

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, June 5, 2014
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
Jason Llewelyn

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
City Attorney Angela Sampinos

Citizens: Juanita Feichko, Matilda Martinez, Martin Martinez, Walter Borla, Cole Stapley 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 THE MINUTES May 1, 2014.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the minutes of May 1, 2014. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2014-1 FOR BUDGET 2014-2015 AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2014-2 AMENDING THE BUDGET 2013-2014.

Council Member Bradley moved to open the Public Hearing at 6:05 P.M. to receive comments on the 2014-2015 budget and the amending of the 2013-2014 budget. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes. This budget includes transfers from the electric, water and garbage enterprise funds. The city also will be charged utilities for all city buildings. There being no comments Council Member Bradley moved to close the public hearing at 6:15 P.M. and adopt Resolution 2014-1 adopting the budget for 2014-2015 Resolution 2014-2 amending the current budget. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood in favor with no one in opposition Resolution 2014-1 and 2014-2 passed by unanimous roll call vote

JUANITA FEICHKO FOR MATILDA MARTINEZ DISCUSSION ON WATER LEAK BILLING.

Ms. Feichko addressed the council on an issue with her mother's water bill. Ms. Feichko explained Ms. Martinez called City Hall and requested her meter reread due to a high reading for the winter. Public works did not read the meter for a week after the call was made. When Public Works did read it a call was made to Ms. Martinez that she had a large water leak at her home. Ms. Martinez found her main line had broken between her home and the meter. Ms. Feichko felt because of the delay in rereading the meter for a week the billing became even higher. Ms. Feichko asked the council to forgive the entire bill of \$708.50. Council Member Pugliese explained several residents had high water bills because of leaks this year. Council Member Pugliese told Ms. Feichko the city will reduce the bill by \$178 for the delay in the reread leaving a balance of \$530.50 in which Ms. Martinez could make payments.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve deducting \$178 from Ms. Martinez's water bill and allow her to make payments on the balance. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON ATV TRAIL SIGNS.

Mayor Chavez presented the council with a sample of the trail signs and a picture of how they will look installed. The council agreed to allow the installation of the new trail signs as long as they are not installed on any stop signs.

APPROVAL OF LOCAL CONSENT FOR ART'S FESTIVAL BEER PERMIT.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve the local consent for the Arts Festival beer permit. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL RESOLUTION 2014-3 FEES FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER.

Attorney Sampinos explained the fee of \$100 will be charged to the defendant to help with the court cost of a public defender.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve Resolution 2014-3 fees for public defender. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn, and Harwood in favor with no one in opposition Resolution 2014-3 passed by unanimous roll call vote.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING A DUMP TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9500.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve purchasing a dump truck in the amount of \$9500. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON APPOINTMENT FOR MUSEUM BOARD MEMBER.

Council Member Mascaro requested the council appoint Stephanie Asay to the Museum Board. Ms. Asay is a member of the travel council and would be a huge asset to the board.

Council Member Mascaro moved to approve the appointment of Stephanie Assay to the Museum Board. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON CERTIFIED TAX RATE.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the certified tax rate of .003175. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

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

Council Member Harwood reported Condie Construction will be done and gone by June 10 they are working on the punch list this week. Terry Larsen Excavating is gone, but will be working on any repairs needed. Silver Spur has completed the water, sewer and storm drain on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th North and will be paving next week. Silver Spur also helped fix a sewer problem on 260 Duchesne Street which was caused by Terry Larsen Excavating not connecting the right line up to the main line.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

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

Council Member Mascaro moved 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 he had received the grant from the USDA for the new police cars and would be ordering them soon.

Council Member Mascaro reported the Beehive Drive formally Utah Fast Pass is returning on July 29th at 11:30 AM, we will provide a luncheon for 100 people. Beehive Drive gives a donation to the city of \$2,000 and a scholarship for a student at Helper Junior High. Council Member Mascaro presented the council with the new museum pamphlets.

Council Member Bradley reported the pool plaster in the shallow end is holding up and the pool opened on May 27.

Council Member Pugliese reported the old dump truck will be sold on the Public Auction Website.

Council Member Llewelyn reported the gazebo in the Main Street Park needs new floor boards it is starting to become unsafe. The gate at the Legion Field needs to be repaired before the tournament on June 9th. The Library Board has requested wireless internet be installed and we are looking into the Google wireless.

Attorney Sampinos reported she is working at improving the nuisance ordinance.

Mayor Chavez reported a pool pass will be given to the volunteers that drove the carts for Memorial Day at the cemetery.

There being no further business Council Member Mascaro 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, June 5, 2014.

Edward Chavez Jr.
Mayor

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on July 3, 2014

