

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **work session** at **6:00 p.m.** at the Beaver City Office located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, July 14, 2020**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Tyler Schena, Lance Cox, Robin Bradshaw, Alison Webb and Hal Murdock. Also present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder Anona Yardley. Librarian Angela Edwards was also present.

OPERA HOUSE VISIT

The Council met at the construction site of the Philo T. Farnsworth Opera House with the General Contractor for Tushar Contracting, Nate Robinson, to view the progress of the renovation. The carpet had been laid and most of the finish work was finished. The white stove in the kitchen was going to be traded for the stainless-steel stove in the County Fair building. The fire alarm system was being finished and the stage needed to be painted. The theatre seats will be here the end of August. The donor wall will need to be ready by September. An official opening of the building has not been planned.

RIGHT OF WAY DISCUSSION – DON ROBERTS

The city right of way on 300 East and 100 South is in question. There is a 99' right of way on 300 East until 300 South where it narrows along 300 South. Platt and Platt did a Street Intersection monument survey in 1982 and 1984 for Beaver City showing the center of the street intersections of the 99 foot right of way. Existing fence lines and/or buildings between 100 South and 300 South are narrower than 99 ft. Mr. Don Roberts would like to have a discussion with Beaver City about what options there would be on the east side of 300 East. Attorney Wayment advised Beaver City that they should think of the long-term ramification of abandoning rights of way. Streets don't line up correctly when rights of way are abandoned. This matter will be taken under consideration with more investigation.

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **7:05 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, June 14, 2020**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Tyler Schena, Lance Cox, Robin Bradshaw, Alison Webb, and Hal Murdock. Also present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Recorder Anona Yardley, and City Attorney Justin Wayment.

The opening was conducted by Council Member Bradshaw.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Webb motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to approve the minutes of **June 23 & 30, 2020** as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

BILLS APPROVAL

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council. Council Member Cox motioned and Council Member Bradshaw seconded to approve the proposed bills for **June 25, 30, & July 14, 2020** as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

None were voiced at this time.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT – JEREMY KERKSIEK

Eagle Scout Candidate, Jeremy Kerksiek, and his father, Jeff Kerksiek, met with the Council to present a project on the South I-15 Interchange area around the Beaver City sign to change the landscaping at this area. The cost, as presently planned, would be approximately \$6,500. This

includes grass and rock on the entire project. There is existing water in this area. Jeremy showed examples of the rock that he would like to use. It comes in different sizes. He would keep the sign mound as it is and put grass and rock below it. He would like to start the project next Tuesday. City crews can help by hauling dirt for fill. Jeremy will work with Manager Brown to complete his project. The parks capital improvement budget can be used for this project. The Council suggested using rock instead of grass because of the cost of maintenance. They would like to see trees planted in this area. The Council thanked Jeremy and Jeff for their time and expertise in making this area more eye appealing.

CJC UPDATE AND REQUEST FOR DONATION

Teresa Wood, Director of the Children's Justice Center, approached the Council with an update of how the fundraising money was used. Cookies were given to parents for Child Mental Health Week. The "Resilience Handbook" was distributed at the movie night activity. The Center is trying to be proactive on unseen abuse and child trafficking. Information about these concerns was included in the packet that council members received. A sample Code of Conduct form for adult coaches and leaders was also in the packet. Beaver County has had some of these cases this year. Last year's statistics of people helped in Beaver County was included in the packet. Marilee Eyre thanked the city for the improvements on the golf course. The bridges are great and the ditch is wonderful. She also thanked the golf course staff for treating the high school golf teams so well. Marianne White thanked the Mayor, Council and city employees for their support of the CJC. She asked that the City donate the green fees to the CJC during their golf tournament, Friday, August 7, 2020. The 2020 tournament is going to be held on a Friday but the board asked that next year's tournament be held on a Saturday. Council Members agreed that the green fees could be donated to the CJC as has been done in the past. Council Members thanked the CJC Board for all their efforts to help families and children in our community.

UAMPS REPORT – LES WILLIAMS

Since Feb. the board has virtual meetings. Business is progressing as it normally would. Deficit margins are being calculated in the approximate amount of \$61,000. Mr. Williams reviewed the UAMPS Projects for Beaver City.

Hunter – This is the best coal fired plants that we are involved with. The Hunter plant will be kept on line as long as possible. The federal government isn't really pushing the closing of coal plants like former presidencies. It is cheapest and most economical source of energy Beaver City has.

San Juan – This coal fired plant will be shutting down in 2022. Losing this plant should not hurt Beaver City too much because of the small amount of power purchased. The plant will possibly be sold and refurbished to produce power with other types of energy source. When and if that happens, Beaver City could possibly look into purchasing power with this plant again.

Horse Butte – This wind farm is located in Idaho Falls, ID. Beaver City has a very small portion of power that comes from this project.

Red Mesa – This solar project will come on line in 2022. Beaver City has 250 kw in this project. This power will replace the power lost from San Juan. However, it is not a base form of energy.

