

MINUTES OF A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17, 2024  
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 Clawson, Michael Nelson, and Craig L. Rasmussen.

**EXCUSED:** Councilmember James

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Engineer Matt Holmes, Library Director Emily Coltrin, Power Superintendent Larry Coleman, and eleven citizens. Deputy Recorder Hailey Brown recorded the minutes.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Miller

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Nelson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of a regular meeting on October 3, 2024 were approved as amended.

**ACTION**

Councilmember Clawson made a motion to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on October 3, 2024 with the change on Resolution 24-38 that Councilmember Nelson voted aye and Councilmember Rasmussen voted nay. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, 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 Adams made a motion to approve the agenda for October 17, 2024 as written. Councilmember Nelson seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.**

## 9. SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:

- A. Brikon Friedli - To request a Home Occupation Business License at 144 South 200 West for mechanic work.
- B. Gary Ferrin, Wapiti Bluff Estates HOA President - To request the dissolution of Wapiti Bluff Estates Homeowners Association.
- C. Bart Miller - To discuss extending and connecting to Hyrum City's power lines outside city limits at 1300 West 6500 South.

## 10. INTRODUCTION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

## 11. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Discussion on Hyrum Library Nonresident User Fees.
- B. Consideration and award of bid for the remodel of City Offices and Public Works Building.
- C. Consideration and appointment of Hyrum City Youth Council Advisor.
- D. Budget Report.
- E. Mayor and City Council reports.
- F. Closed Session - To discuss the purchase, exchange, sale, or lease of real property (Utah Code 52-4-205).
- G. Consideration and approval of purchase of real property.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

***PUBLIC COMMENT:***

Mayor Miller asked if a citizen had a question or comment to please keep it under three minutes.

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

***SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS:*****BRIKON FRIEDLI - TO REQUEST A HOME OCCUPATION BUSINESS LICENSE AT 144 SOUTH 200 WEST FOR MECHANIC WORK.**

Brikon Friedli is starting this business at his parents' house to help with any kind of small mechanic work ranging from weedwhackers to razors. There is a small shop out back already

that he will be working out of.

Councilmember Clawson asked how many small vehicles are anticipated at a time.

Brikon Friedli said his parents are currently adding an expansion to their other shop so the bigger vehicles will go there and if he receives too many vehicles at a time, he will have to turn down customers.

**ACTION Councilmember Clawson made a motion to approve a Home Occupation Business License for Brikon Friedli at 144 South 200 West for mechanical work. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.**

**GARY FERRIN, WAPITI BLUFF ESTATES HOA PRESIDENT - TO REQUEST THE DISSOLUTION OF WAPITI BLUFF ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.**

Gary Ferrin wanted to thank the city for allowing him time tonight to share thoughts from the HOA. Residents living in the community have asked about dissolution of an HOA. The proposal he wanted to discuss is if the city would consider receiving as a gift the areas highlighted in yellow which include the recreation lot, rv lot, and the roads marked as common areas.

Councilmember Clawson asked how many people use the rv lot.

Gary Ferrin said there is about ten residents who use the lot but there are other storage alternatives. Use of that lot is included in the HOA fees. One ambiguity they found but don't understand is that the roads are marked as common areas which seems as the HOA doesn't own the roads, but they are responsible for upkeep of the roads.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the roads, park, and rv parking are noted as common areas but that the HOA has ownership of the roads themselves.

Mayor Miller said a big challenge is that there is one water meter for the whole subdivision, and it would be a huge expense to put a meter to each home.

Councilmember Rasmussen believes the HOA pays the water bill and then distributes the cost to the residents.

Gary Ferrin said the HOA has a reserve fund that could be used if the meter costs matched what was in their account. Currently there are three HOA members because nobody will step up to help when there used to be ten members. They all have full time jobs and don't have that time for the HOA responsibilities. Sadly, because it is a low to middle income area many residents are dual income families to make ends meet. The six years Gary has been on the board there has been three disclosures. The HOA knows they need to replace fences, but HOA fees are too low to cover those expenses.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the forty-five dollars a month for HOA fees won't even cover the water bill.

