

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, January 5, 2012
6:00 p.m.
Helper Auditorium
Council Chambers
19 South Main
Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Dean Armstrong

City Staff

Council Members:

Kirk Mascaro
Chris Pugliese
Robert Bradley
Gary Harwood
Jason Llewelyn

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Chief Trent Anderson
City Attorney Gene Strate

Citizens: Larry Ganser, Orlando Ochoa, Charlie Jones, Robert Limone, Mel Marrelli, Don and Micha Marrelli, McKell Warburton, Jodi Mascaro, Mark Montoya, Geoff Liesik, KSL News, Jason Carey, Randi Gallegos, Greg Gallegos, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martinez, Mike and Angel Dalpiaz, Bridgett Dalpiaz and family, James Madrigal, Amanda Holley, Joe Bonacci, Marilou Kundmuller, Dave Dornan, Kathleen Royster, Joy Bradley, Eric Allred, James Callor, Joe Busio, Brandon Wise, Jean Boyack, John Jones, Chuck Buchanan, Martin Martinez and John Serfustini

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Armstrong directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

The regular meeting of the Helper City Council was called to order by Mayor Armstrong at 6:00.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES December 1, 15, and 29 2011.

Council Member Harwood moved to approve the corrected typos in the minutes of December 1, 15, and 29 2011. Council Member Mascaro seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Llewelyn and Harwood voting yes.

MCKELL WARBURTON ON GIRLS AND BOYS CLUB.

Ms. Warburton explained about the activities the Girls and Boys Club provide for Carbon County residents. Ms. Warburton stated there are twenty-five Helper Jr. High students that are bused to Price so; they may participate in the program. This program is totally funded by grants and donations and is in need of \$1,000 in new donation money for the matching grant. Mayor Armstrong explained the only thing Helper can offer is in kind services such as, the use of the Helper Auditorium at no cost. Ms. Warburton understood the condition of the budget and is willing to take some in kind services to help at this time. The council praised and supported the program and the job that Ms. Warburton has done.

ANGEL DALPIAZ COMMENTS ON MAYOR'S CONDUCT AND A CALL FOR HIS RESIGNATION.

Mrs. Dalpiaz addressed the council with comments on the Mayor's DUI and overall conduct. Mrs. Dalpiaz felt the Mayor should uphold the laws of the City and not endanger its residents. Mrs. Dalpiaz asked for Mayor Armstrong's resignation. Mayor Armstrong refused to resign.

TYLER SCHADE ON SPONSORSHIP OF SOUTHEASTERN HUNTING, FISHING AND TAXIDERMY BOOTH.

Mr. Schade was not in attendance.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON SLOAN PROPERTY DONATION.

Mayor Armstrong told the council John Sloan would like to donate some property to the city. The property is land locked and is located at the east end of Oak Street. The council felt the land had no value to the City at this time.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON HOLIDAY PAY FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES.

Mayor Armstrong explained because we have paid our librarian holiday pay and she works over 19.5 hours per week, we are now liable for retirement pay. The council needs more time to do research; this item will be rolled to the next agenda.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.

Council Member Mascaro moved to go into a closed session for land and legal issues. 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 Officer Boyer had a new baby.

City Recorder Skerl reported that PEHP will be giving the City a holiday payment of \$104,756.

Council Member Mascaro reported the Museum will be doing an upgrade on the small doorways for handicap access. Council Member Mascaro also thanked everyone for their help on the light parade.

Council Member Bradley reported Morgantown has agreed to the new power rate.

Mayor Armstrong reported Franson Engineering is stilling working on the infrastructure CIB grant and still fighting to get the MAGI lowered.

There being no further business Council Member Harwood moved to adjourn. Council Member Mascaro 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, January 5, 2012.

Dean Armstrong
Mayor

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on February 2, 2012

