

The Beaver City Council opened the **work session** at **3:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center on **February 10, 2015.** The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Craig Wright, Council Members Connie Fails, Chris Smith, Gary Brown, Tyler Schena, and Matt Robinson. City Manager Brent Blackner and City Recorder Anona Yardley were also present.

Water Project Report – Jones & DeMille Engineering

Manager Blackner reported on the well project. The hole was drilled to approximately 670 feet. The test hole had plenty of water. Water will continue coming from the test hole into a settling pond until Friday. Grimshaw's will let the well settle before pumping will begin. Samples will be taken on a regular basis to test the quality of the water. This well's main function is to support the demands from the Headhouse well and the water tanks. It will also feed into the North Creek Water tank as needed. The well will give the city the ability to furnish water to citizens as the Northern boundaries expand. Discussion on the future growth of Beaver City and subdivisions were discussed.

Mid-Year Budget and Finances

Manager Blackner and Council Member Brown discussed their concerns with the mid-year FY2015 budget. Taxes are estimated to decrease because of economic losses with ALCO. This will affect the general fund and the lack of snow pack will affect the hydro generation through the year. The water will be going back into power plant #1 next week. City building permits are down also. There was a suggestion of using the library money to help pay the bond for the library. There was discussion on the costs of providing transmission services on Gillies Hill.

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **5:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center on Tuesday, **February 10, 2015.** The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Craig Wright, Council Members Chris Smith, Connie Fails, Tyler Schena, Gary Brown, and Matt Robinson. Also present were City Manager Brent Blackner and City Recorder Anona Yardley. Boy Scouts from the Beaver Utah Stake were attending the meeting working on their Citizenship Merit Badge.

The Opening Ceremony of an invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and thought were conducted by Recorder Yardley and Boy Scout troops from the Beaver Utah Stake.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Fails moved and Council Member Smith seconded to approve the **January 27, 2105 minutes** with clarification on the hospital audit. All voted in favor. None opposed.

BILLS APPROVAL

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council. Council Member Brown moved and Council Member Fails seconded to approve the proposed bills for **February 10, 2015.** All voted in favor. None Opposed.

Declaration of conflicts of interest, abstentions, or personal interests on any matter on the agenda. There were no conflicts of interests voiced at this time.

Public Comment

Mayor Wright opened the meeting for public comment giving the audience of boy scouts and leaders the opportunity to address the council and ask questions.

Edna Howard asked for clarification on the power plant house that had been discussed. The

power plant house at the Upper Telluride Plant has been remodeled and refurbished for the power plant operators. The operator needs to be watching the power plant at all times of the night and day. It is advantageous for the security of the plant to have an operator close in case of emergencies. The Telluride Plant got its name from Telluride, Colorado.

Luke Bradshaw asked about one of the biggest issues the city is concerned about today. Mayor Wright answered the questions discussing the effect sales tax has on the workings of the city. As stewards of the public's money, finances should always be a concern.

Ben Howard asked what the city will be doing with the ALCO Building. Mayor Wright explained that the building is privately owned and the city has no say in what happens to the building. Beaver City is actively trying to recruit businesses in to our community. Economic Development is researching and trying to recruit business into our community.

Brittan Smith asked about the Children's Justice Center. Council Member Robinson addressed the question explaining that the center is a place of refuge in a crisis situation for children. It will be used by the entire county and is a much needed facility for this area.

The council thanked the scouts for their questions and comments. They were encouraged to attend council meetings any time in the future.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT REPORTS

Landon Whitbeck – Opera House Theatre

Landon finished his project in 2011. He painted the Opera House stage walls and floor. He replaced the lights and glued some carpet down. He lost all his pictures because when the sym card in the cell phone went bad. Manager Blackner signed off on the project and the council thanked him for his efforts in keeping the Opera House Theatre in good repair.

Jacob Jones – Design a memorial plaque for the civic arts with all the years, plays, and directors that have taken place in Beaver.

Jacob would like to hang the plaque in the foyer of the Opera House. There are 72 names of plays that he has accumulated to present. He would like a plaque commemorating Nell Smith, one of the founders of the Beaver Civic Arts Organization. The Civic Arts are willing to pay for this project. The total cost of the project is approximately \$700. Council Member Smith suggested that the City participate for a 50/50 cost split. Council Member Robinson moved that contingent on the larger plaque contribute up to \$400 in conjunction with the Beaver Civic Arts. Council Member Schena seconded. All voted in favor. None opposed.