Gary Ferrin believes each owner pays a water bill to the city every month.

Councilmember Nelson asked if there are bylaws that the state engages with an HOA, and if it were to be dissolved would it have to be done within the state level.

Gary Ferrin said based on his understanding the HOA is an association, like an LLC, within the state. The association is dissolved with the state but can't be filed until they have resolved those specific properties.

Councilmember Clawson said he is concerned with the PUDS. There are certain things for those developments that allow for smaller lots that isn't up to city code.

Gary Ferrin said the developer has said that in the future the HOA could be dissolved.

Councilmember Clawson asked if the city decided to move forward, what would be the cost to put a water meter on each home.

Zoning Administrator Matt Holmes said roughly four thousand dollars per home.

Councilmember Rasmussen said there is ambiguity with where the water lines are and having to dig up the streets.

Gary Ferrin said there aren't lots of useful records on the water lines. They had a reserves study done but are not viable for the cost without bankruptcy.

Mayor Miller said the city is already helping by plowing the streets.

Councilmember Nelson asked when Hyrum is doing property taxes are they collected from these homes with them being an HOA.

Mayor Miller said yes, they are collected.

Councilmember Rasmussen doesn't know if the city has an interest for the park in the center as there isn't much access for it to be a public park. He wouldn't be interested in taking over and acquiring the properties.

Gary Ferrin asked if there is a possibility to create access points in order to create additional homes in the area.

Councilmember Nelson said smaller lots were created to make things cheaper and the open space is a shared area for everyone to have a bit more space. If the open space was taken that was a requirement needed for smaller lots.

Councilmember Rasmussen said there were about twenty-one vehicles in the RV area, and it seems pretty utilized. What would residents do with those vehicles during winter parking and the roads being plowed. Setbacks to those homes are much less and if sidewalks were built out setbacks would be less than standards. Is there something that can be done as medium ground from a full dissolution and possibly use the reserves to upgrade roads. Craig would like to find out from utility billing on the meter situation. If water is being paid to the HOA, the city has no recourse to shut water off.

Gary Ferrin said they are paying the city somehow for water.

Councilmember Clawson said the the water lines would be private.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if he could get the CCNR's.

Councilmember Clawson said he would like the city to look into a few things. He is apprehensive of dissolving the PUD because it will open the city up for others that have been formed. There are also parking issues to be resolved.

Gary Ferrin understood the weight on the city with dissolution.

Councilmember Clawson also would like to find out if the water lines are privately owned.

Mayor Miller said if the Council would like to get some answers, the city will do some research on these items and bring back to the next meeting on November 7th.

Councilmember Clawson also asked to get info on the roads.

Gary Ferrin said the roads were sealed a few years ago and Top Job Asphalt came in to do road work. The HOA board members do not receive a cent for their time. He would like that community to thrive and is open to other alternatives.

Councilmember Rasmussen said like Councilmember Clawson said it is not an isolated situation. This was one of the first for Hyrum and there are things that the city has learned since then. This is a problem throughout the country with older PUD's. Rasmussen would like to confirm with Roads Superintendent Kade Maughan if the streets are private and if so, class B funds shouldn't be received for these streets.

Gary Ferrin said if they can't get where this is feasible, are there grants that can help improve the area. The community doesn't have resources to take care of all that needs taken care of.

Councilmember Nelson asked if there are there engineering drawings that show the water lines. How long ago was Wapiti Loop built?

Gary Ferrin said he believes it was developed in 1997. He will get a reserve study done and can share those the financials with the city if needed. The HOA will need two-thirds of their members to approve of any changes.

Councilmember Rasmussen said Wapiti Loop phase four was built in 2000 and phase one was built in 1997.

This item will be researched and can be brought to a later meeting.

