Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

Council Member Pugliese moved to return to open session. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro , Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.

Chief Anderson reported the new cars will be arriving soon.

City Recorder Skerl reminded the council the budget will be due on May 2.

Attorney Strate reminded the council the water for the sheep in the Jackson agreement needs to be done soon.

Council Member Bradley reported he is trying to get lifeguards training for the new lifeguards.

Council Member Harwood reported to council the old Arts Festival sign has been removed. The old home on Main Street is being remodeled by Sam Chiara. The public works department has been cleaning up the shop and received \$3500 for salvaging steel. The 1989 Chevrolet truck sold for \$504. Price River Water Improvement District is willing to lease our 200 shares of water again this year and will need a letter from the city. Council agreed to send a letter to allow Price River Water Improvement District to lease the shares.

Council Member Mascaro reported on events in the Rio for first Friday.

There being no further business Council Member Pugliese moved to adjourn. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood 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, March 7, 2013.

Kirk Mascaro
Mayor Pro Tempore

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on April 4, 2013

