

MINUTES OF A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JANUARY 20, 2022 AT THE HYRUM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 60 WEST MAIN, HYRUM, UTAH.

CONVENED: 6:30 P.M.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Stephanie Miller

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Steve Adams, Jared L. Clawson, Paul James, Vicky McCombs, and Craig L. Rasmussen.

CALL TO ORDER: There being five members present and five members representing a quorum, Mayor Miller called the meeting to order.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Administrator Ron Salvesen, and three citizens. City Recorder Stephanie Fricke recorded the minutes.

WELCOME: Mayor Miller welcomed everyone in attendance and invited audience participation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Adams

INVOCATION: Councilmember Clawson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of a regular meeting on January 6, 2022 were approved as written.

ACTION Councilmember James made a motion to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on January 6, 2022 as written. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, James, McCombs, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

AGENDA ADOPTION: A copy of the notice and agenda for this meeting was emailed to The Herald Journal, posted on the Utah Public Notice Website and Hyrum City's Website, provided to each member of the governing body, and posted at the City Offices more than forty-eight hours before meeting time.

ACTION Councilmember Rasmussen made a motion to approve the agenda for a regular scheduled meeting on January 20, 2022 as amended by omitting item 9.D. Discussion on Diversity. Councilmember Clawson seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, James, McCombs, and

Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT
9. OTHER BUSINESS
 - A. Consideration and appointment to the Hyrum Museum Board.
 - B. Consideration and appointments to the Hyrum Planning Commission.
 - C. Discussion on COVID-19 funds for Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements.
 - ~~D. Discussion on Diversity.~~
 - E. Discussion on Elite Hall.
 - F. Budget Report.
 - G. Mayor and City Council reports.
10. ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Miller said if a citizen has a question or would like to make a comment to please keep it under three minutes.

There being no public comment, Mayor Miller moved to the next agenda item.

OTHER BUSINESS:

CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT TO THE HYRUM MUSEUM BOARD.

ACTION Councilmember Rasmussen made a motion to appoint Kim Faulkner to the Hyrum Museum Board. Councilmember James second the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, James, McCombs, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE HYRUM PLANNING COMMISSION.

ACTION Councilmember Clawson made a motion to appoint Dixie Schwartz as an alternate member to the Hyrum Planning Commission; to reappoint Blake Foster to the Hyrum Planning Commission; and to appoint Paul Willardson as a full member of the Planning Commission rather than an alternate member. Councilmember Rasmussen seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, James, McCombs, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION ON COVID-19 FUNDS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS.

City Administrator Ron Salvesen said Hyrum City received COVID 19 funds for infrastructure improvements from the Corona Virus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Hyrum City is going to use those funds for much needed improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

DISCUSSION ON ELITE HALL.

Mayor Miller said Hyrum City is in the process of applying for RAPZ Tax funds for the coming fiscal year and at the last City Council Meeting the City Council discussed whether the funding should be used for restoration to the Elite Hall. There was concern expressed by members of the Council regarding the extent of the improvements, if any, to the Elite Hall the City Council wanted to commit too. She asked each Council Member to respond individually about their opinion on whether an annex should be built; the exterior be resurfaced; some of the interior redone and the exterior resurfaced; or just leave it in the current condition. Also what types of uses do they want to see in the Elite Hall.

Councilmember James said Smithfield City has an old church that is used for youth basketball and everytime he goes there it is being used. He would like the Elite Hall to have the basketball hoops put back in and so it can be aesthetically pleasing it can even be the ones that come down from the ceiling like church houses. The Elite Hall has been used for basketball practices since before he was a child and he thinks the building should be used in all practical ways including pickleball. Since the City has allowed pickleball, walking, and exercise classes in the building it's the most that building has been used. He wouldn't be in favor of spending funds to restore the floor of the Elite Hall without basketball and pickleball court lines. He doesn't see a need for an annex at this time. The building should be used by the community rather than making it only a dance hall. It should be open for the youth to come in and play basketball and to utilize the building. He does agree that the outside needs to be restored.

Councilmember Clawson said he agrees with Councilmember James. The outside of the Elite Hall needs to be restored and then let the citizens use the Elite Hall for basketball, private functions, dances, exercise classes, walking, etc. He is not sure at this time if the Elite Hall will ever be used as a dance hall again and before the City puts millions of dollars into the complete

restoration he would like to do small improvements and then see if the building has a higher utilization.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the Elite Hall Restoration Committee conducted a community survey and the number one use for the building was family reunions and parties; number 2 wedding receptions; and number 3 dances. There have been 15 to 20 people every evening and morning that participate in the exercise classes. The Elite Hall has many people who walk in the building everyday. The Elite Hall is being used more than it has in the past few years. The Elite Hall is a historic building that should be restored and managed correctly. There would be higher use of the building if the annex was built because there would be a kitchen on the main floor and the restrooms would be redone. The Elite Hall floor needs to be restored and will probably need a new wood top on the floor. The Restoration Committee has worked on getting donations for restoration of the building but it is very difficult to ask for donations when the City itself hasn't been willing to put in the funds necessary to make big improvements.

Councilmember McCombs said she would like the exterior of the Elite Hall redone but as for right now she doesn't think additional funding should be put into the Elite Hall. She can see a much higher need for an indoor facility that could be used for soccer, lacrosse, walking, etc. People have great memories of the Elite Hall but she doesn't believe the majority of the citizens would want the City to spend the type of funds to restore the Elite Hall when it could use that money to provide an indoor sports facility. The City needs to invest in the youth and not in a rental of a building for wedding receptions or dances once or twice a year. She would like the Elite Hall to continue to allow the current uses along with basketball since that's what it was historically used for too.

Mayor Miller said after listening to the City Council's discussion tonight she will authorize City staff to apply for RAPZ tax funding to restore the outside of the building and for the inside to continue to be used as it currently has been ~~along with bringing basketball back into the Elite Hall.~~

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BUDGET REPORT.

City Administrator Ron Salvesen reviewed the 2021-2002 operating budgets and utility funds in detail.

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MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.

Mayor Miller said the Bear River Health Department is looking at a location in Hyrum for a south end of the valley location. This clinic would provide vaccinations and other types of services. The Health Department is interested in the property the City owns south of Salt Hollow Park.

Councilmember McCombs said the new COVID Testing company at the East Park parking lot is a great company to work with and they are providing a great service to the community.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the Museum's attendance numbers have been steadily increasing since it has resumed in person attendance. The number of virtual attendees has stayed high also. The Smithsonian H2O Display in the Museum is almost over and encouraged the Council to go see it if they haven't already. He asked if the City's Master Transportation Plan has been reviewed and ready to be brought to the City Council. It is imperative to have the Master Transportation Plan in place before it approves any more development or annexation.

Councilmember Clawson said February is Library Amnesty Month for late fees at the Hyrum Library. Hyrum Library's Summer Reading Program Kick Off Party is scheduled for June 6.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION

There being no further business before the City Council, the Council Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Stephanie Miller
Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Fricke
City Recorder

Approved: February 3, 2022
As Amended