

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, November 6, 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 (Absent Excused)
Jason Llewelyn

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
City Attorney Angela Sampinos

Citizens: Walter Borla, Jessica and Brady Andreason, Amanda Holley, Jim Boyd, Scott Henseler, Scottie Draper.

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 October 2, 2014.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the minutes of October 2, 2014. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, and Llewelyn voting yes.

CINDI CURRY DISCUSSION ON LIGHT PARADE EVENTS.

Ms. Curry could not attend the meeting so Amanda Holley explained the events to the council. Ms. Holley stated there was funding for a synchronized light show during the two nights of the light parade. Ms. Holley asked the council for permission to have the light show on three city blocks. Ms. Holley suggested this year to give an award for the best decorated home in the amount of \$250. Ms. Holley also has the funding for the prize through donations. The council appreciated Ms. Holley's and Cindi Curry's efforts to make the 25th Light Parade special and gave permission for the light show.

APPROVAL ON HIRING NEW EMPLOYEE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Zamantakis could not attend the meeting.

WALTER BORLA ON CEMETERY ISSUES.

Mr. Borla brought a sample of a weed that he dug out of the cemetery grass. Mr. Borla was unhappy with the condition of the cemetery grass. The council explained the cemetery had some flooding with the hard rain in August and washed weeds and mud into the cemetery breaking the fence on the south side. The public works crew has been trying to repair the damage. Mr. Borla reported the sign on the Strand Theater should be painted and used to advertise upcoming events in the city. Museum Director, Jim Boyd informed the council that a grant has been written for the restoration of the sign and hopefully will be done next year.

LITA RILEY DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON MUSEUM INFORMATION SIGN.

Lita Riley and Jim Boyd asked council's approval to revamp the kiosk in the Mining Museum equipment park. The kiosk has old business advertisements from about twenty years ago. The council appreciated the interest in restoring the kiosk with some new information.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the restoring the information kiosk in the mining museum park. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON FIREWORKS FOR LIGHT PARADE.

Council Member Llewelyn inquired on how much the light parade committee would need for the fireworks. Council Member Mascaro explained the cost will be about \$6,000 for the fireworks this year since it is the 25th year.

Council Member Llewelyn moved to approve funding in the amount \$3,500 for the fireworks. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, and Llewelyn voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON NEW COMPUTERS FOR CITY HALL.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve purchasing new computers for City Hall and the court. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley and Mascaro voting yes. Llewelyn abstained from voting because he is the IT for the city.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL TO REPAIR TRIP HAZARD AT POOL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1600.

Council Member Pugliese informed the council Public Works Director Gary Harwood obtained a bid to repair the decking at the pool for a trip hazard in the amount of \$1600.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve repair for the decking at the pool in the amount of \$1600. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and Llewelyn voting yes.

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

Mayor Chavez reported that substantial completion will be done by November 18, 2014 and final completion will be November 28, 2014. Paving is almost completed except for Martin Road it is still being worked on.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

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

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

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.

Council Member Pugliese reported all the parks and secondary water are winterized. There was a water leak on ash road that has been repaired. Christmas decoration are being installed on Main Street. We have had 6 bins of scrap metal picked up this month which is great.

Council Member Bradley reported Silver Spur took out the power to all of the west side of town.

Council Member Llewelyn reported the library will have new hours Monday-Friday 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., closed on Saturday. There will be a book fair coming up to get children into the library.

Council Member Mascaro reported the Light Parade Events going good. The plaque frames for the Gazebo and Big John are ready to go. The frame for Big John will be made out of the old rail from Castle Gate.

Attorney Sampinos reported she had several calls regarding the weed complaint in the letter to the editor. The AT&T cell tower contract will be expiring August, 2015 we will be getting a new contract soon and it will need to be signed.

Mayor Chavez reported the Italian Lodge asked to have flags put up for Columbus Day from now on.

There being no further business Council Member Mascaro moved to adjourn. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro and 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, November 6, 2014.

Edward Chavez Jr.
Mayor

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on December 4, 2014

