

**MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, August 6, 2015**  
**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  
Attorney Angela Sampinos (Phone)

Citizens: John Serfustini, Eric Johnson, Roger and Ruth Metzger, Heele Eden, Jodi Mascaro, McCade Mascaro, 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 July 2, 2015.**

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the corrected minutes of July 2, 2015  
Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley,  
Mascaro and Harwood voting yes. Llewelyn abstaining.

**A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE HELPER CITY TAXABLE WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015 IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 BEARING INTEREST AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED 1.5% PER ANNUM, TO MATURE IN NOT MORE THAN 35 YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF (I) FINANCING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; (II) PAYING EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE BONDS AND RELATED MATTER.**

Mayor Chavez requested a motion to open the public hearing.

Council Member Harwood moved to open the Public Hearing at 6:01 P.M. to receive comments on the issuance of taxable water revenue bonds. Council Member Llewelyn seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

Eric Johnson, Bond Attorney, explained why the proposed amount was \$4,000,000 when it is only \$2,450,000 and 0% interest. Mr. Johnson told the council at the time the board had not yet approved the grant and loan. Mr. Johnson pointed out that the loan can be prepaid at any time. Council Member Bradley asked how much the water and sewer would increase. Council Member Harwood stated the water would increase \$16.50 for 5,000 gallons and the sewer could increase \$10.00. The Water Quality Board has not approved the sewer increase as of today.

There being no public comments Council Member Llewelyn moved to close the Public Hearing at 6:08 P.M. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

**A RESOLUTION 2015-8 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF \$2,450,000 TAXABLE WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015 FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Council Member Llewelyn moved to approve Resolution 2015-8 authorizing water revenue bonds in the amount of \$2,450,000. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood in favor. Pugliese voting no. Resolution 2015-8 passed by a 4 to 1 roll call vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOT MORE THAN \$3,000,000 SEWER REVENUE BONDS TO FINANCE SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; FIXING THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, MATURITY, INTEREST RATE, AND DISCOUNT OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND BONDS TO BE ISSUED; AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Mayor Chavez requested a motion to open the public hearing.

Council Member Llewelyn moved to open the Public Hearing at 6:10 P.M. to receive comments on the issuance of taxable sewer revenue bonds. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

There being no public comments Council Member Llewelyn moved to close the Public Hearing at 6:11 P.M. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

**A RESOLUTION 2015-9 AUTHORIZING THE \$2,314,000 TAXABLE SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015, FOR SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Council Member Llewelyn moved to approve Resolution 2015-9 authorizing water revenue bonds not more than \$2,314,000. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood in favor. Pugliese voting no. Resolution 2015-9 passed by a 4 to 1 roll call vote.

**RUTH METZGER DISCUSSION ON BURN OUT AND CAR SHOW FOR ARTS FESTIVAL.**

Roger Metzger addressed the council on the upcoming Car Show requesting Main Street be closed from Locust Street to Ivy Street. Council agreed to work on closing the street for the car show on Saturday, August 15. Ruth Metzger informed the council the insurance policy was in place for the burn out event on Friday, August 14.

### **ASH JENKINS/ DISCUSSION ON DESIGNATING COLTON SPRING AREA AS A COOPERATIVE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT.**

Mr Jenkins advised the council to designate the Colton Spring Area as a CWMU. This would prevent hunters going into the springs. Mr. Jenkins stated that if a hunter is caught hunting in the springs area they can and will be prosecuted. The CWMU will also patrol the area for the city.

Council Member Harwood moved to designate the Colton Springs Area as a CWMU. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

### **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON RENAMING LOCUST STREET PARK.**

Council Member Mascaro stated the Mayor had received a letter requesting the Locust Street Park be renamed the Mascaro Family Park. Council Member Mascaro had purchased a sign for the park under the Mayor's approval. The Mascaro family explained they are not renaming the whole park just the playground area. McCade Mascaro presented a picture of the sign to the council. Council Member Pugliese commented the sign was very well done. Jodi Mascaro stated the sign was paid for out of donated funds and with the remaining funds they are repairing the basketball court asphalt.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the naming of the playground area Mascaro Community Playground. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, and Llewelyn voting yes and Harwood voting no.

### **DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON VIGOR CLAIM.**

Moved to closed session.

### **REPORT ON WATER, SEWER, AND STORM DRAIN PROJECTS.**

Council Member Harwood reported Silver Spur has left and there are still some sidewalk issues. Council Member Harwood will get a contractor to replace the sidewalks and charge Silver Spur for the cost. Knife River will be starting in Area 3 going North on Railroad Ave, Welby Street, and Janet Street. Knife River is hoping to start Main Street in early March 2016 and finishing July 2016.

## **MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.**

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

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

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the payment of \$5,000 to Eric and Candace Vigor for a sewer backup and withhold that amount on Silvers Spurs retention. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

## **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.**

Council Member Pugliese reported he would like to advertise for the street truck he felt he could get a better deal than the state bid.

Council Member Llewelyn reported the library and bookmobile received a compliment from some out-of-state visitors on how nice the library was. Council Member Llewelyn informed council on a federal grant he was working on to replace the waterlines from the springs to the city.

Council Member Mascaro reported the plaques had been installed at the Main Street Park and at the 19 South Main for Big John.

Chief Anderson reported he hired a new police officer Adam Sandoval.

Mayor Chavez reported the Special Forces have come and gone with no problems.

There being no further business Council Member Pugliese moved to adjourn. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, 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, August 6, 2015

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Edward Chavez  
Mayor

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Jona Skerl  
City Recorder

Approved on September 3, 2015