**BART MILLER - TO DISCUSS EXTENDING AND CONNECTING TO HYRUM CITY'S POWER LINES OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS AT 1300 WEST 6500 SOUTH.**

Bart Miller would like to thank Mayor Miller and the City

Council for their time. He gave a brief background of history on his request. His parents were the first to develop on the South side of Hyrum Dam. This property has been in his family for a long time and is important to keep in the family. His mother has had several offers and asked Bart to purchase the property to keep it in the family. They started a flower farm on the property in which they grow peonies. They have a cooler that the flowers go in once they are picked to keep the condition. He is requesting to have power run to the property. The family that built above this property have given Bart an easement. Hyrum City Power had given Bart a cost for the service to be run. Ten days ago, Bart received information from Hyrum City that there are no more connections allowed to that area. Bart is hoping for an exception to this as he has already received a cost invoice from the city and has a contractor set up to do the work.

Councilmember Clawson said once services were provided to other landowners on the other side of the reservoir, they have held the city hostage as being able to expand. They feel they don't need to annex in because they have what they want, and the city can't take their power service away. That is most likely the reason the statement was made for no further expansion.

Mayor Miller said when the development to the South of this was built out, there was no way for Rocky Mountain Power to provide power service at that time as it would be too expensive. They told Hyrum City if the city put it in that they would take it over. There was no signed agreement, and they haven't taken the services back over.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if they could get a generator.

Bart Miller said they have a generator which isn't very efficient, is noisy, cost a lot of money, and not great for the environment. There is a well and he won't need waste services.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if Bart could get a large diameter commercial extension instead of an easement. Running a cooler for several weeks should not be a huge cost. Hyrum City has brought in generators to the city as the city hasn't had enough power. Hyrum City would not get

revenue if a cooler was run for six weeks a year. If a house were ever built on the lot that would be taking power from someone inside the city. Others in the area that wanted to connect have also been told no.

Councilmember Adams asked if Hyrum City is providing power to all lots shown in green. Adams question is that the city has already made an exception to the existing lots and Bart Miller is willing to pay the bill to get the service. Bart was also already told this could happen until recently and has everything set to go with the contractors.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the power line is not designed to keep extending as there is no looping or networking. Hyrum Dam will be down for maintenance for four years. If the city must do maintenance on the lines, they will have to go down Meridian Road and around to get there. If Hyrum City keeps allowing connections with not enough power to that line, Hyrum City is in trouble for not providing enough power.

Councilmember Nelson has heard that when this area originally developed, Hyrum City didn't know when the first person added on and then people kept adding on.

Councilmember Rasmussen said he doesn't think that is a true assessment. When the first residence went in the city made a conscientious decision to run the power across the dam with the understanding that Rocky Mountain Power would service that eventually. Hyrum City has no other utilities going across the dam.

Councilmember Nelson said thanks for clarifying the things he misunderstood. Nelson said that citizens in Hyrum pay city taxes to maintain infrastructure as new lines, transformers and substations are needed. Those that live outside city limits aren't paying taxes.

Councilmember Rasmussen said Hyrum Cities electric utility stands on its own. The city must raise electric rates rather than transfer from the general fund.

Councilmember Clawson said there are probably several other buildable lots available around there. Are they grandfathered into power service?



Councilmember Rasmussen said the lots that have been developed are all that was approved.

Mayor Miller asked if there was an agreement with the development further to the South.

Councilmember Rasmussen said those homes are connected but he doesn't recall that coming to the City Council.

Mayor Miller said there are people looking at developing further South.

Councilmember Clawson said the city can't expand further South.

Mayor Miller said it is hard because there is not a way to get public utilities there.

Councilmember Clawson said the reservoir would have to be annexed in to have a pathway.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the Bureau has stripped a property below the dam that the city would have to come through as its not directly on the dam. When the transportation master plan is done, there are properties above the reservoir where a bridge could be put across to have roadways. That won't happen until significant amounts of property there are annexed into the city.

Mayor Miller asked if it is possible to approve a hookup for what he needs and to specify there is no building unless Rocky Mountain takes over the service.

