

## Council Retreat

The Beaver City Council held a retreat on November 9 & 10, 2016 at the Canyon Breeze Golf Course Clubhouse to discuss the following items:

### **Wednesday - November 9, 2016 12:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

Those present were Mayor Craig Wright, Council Members Connie Fails, Robins Bradshaw, Chad McWilliams, Tyler Schena, and Matt Robinson. Also present were City Manager Jason Brown and City Recorder Anona Yardley.

#### **Policy & Procedures**

- **Council Rules and Procedures** – Added Rule 10 and 11 setting the minutes of discussion items by presenters and comments in public hearings.
- **Employee Policy & Procedure** – This will be changed with the recommendations of Legal Counsel. The procedures must be brought up to state standards.

#### **Beaver City Vision- Vision Statement**

The Council discussed the current vision statement for Beaver City. After much discussion and brainstorming, they identified four key points that needed to be added to the current mission statement. Their recommendation for the mission statement is “To promote responsible growth and economic development while maintaining a small town country atmosphere, high moral values, a positive lifestyle, and a clean and attractive community.” This statement will be officially adopted in the December Council Meeting.

#### **City Code/General Plan**

As the City Code and General Plan were discussed, it was determined that the City Attorney should review the codes and follow his recommendations. A template for the general plan should be looked for with help from the League of Cities and Towns. The Council also recommended sending the members of Planning Board to official training throughout the year.

**Roads-** The issue with roads is finding the money for maintaining and building them. Options were discussed and all discussion ended for lack of funding sources for a renovation of 600 North and 600 East.

**Power Plant #3-** Dave Lund, Electrical Engineer and a team from Beaver City are working on the preliminary specifications for this project. Manager Brown would like all entities to meet and discuss the project as a team.

**Downtown rehabilitation** – Grant options for restoration of the downtown area were discussed. Some possible improvements would be sidewalk renovation and murals. Also 600 North and 600 East renovation.

**Opera House and City Properties** – The City Buildings were discussed and the maintenance costs were evaluated. The future plans for the Opera House and Swimming Pool were discussed.

**Airport** - The Council would like to see the airport hangers as a place for storage of airplanes instead of household items. Lease agreements for airport land will be considered in 2017.

**Recreation Department** – This department of Beaver City was discussed at length. The purpose of the recreation department is to provide wholesome family recreation programs for all. Suggestions of having fewer programs with a higher quality of service were proposed.

**Land Use** – When discussing the challenges with land use in Beaver City, the following issues were identified: Infrastructure for new building lots, availability of affordable building lots, road dedications, new subdivisions and water availability. The Simple Subdivision Ordinance planning and language in the code is very important for future growth. These topics will be discussed with the Planning and Zoning Board in their future meetings.

**Power Base Rate** – Manager Brown has contacted the communities similar to Beaver City in size and structure to compare power rates. Fillmore has a \$15 base minimum with 9.5 /kw. Parowan has a \$17.92 base minimum with a rate of .93/kw. The Commercial Rate is \$.10/kw The larger the pull on the power the higher the price. A 500kva service is \$82.95 for their base rate. Monroe was too small to compare.

**Health Insurance Rates and Plans** – Treasurer Barton presented the health insurance options that are available for Beaver City employees in the 2017 year. There were 3 options. All the options were discussed with the Health Savings Account and the City’s contribution amount. The Council would like to see the plan with the higher deductible for the employees.

**Football Field Parking during football season** – Manager Brown presented the Council with some ideas for fixing the parking problem on 100 East next to the football field. There is enough room for 52 parking spaces around the football field. The City could close the road at noon before a game. There could be a lottery system for the parking spaces. The Council would like to get public comment on this matter before making a decision. Several options were discussed of how to determine who parks in those spaces. This will be done before the next football season.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with a return time for the morning set for 8:00.

### **Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

The Council resumed their retreat on Thursday morning at 8:00. Those present were Mayor Craig Wright, Council Members Matt Robinson, Tyler Schena, Chad McWilliams, and Connie Fails. Council Member Bradshaw was excused. Also present were City Manager Jason Brown and City Recorder Anona Yardley.

### **Roads/Streets/Safe Sidewalks**

The Council reviewed their priorities for road maintenance and reconstruction projects. They reviewed the costs for these projects. Their priority list follows:

1. Elem School – Crack Seal, Chip Seal, Paint Stripes – Stripe Painting Cost Approximately \$7,500
2. Road by Flying J - Cost \$150,000 for the first road. The sub-grade is bad. It needs to be reconstructed because of the heavy traffic. There will be two cores done to identify the sub-grade layers. 500' of concrete and/or asphalt replacement would be needed for this project.
3. 600 North Project - This project will be over a million dollars.
4. McDonalds - The street and curb and gutter were discussed with the related costs.

Funding solutions were discussed in detail. The City will contact Jones & DeMille to see if they can help with finding funding for these projects. Beaver City will need to determine what they are going to do to make funds available in the General Fund for their portion of the expenses. Road Base is being secured at present. All the roads in the city will be categorized as to the priority and timing on the maintenance. The asphalt at the Golf Course needs to be replaced also.

### **Canyon Breeze Golf Course Advertising**

Advertising ideas at the golf course were discussed. The following ideas were concluded:

1. Advertise as the hardest 9-hole golf course in the State of Utah.
2. Put Jr. Golf packages in the back pack for the baseball tournament coming in the summer.
3. Have a radio campaign for the golf course.
4. Put current pictures on the website – Clubhouse and Course.
5. Get out of the heat during the summer to come to the little course in Beaver.
6. Deer Hunt Tournament - Have it at mid-day and wear deer hunter orange.
7. Billboard on South advertise our golf course. Stay and Play for \$11.
8. Hole in One prizes. Find sponsors and advertise for them for providing the prizes.

### **Law Enforcement Tax**

The law enforcement tax that has currently been discussed and reviewed was discussed again. It was determined that discussion would take place with the County Sheriff to determine the future for law enforcement in Beaver County before moving on this issue.

### **Business License**

The fees for business licensing were discussed. A \$50 yearly business license was discussed as well as a \$100 fee for inspections. These fees will be reviewed at a later date for a decision.

### **Economic Development**

**Lease of City Property** – A precedence has been set in the city for leasing city property. This rate needs to be addressed with each individual piece of ground and its use.

**Vacation Rentals** – This is an issue that other cities have been dealing with. There are some issues with being in a residential area. The noise ordinance and parking are only a few of the concerns with these type of rentals. The questions was are daily leases to be allowed or should they be for a longer period of time. The Planning and Zoning Board will need to address this issue and submit their recommendations to the Council.

**City Events** - Council Member McWilliams presented some ideas for events the Beaver City could market. Some of these ideas were as follows:

1. A Triathlon - It is a race with swimming, biking, and running
2. Street Festival – Complete with Balloon Rally, Concert on the park, with business sales and promotions. Could be in conjunction with other events to create an event where people from other towns will come to stay and have a good experience.
3. Easter Egg Hunt, Santa Parade, July 4th - These events are community events that are currently being funded by Beaver City.

**Hospital Signage**

Manager Brown reminded the council that Council Member Bradshaw brought up the importance of putting up signs to identify the location of the hospital. This is a must for everyone's safety. These signs are currently in place.

**Water Diversion Site Visit** - The Council decided to adjourn from the golf course clubhouse and reconvene at the water diversion project site to look at the progress of this project.

The retreat adjourned at 12:25 p.m. after the visit to the construction site. The next meeting will be a special meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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