

The Beaver City Council met in a Retreat – Work Meeting at **12:00 p.m.** at the Canyon Breeze Golf Course Clubhouse located at 375 North Hwy 153 on **Monday, January 6, 2020**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Alison Webb, Tyler Schena, Robin Bradshaw, Hal Murdock, and newly elected member Lance Cox. Also present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Recorder Anona Yardley and friends and family of Lance Cox and Hal Murdock.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE – LANCE COX**

Recorder Yardley administered the oath of office to newly elected council members Lance Cox, Tyler Schena, and Hal Murdock. Lunch was served and pictures taken.

#### **OPENING – MAYOR ROBINSON**

Mayor Robinson welcomed all to the meeting. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Robinson read a story about initiative. He issued a challenge to the council and staff to be leaders and to see what needs to be done and do it. Be a “scooper” so Beaver City will be a better place to be.

#### **COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

After discussion on the current schedule, it was determined that the regular council meetings would stay on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays and begin at 6:00 p.m. The work meeting would be held in the second meeting of the month and not in the first.

#### **COUNCIL TOOLS, ELECTRONICS, LOGO WEAR**

Council Members Cox and Schena will need some kind of tablet for Council meetings. Mayor Robinson also needed to upgrade his electronic device. The Council have been budgeted \$50/year for logo wear; shirts, jackets, hats, etc.

#### **COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS**

Mayor Robinson reviewed the current assignments for himself and each member of the council. Council Members reviewed the changes. They were discussed and some changes were changed because of prior appointments and positions. There was a question about the positions on the Beaver County Fire District Board, if it is required to have a County Commissioner and a Beaver City Council Member to remain on that board.

#### **CITY EVENTS**

The Council decided that the events Beaver City would sponsor were the Easter Egg Hunt, July 4<sup>th</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup> Fireworks, Veterans Day, the Santa Parade and visit, ATV Jamboree, Crusher in the Tushar, and the Beaver City Ball Tournaments. Assignments were made for each council member to be in charge of an event. The assignments were: 1. Council Member Schena – Christmas; 2. Council Members Bradshaw and Cox – July 4; 3. Council Member Webb – Easter Egg Hunt; 4. Council Member Murdock – Veterans Day Meal. There was a suggestion about having Halloween on Main Street for the entire community. Mayor Robinson will inquire of the local community churches about this suggestion.

#### **COUNCIL SEATING**

Seating in the Council Chambers was determined to be from the door side; Recorder Yardley, Council Member Cox, Council Member Murdock, Council Member Webb, Mayor Robinson, Council Member Schena, Council Member Bradshaw, Manager Brown, and City Attorney Wayment. Council Member Webb will act as Mayor Pro Temp.

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ROBERT PYLES**

Beaver County Economic Development and Administrative Supervisor. Robert Pyles, met with the City Council to explain some of the projects his office is working on and answer questions and concerns. One of the major projects that is being worked on is bringing **high speed internet to Beaver County**. Mr. Pyles would like to work with South Central Communications in

conjunction with Beaver County on a grant to bring this service to our county. South Central may not be able to work with Beaver County because of their workload before the grant runs out. Mr. Pyles will pursue other internet providers. There is federal money that is available for working at home. People must have the internet to apply for the grant.

The **Transient Room Tax** that Beaver County collects was discussed at length. Most of this money comes from motels on I-15 within Beaver City. The ATV Jamboree and the Crusher in the Tushar bring people to town to stay over night as do the two ball tournaments that are held in June. It would be good to find a reason for all these attendees to be able to stay an extra night in Beaver City.

**Growth in the Community** – Mr. Pyles has been looking for some good industries that will bring in some good paying, stable, jobs to locate in the Beaver City Industrial Park. Beaver County will be having their Economic Development Meeting on Jan. 16 at 9:00 a.m.

The Council thanked Mr. Pyles for coming to clarify and discuss economic development issues.

#### **Open Meeting Training – Justin Wayment**

Planning and Zoning members Owen Spencer, David Albrecht, Joe Yardley, Joe White and Library board members Linda Sorensen and Beverly Randall joined the Council for this training. This training is required by law yearly.

Government exists to conduct the public's business. Therefore, this business must be deliberated in an open meeting. The public has a right to hold the decision makers responsible. When decisions are made, the reasoning should be given to the public so they know why and how the decisions are made. When an individual is elected or appointed to a position in government, they are given the trust of the people.

The different types of meetings were discussed and defined. The minutes and their importance were also reviewed. Public comments can be limited in a meeting and the name of the individual with their request must be given for the record. Closed session procedures were reviewed and conflicts of interest were discussed at length.

In conclusion Thomas Jefferson reminded us that our actions define who we are. He taught three lessons. 1. Be proud of what you are doing and don't do it for the reward. Consider what it is like to be in the other persons shoes. 2. You will never please everyone. 3. Be educated. Get all the facts before you get to the meeting and know what you are talking about when you do speak.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR BEAVER CITY – Manager Brown**

Manager Brown discussed some of the financial issues that our financial consultants with Zion's Bank recommended. Beaver City's ability to bond is good in all funds. The last payment on the sewer bond will be in 2021. The December, 2019 financial statement will be reviewed in the January 14 meeting and the FY2019 financial audit will be presented in the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. The 40-year water study will also be reviewed in April. Recommendations for water rates will be given at this time by Matt Kennedy of RCAC's Environmental and Community Services. Zion's bank recommended that Beaver City increase its property taxes in the future.

#### **COUNCIL EXPECTATIONS**

Mayor Robinson asked each of the Council members for some final comments and/or recommendations.

**Council Member Bradshaw** – The State Water Engineer Briefs on the Rocky Ford/Kent's Lake lawsuit are due to the Utah Supreme Court tomorrow. He also requested that the Council Packets be distributed before the weekend. This would mean that all agenda items would need to be to Mayor Robinson by Friday noon.

**Mayor Robinson** – Mayor Robinson would like some kind of recognition for the Wright Family planned as soon as possible. He would also like the Council to review the Bylaws of Youth City Council. These are some items for discussion. There is a UAMPS training in Fillmore on Wednesday, January 22 at noon. He encouraged any Council member who wanted to come to do so. It would be a great way to understand UAMPS better.

**Council Member Murdock** – He expressed his concern about fixing the water line to the hydroelectric plants now, not later.

There being no further discussion or business, Council Member Bradshaw motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Center Council Chambers.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MATTHEW ROBINSON  
MAYOR**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ANONA S. YARDLEY  
CITY RECORDER**