Councilmember Adams asked if the city could make an agreement for this to be the final connection with no others able to connect.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the city has already done this and turned away multiple other requests.

Councilmember Clawson asked if Rocky Mountain is bringing the line from West of Lennis's.

Mayor Miller said yes that is coming from the West direction.

Councilmember Clawson asked if the Council is going to give Bart Miller a hookup with conditions or deny it.

Bart Miller said he would be happy to sign an agreement.

Councilmember Clawson asked how big of a cooler Bart runs.

Bart Miller said it's about 26x12 feet.

Councilmember Clawson asked how big of generator Bart needs to run the coolers.

Bart Miller said he has two generators. Last summer they both went out and the product was then ruined.

Mayor Miller asked what Hyrum Power quoted the cost to run the power service.

Bart Miller said it was about \$25,000 for the city and \$50,000 total with the contractor.

Councilmember Clawson asked if Bart would need a separate transformer.

Power Superintendent Larry Coleman said a single-phase transformer is out six to eight weeks and would be sufficient.

Councilmember Clawson said he doesn't see Rocky Mountain Power purchasing the line.

Mayor Miller said the Rocky Mountain Power representative the city had worked with was also a recent employee that worked at the city for a short time. He saw the challenges and was going to try pushing it forward.

Councilmember Rasmussen understands Bart only wants enough power to service his cooler, but if the property sold someone will buy the lot and want power and it will be hard to keep to the agreement. If another connection is allowed after telling others no, or the city says no more connections after a certain road there is a lot of property in the line of service.

Mayor Miller asked if the cooler could be moved closer to the property giving Bart the right of way and purchasing

power from them.

Bart Miller said he couldn't get an easement from the owner above.

Mayor Miller asked how long he has been using the property for this.

Bart Miller said it takes three years for peonies to mature but he has been adding to it each year.

Councilmember Nelson said it seems the line has been drawn multiple times and he doesn't agree to make an exception.

Councilmember Nelson would recommend denying the request and see what other options can be given.

**ACTION Councilmember Nelson made a motion to deny Bart Miller - To extend and connect to Hyrum City's power lines outside city limits at 1300 West 6500 South. Councilmember Rasmussen seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.**

Bart Miller asked what other options he had.

Councilmember Clawson said besides using generators the city doesn't have any further options as there has been a line drawn on further connections.

Mayor Miller said there is always a possibility in the future that Rocky Mountain Power will purchase the line.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if Bart has looked at a solar generator.

Bart Miller said the neighbor thought when the project with the spillway started that easements would be taken by Rocky Mountain Power.

Councilmember Clawson said he could see if the Bureau would approach Rocky Mountain Power to see if they could take the line over to help with the spillway project.

**INTRODUCTION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:**

***OTHER BUSINESS*****DISCUSSION ON HYRUM LIBRARY NONRESIDENT USER FEES.**

Mayor Miller said the library was asked to look into the fees and asked if the City Council had any questions.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said the document shows that Hyrum is currently charging Nibley and Wellsville forty-four dollars a year per active user. Those that live in the County are charged forty-one dollars a year per active user. The reason for the difference is the County user fee increases every five years which is set to increase July 1, 2025. This will increase everyone to forty-five dollars a year. Hyrum users right now are being charged one-hundred and ninety-nine dollars per active card which is significantly higher.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked with the charges for Nibley and Wellsville if those cities pay the full amount, so cardholders aren't paying for it.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said Nibley and Wellsville are billed every year, and the fees are paid by the cities. There is an agreement from 2018 stating to increase fees by a dollar per year. The County users pay their own fees.

Councilmember Clawson asked if Emily has discussed the proposed rates with Nibley.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said she has not, as they always question her numbers. Renters don't pay utilities to Nibley City, so Nibley doesn't track those users as cardholders. Their biggest concern last year was Nibley only issued seventy building permits and Hyrum had them listed for over one-hundred new users. Wellsville City always just pays the invoiced amount.

