

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, September 3, 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 (Absent Excused)
Chris Pugliese (Phone)
Robert Bradley
Gary Harwood
Jason Llewelyn (Absent)

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
Attorney Angela Sampinos

Citizens: John Serfustini, Traci Bishop, Kate Kilpatrick-Miller, Walt Borla.

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 August 3 and 27, 2015.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve the minutes of August 3 and 27, 2015
Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley,
and Harwood voting yes.

NICHOLE NELSON DISCUSSION ON HOSTING AN OKTOBERFEST.

Ms. Nelson was not in attendance.

CINDI CURRY DISCUSSION ON OKTOBERFEST.

Ms. Curry was not in attendance.

AWARD BID FOR STREET DEPARTMENT TRUCK WITH DUMP BED.

Council Member Harwood read aloud the three bids received and reviewed on September 1, 2015. Council Member Harwood and Council Member Pugliese went over each bid to make sure the specifications were correct. Council Member Harwood recommend to award the lowest bidder Price Ford at \$51,085.00.

Council Member Harwood moved to award the bid for the truck with dump bed to Price Ford in the amount of \$51,085.00. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING 215 ELECTRIC RADIO READ CHIPS AT \$65 EACH.

Council Member Bradley asked Council Member Harwood if this was enough to finish all the electric meters. Council Member Harwood the Deputy Recorder, Joan Burgess had counted all the customers without radio reads so this would finish the project.

Council Member Bradley moved to purchase the radio read chips in the total amount of \$13,975. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON REPAIRING SIDEWALK ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE MUSEUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.

Council Member Harwood explained the problem with the sidewalk on North Poplar Street next to the Museum. With the new curb and gutter the sidewalk is lower than the gutter leaving a 6" diamond strip. This is a tripping hazard and the whole sidewalk needs to be replaced. Council Member Bradley asked for more bids on the project before proceeding. Council Member Pugliese requested the sidewalk be replaced on the Southside of Sunset Avenue. Council Member Harwood will get more bids for the concrete work that needs to be done.

Council Member Bradley moved to approve concrete work in the amount of \$5,000 awarding to the lowest bidder the contract. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, and Harwood voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING NEW CANINE POLICE VEHICLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,000.

Chief Anderson informed the council the current canine police car is a 2008 and is continually needing repairs. The bid that was received is a car from an auction and is a 2013 Ford in the amount of \$21,297. Chief Anderson explained the gear that is needed to outfit a canine car can cost up to \$15,000. Chief Anderson felt he could get about \$10,000 by selling the 2008 and the Ford Expedition that is no longer needed. With grant funds of 5,000, that leaves about \$6,297 left for the city to pay. Council Members Bradley and Pugliese both would like to see more bids or get permission from the Utah State Purchasing Authority before approving the purchase.

DISCUSSION AND/OR AN ORDINANCE 2015-4 ALLOWING FOR ALTERNATIVE ENERGY INTERCONNECTION.

Council Member Bradley reviewed the changes made to Ordinance 2015-4 with the council.

Council Member Pugliese moved to approve Ordinance 2015-4 allowing for alternative energy interconnection. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. The Council roll call vote is as follows: Council Members Pugliese, Bradley, and Harwood in favor. Ordinance 2015-4 passed by unanimous vote.

REPORT ON WATER, SEWER, AND STORM DRAIN PROJECTS.

Council Member Harwood informed the council Knife River is going very slow with the construction they have only laid 200 feet of water and sewer pipe. They have promised to have a larger crew here next week and hopefully we can see more production. Council Member Harwood reported Silver Spur has fixed some issues on Bryner Street and 5th Avenue. Condie Construction returned and fixed some issues on 1st West.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

No motion was made.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT.

Council Member Harwood reported that secondary watering in the parks and cemetery have been cut to one day a week. Tree trimming has begun for the electricity system and they have found area's where the wire has been exposed. Rocky Mountain Power will be working on replacing the exposed line. Brittany Bishop has expressed an interest in getting certified in water, waste water, and heavy equipment operator. No other employee has any interest in getting certified, Brittany will be trained and certified. We have lost some instructors in the fire department so we are sending three fire personnel to Moab for training. The class is free and the city will have to pay for a room and meal per diems.

Mayor Chavez reported we may want to look into selling some of the eastside property before the new construction begins in that area.

There being no further business Council Member Bradley moved to adjourn. Council Member Harwood seconded the motion. Motion Carried: Pugliese, Bradley, 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, September 3, 2015

Edward Chavez
Mayor

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on October 1, 2015