Taylor Macdonald – Painting Lines on 100 West

Taylor showed the council before and after pictures of the parking stripes painted in front of the BHS Vocational Building. His project has increased the parking capacity and safety in this area. The council thanked Taylor for his project.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COUNCIL REPORTS

Manager Blackner:

Golf Course Clubhouse – The roof is being installed and the wiring and rough plumbing should be in this week. There will be a new roof on the patio because it will not interlock to the new clubhouse roof. The city electricians have saved enough money to be able to replace the covering on the patio and stay within the allotted budget. Completion date should be the middle of March. The donated labor and materials are now being brought in.

Veterans Memorial- There are new LED lights on the memorial and flag. Manager Blackner reminded the young citizens in the audience that the memorial is a sacred place that needs to be treated with respect.

Cemetery - Trees at the cemetery have been ground out and sod will be placed in the location where there hasn't been grass for many years.

Parks – LED Lights have also been installed on many of the city parks.

Roads – The crack seal is being done by McDonalds and the elementary school.

PI Pond Repairs – Penstock at the PI Pond is very old and not in good shape. The vault is full of sand and the gate to control the sand is old. Over the years the pond has filled with sand and mud. The slusch gate needs to be fixed. There is 16.7' to the bottom of the vault. The fix will be to put a valve in the 16" pipe so it will bypass the rotten gate. The sand will be able to be washed out at the valve. Hydro Plant #1 can't get water to it until the valve is repaired.

Ball Parks – Red Dirt is being brought in for the ball fields.

Beaver AA Group – This group is temporarily meeting in members homes until other arrangements can be made. Mayor Wright is working with the county on a permanent location for meetings.

Calendar - Feb 23, Water Hearing at 10:00 a.m. – ULCT, April 8-10 in St. George - Beaver City Clean Up, May 4 & 5

Council Member Robinson:

SU Baseball – SU Baseball has bid to do the Beaver Bash. Beaver City will provide and maintain the fields and SU Baseball will do the rest.

Council Member Smith:

Water Project – Council Member Smith asked Manager Blackner if he would update the audience of scouts on the drilling of the well. Manager Blackner showed the audience pictures of the drilling of the well and explained them.

Ball park lights – The plans for the light pole bases have been done and the school district is helping with the finances.

Council Member Fails:

Library – The council librarians had training in Minersville. It was a great training and it was suggested that all the boards in the county have this training.

Youth Council – Council Member Fails met with Principal Green and Mr. White today about the council for next year. She will meet with the Juniors and Sophomores next week to explain the new by laws. Legislative Day is a very important activity for the group. The school marquee, Veterans Day Program, Easter Egg Hunt and the 4th of July, and service projects for city and school could be some of the activities for next year's youth council.

Veterans Memorial – The pavers are being engraved.

Beautification – There are many projects that can be done to make the city beautiful that don't cost money. Volunteers are needed to clean up Main Street.

Council Member Brown:

Local Officials Day – Thanks to Evan Vickers and Justin Harding, Governor's Chief of Staff, for providing a great day for the Beaver Delegation.

Finances – Council Member Brown expressed his thanks to Manager Blackner and staff for their expertise working on the budget. The city can work together on being frugal for the rest of the year and the budget should be in good shape.

Council Member Schena:

Roads – Council Member Schena asked about the possibility of purchasing a crack seal machine and sharing it with the county. This issue has been discussed in the past and the county wasn't on board with purchasing this type of equipment.

Beaver County Inmate Crew – It was suggested that the prison inmate crew be used to help with

the Beaver Bash and Spring Fling to clean and maintain the fields, empty trash and do general clean up like they do at the county fair.

Swimming Pool – The pool is open and busy. The patrons are especially happy the pool is open during the winter. He would like to see a special rate for families to use the pool on Monday Nights.

Airport – The Airport Committee will have a meeting on Tuesday.

Mayor Wright:

Public Safety – Beaver County Dispatch has moved to their center in the Sheriff’s office. The camera systems for the city and school district will be on screens within this center.

Meetings – Mayor Wright expressed his thanks to all the council members for great discussions and work during the meeting. He would like to devote the work meeting on February 24 to intergovernmental issues.

Local Emergency Planning Committee – Mayor Wright appointed Council Member Robinson as his back up for attending these meetings.

Council Member Smith moved and Council Member Schena seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The council meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. The next Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
CRAIG WRIGHT
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
ANONA YARDLEY
CITY RECORDER