Councilmember Rasmussen said between Nibley, Wellsville, and the County the total is about \$74,000 which is 17% of library budget. If Hyrum City stopped issuing cards outside of Hyrum City, it would decrease the library budget by 17%.

Library Director Emily Coltrin doesn't want the library budget to decrease as it would put a burden on book prices, purchasing eBooks, and programs.

Councilmember Rasmussen said with the 17% being paid by other entities this allows the library to have those programs. If it is said that those outside users are getting same benefit as Hyrum City and the users go away, then it would decrease the budget. Hyrum City has a great building and staff, and he recognizes the cost. The city is willing to put two-hundred dollars per user into the library and its not reflective of other users. Rasmussen doesn't think all users have the same library benefit to be charged the same fees.

Mayor Miller said Hyrum residents pay through property tax and the city knows that some of the fees come from elsewhere as Hyrum City doesn't charge enough property tax to cover general services. Hyrum has just over three-thousand households.

Councilmember Nelson is a library card holder but doesn't see anywhere on his taxes it shows that cost. He asked if Emily was taking the number of 1,816 cardholders in Hyrum and dividing 361 by that number.

Mayor Miller said that brings Hyrum City's active user cost to one-hundred and three dollars.

Councilmember Nelson said there are some users that are being charged for a library they don't use.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said the fees based on population would be the easiest charge for staff.

Councilmember Nelson asked what other cities are charging for user fees.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said Newton charges three dollars per user and Logan City charges one-hundred sixty-three per user. Smithfield City just increased theirs to fifty dollars for a family card and they give stipulations on how many books can be checked out.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if there are expiration dates on the accounts.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said the system generates an expiration date and library staff calls to let users know of the expiration.

Mayor Miller said July 1, 2025 these rates will all raise to

forty-five dollars.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the City Council suggested to review the fees about how to better utilize services. Rasmussen doesn't think Hyrum City has the same service going to Nibley and Wellsville. It is not a problem to have those cities pay a bit more than they are now. Rasmussens suggestion is if Nibley or Wellsville start saying they only want to pay fifty-thousand dollars a year then the cardholders outside of Hyrum City could then pay the difference in cost per year.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said if Nibley or Wellsville doesn't agree with the increase, the residents would pay the library directly.

Councilmember Clawson asked if it would be more comfortable to charge a cost per card.

Mayor Miller said taking Nibley from forty dollars to one-hundred and two dollars would be a lot.

Councilmember Rasmussen said instead of looking at population maybe charge it as a household.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said the library issues family cards and if people want additional cards, it is only for overdrive online books. Emily thinks charge per household would be great.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if there are board representatives for Nibley and Wellsville.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said yes.

Councilmember Nelson liked the idea of sharing Hyrum Cities concerns with Nibley and Wellsville and then come back to see what could be worked out.

Councilmember Rasmussen thinks the library discussion has been beneficial, and the library is a beneficial service to have for Hyrum and surrounding communities. He believes there could be some increase but would disagree to all paying same price.

Councilmembers Adams asked at what point does Hyrum grow enough for the library to be only for Hyrum City.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said if services were ended with Nibley and Wellsville, it would open more opportunities for grants. The library service area is twenty-two thousand and on the edge of being a bigger library than a rural library. The problem with Wellsville being the most South city, their only other option is the Mendon library where they get nothing compared to what Hyrum offers. The County library in Providence also gives them nothing.

Councilmember Nelson said if rates are raised, and the cities don't want to pay it then people could opt in and pay the fees.

Councilmember Clawson asked with Nibley and Wellsville do the users rollover or do they have to show they used it.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said after three years of no use the patron becomes inactive and then after five years the account is deleted.

Councilmember Nelson asked if Nibley City gives Hyrum City a lump sum rather than paying each time a new user comes in.

Library Director Emily Coltrin said starting in January Hyrum library prints user categories from Nibley and goes through every account to be sure they are charging correct.

Councilmember Clawson liked the idea of paying a flat fee per household.

Councilmember Rasmussen said if fees were paid per household, it may encourage more people to use the library.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Miller moved to the next agenda item.

**CONSIDERATION AND AWARD OF BID FOR THE REMODEL OF CITY OFFICES AND PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING.**

Mayor Miller said the low bid was Mike Funk Construction at \$341,800 with a completion date of first to middle of February.

**ACTION Councilmember Nelson made a motion to approve consideration and award of bid for the remodel of City Offices and Public Work building to Mike Funk Construction for \$341,800. Councilmember Clawson seconded the motion and**

Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF HYRUM CITY YOUTH COUNCIL ADVISOR.**

Mayor Miller is recommending the City Council to consider appointment of Melissa Bunce for the Youth Council Advisor if her background check comes back good.

**ACTION** Councilmember Clawson made a motion to approve consideration and appointment of the Hyrum City Youth Council advisor for Melissa Bunce with the condition that her background check comes back good. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

**BUDGET REPORT.**

Mayor Miller said the budget is at 25% of last fiscal year. Hyrum City pays Cache County twice a year so that is why they will be at 50%.

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.**

Mayor Miller said the city is ready to move forward with interviews for the Parks Department Assistant and City Planner/Zoning Administrator positions. She asked who would be willing to serve on the interview committees. The parks interview she is looking to hold on Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> or Friday October 25<sup>th</sup>. What time would work for the committee with each interview being about twenty minutes each.

Councilmember Adams said he would not be available that date.

Councilmember Nelson asked how many candidates there are for the parks position.

Mayor Miller said there are five candidates.

Councilmember Clawson said he could help between ten am and five pm.

Councilmember Rasmussen said he would rather be on the committee for the City Planner/Zoning Administrator but could be available for the parks if needed.



Councilmember Nelson asked if there is a date set for the City Planner/Zoning Administrator interviews.

Mayor Miller said she is potentially looking at Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Clawson asked how many applicants there are for the City Planner/Zoning Administrator.

Mayor Miller said there are three qualified applicants.

Councilmember Rasmussen said that date will work for him.

Councilmember Nelson said he could help in the afternoon.

Mayor Miller asked all Councilmembers to please complete the Open Meeting Act training and let City Recorder Stephanie Fricke know once complete. City Treasurer Todd Perkins needs to know for the audit.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked if the City Planner/Zoning Administrator interviews would be about forty-five minutes each.

Mayor Miller said yes that would be enough time.

Councilmember Adams said the flashing stop signs at the intersection near his house seem to be working as he has not seen a car run the intersection. He had someone ask on solar policies if the city does not allow for batteries.

Power Superintendent Larry Coleman said currently no but the city is working on refining standards to allow for them. Batteries are better now as they used to put stuff in them that the city didn't want with the power system.

Councilmember Rasmussen said the Museum was closed last week for the Museum Association Conference. Museum Director Jami Van Huss and her assistant Courtney Cochley have been involved in the planning. Museum board member Steve Downs said it was an excellent conference. The Museum is not everybody's thing, but they provide cultural grounding for communities. Hyrum Historic Preservation Commission meeting was cancelled, but the founding family books are in demand and selling well. The oral history project received grant funding and has completed three groups of people to share findings. The historic home tours were full and

is looking forward to October 26th at 1 p.m. to do the cemetery trick or treat. CLG grant was not used for the Elite Hall front entry but was used for the floor upgrades. Starting in October they can apply for the next grant funding cycle to apply for funds for the entry way. Hipco is sponsoring a dance at the Elite Hall with use of the new floor. The transportation master plan RFP should be available for review by the next meeting. Nolan Allen has contacted Rasmussen and wants to decorate a tree for the Christmas celebration to have the city raffle it off. Lincoln Elementary wants to decorate three trees and place them somewhere in the city to have up for season. Rasmussen thought UDOT was not allowing the city to put banners across Main Street.

Mayor Miller said the banners and Christmas lights across Main Street is not an issue and has been resolved.

Councilmember Rasmussen said he is trying to get a banner made to go across Main Street or on the East Park fence to advertise the Christmas Celebration. Rasmussen sent Curtis Knight an email about his application and isn't sure if there was follow up. He believes it was appropriate to deny for certain reasons but thinks they should be able to make some improvements. Rasmussen asked if Zoning Administrator Matt Holmes has talked to the homeowners on 300 North and 600 East.

Zoning Administrator Matt Holmes said he spoke with them about moving trees in a forty-foot triangle and possibly moving other trees.

Councilmember Rasmussen said he got an email about city sponsored broadband internet and has had several citizens ask him why Hyrum City doesn't have fiber. The city would have to register to apply for funding to weed out applicants then put in a more complete funding application.

Mayor Miller said a fiberoptic rep met with the city regarding putting that service in Avon.

Zoning Administrator Matt Holmes said as they take it to Avon/Paradise, Hyrum City could do a trunk line through Hyrum and build off that line.

Councilmember Nelson asked if Rasmussen could forward that email to all Councilmembers.

Councilmember Rasmussen said he will forward that email if someone wants to follow up on it.

Councilmember Nelson said where he lives by the South Stake Center they have no internet service. BARC Ham Radio Club has been looking at grants to help cities purchase radios which fell through. Hyrum City radios are old and don't meet County standards, so Nelson is looking to find additional funds. The CERT classes are going well each week.

Councilmember Clawson said he got email from Matt Nelson on the property by sunset fields. The deceleration lane covers the entire front of the next parcel except a tiny bit. Clawson would not be opposed to having them extend the piping along there to cover their portion, but it is only about ten to fifteen feet to be extended. Clawson isn't sure if it is worth it as they would have to pour a wing on the back side.

Zoning Administrator Matt Holmes said the city could do an in-lieu fee on that of what it would cost in the future when the next property develops rather than doing a fifteen-foot job.

**CLOSED SESSION - TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY (UTAH CODE 52-4-205).**

Mayor Miller called for a motion to adjourn into a closed session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss purchase, exchange, sale or lease of real property at the Hyrum City Council Chambers at 60 West Main, Hyrum, Utah.

**ACTION**

**Councilmember Clawson made a motion at 8:30 p.m. to adjourn into a Closed Session to discuss the purchase, exchange, sale or lease of real property. The Closed Session will be held here at the Hyrum City Council Chambers at 60 West Main, Hyrum, Utah. Councilmember Rasmussen seconded the motion and Councilmember Adams voted aye, Clawson voted aye, Nelson voted aye, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.**

Time was taken to allow the radio station staff to remove broadcasting equipment from City Council Chambers and then at 8:42 p.m. the City Council Chamber doors were closed to the public.

*Once in Closed Session the following needs to be said:*

This Closed Session is to discuss the purchase, exchange, sale or lease of real property and was held on October 17, 2024 at 8:43 p.m. in the Hyrum City Council Chambers at 60 West Main, Hyrum, Utah.

Those present in the closed session were: Mayor Miller, Councilmember Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen (Absent from the meeting Councilmember James), and Deputy City Recorder Hailey Brown. The Closed Session was digitally recorded on "Closed Session - To Discuss the purchase, exchange, sale or lease of real property 10/17/2024".

At 8:52 pm the Council Chamber doors were reopened to the public.

**ACTION** Councilmember Clawson made a motion at 8:52 p.m. to end the Closed Session of the meeting and return to an Open Meeting. Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams voted aye, Clawson voted aye, Nelson voted aye, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY.**

**ACTION** Councilmember Adams made a motion to deny the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property. Councilmember Nelson seconded the motion and Councilmembers Adams, Clawson, Nelson, and Rasmussen voted aye. The motion passed.

***ADJOURNMENT:***

**ACTION** There being no further business before the City Council, the Council Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Miller  
Mayor

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Stephanie Fricke  
City Recorder

Approved: November 7, 2024  
As Written