CFPP – This project is still progressing with some changes. Each module produces 60 MGW. There needs to be more entities that are interested in this project to reduce the cost and make it possible. The DOE is still the biggest player in this project. The DOE have put 1.4 billion into this project to date. Without their financial support, this project would not be possible. Other utilities have shown an interest after the DOE decided to support this project. The core drilling was 28 Million. The DOE covered this cost. The Jump Program will end shortly. We can lay off our portion with the Jump until we need it which means that another entity can use the power and pay for it. Beaver City's portion of

the CFPP is 2.2 MG. to 3 MG. The next couple of months are critical for Beaver City to decide whether they will stay in the project or get out. When the next phase starts, the dollar amount that Beaver City will be assessed will increase. At this time, if the decision is made to stay in the project, Beaver City will be part of the project until it is finished. \$130 Million will be the next assessed amount for this project. The off ramp will begin tomorrow and we will have 60 days to decide if we will stay as is, increase our portion, or drop the project. If we get out, we would be obligated to pay \$66,000 for our portion of the CFPP we committed. If this project doesn't go, we would need a better energy project. IPP will go to gas but will not produce the same amount of power. UAMPS is not working on any other projects for base power right now. They could do a natural gas plant as an alternative for base power if necessary. There are opportunities to learn more about this project on July 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There is a virtual explanation of the CFPP. Les needs to know if anyone is interested so he can register. Aug. 17 & 18 is UAMPS Annual Conference. It will be a virtual conference. A virtual tour of the NuScale Plant will be on July 29 from Corvallis, OR. Sept. 14 is the deadline for Beaver City's decision on the CFPP. The Council thanked Representative Williams and will discuss this matter further.

SPLASH PAD DISCUSSION

Keisha Orton addressed the council in behalf of the Splash Pad Committee consisting of: Jim Webb, Travis and Lorraine Hollingshead, Keisha & Brennen Orton, Burgundy Blomquist, Caitlin Williams, Ruby Nelson, Mariella Harris, Krisanne Fails, and Jessica Parks. Keisha educated the Council Members about Splash Pads: the benefits, funding, equipment, space needed, and maintenance. Travis Hollingshead, water engineer, addressed the amount of water used with and without a recirculation system. A recirculation system costs more but in the long run there will be less water used and more features can be available with a circulation system. There are timers and motion sensors that help to save water. Several locations were suggested for a Splash Pad in Beaver City. The amount of maintenance necessary was estimated at once a day to check chemical and water levels. Council Member Webb thanked the committee for their help. The Beaver County Travel Council will be approached about this project. Funding requests are due in September. Rick Funk from Splash Pad USA is the only manufacture of Splash Pads in Utah. They have quality equipment with a 30-Year quality warranty. They also allow purchasers to install their own if they choose. They offer a great value for any development. Their price will be 10 to 15% less than any other company. Mr. Funk will provide specifications for any splash pad design. Mayor Robinson expressed the need to have a good plan in place before the city could commit funds. Council Member Webb asked that the City pledge a certain amount so the committee could use this information to help others donate to the project. Mayor Robinson suggested that Beaver City match dollar for dollar whatever was brought in with donations. Council Member Schena motioned that Beaver City match dollar for dollar the money raised from donations up to \$50,000 over two fiscal years. Council Member Cox seconded the motion. All voted in favor. None opposed. Typically, a deposit is needed for engineering design and materials. The committee will have a plan ready to present to Beaver County for their request for funding. The Council Members thanked the committee for their time and effort with this project.

SPRING DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION – JONES & DEMILLE

Darin Robinson addressed the council about drought funding up to \$1 million from Rural Development ECWAG Funding. Tyler Faddis has been working with these grant applications. The State was optimistic about this project. We are working to get the environmental report with all the paper work. The forest service has been helping with the NEPA. The Headhouse Well is the next best water source next to springs. The project cost for this project are estimated at 1.4 million dollars with

the Headhouse Well added. With this project, the Beaver City crews will be doing some of the construction observations to help lessen the cost of the project. Beaver City would need to commit approximately \$40,000 if the Rural Development Grant funding is approved. The grant can't fund a project over \$1 million. Council Member Bradshaw motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to budget \$40,000 to the Beaver Canyon Spring Project contingent on the funding from Rural Development being approved. All voted in favor. None opposed. This project could be ready in early spring 2021 as soon as the snow melts. Jones and DeMille are under contract with the city to complete 60% of the design but haven't finished the environmental report for the USDA Forest Service.

Council Member Bradshaw motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to approve the contract design with Jones and DeMille and designate \$53,000 to finished the project design which can be reimbursed with project funds. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council and Mayor thanked Jones and DeMille for all their help with this project.

TRAVEL COUNCIL FUNDING REQUESTS DISCUSSION

Manager Brown will create a list of requests for the Travel Council. It can be reviewed at the next Council Meeting.

RIGHT OF WAY DISCUSSION

Tabled for more information.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Manager Brown:

Streets – There was 1.7 miles of chip seal applied to city streets last week. They will be sweeping chips off this week and flushing the first part of August. The Manderfield Road will be widened 4 feet for one mile from the Fountain Park to Tim Joseph's old home. UDOT completed the approach in front of the El Bambi and Arshel's Café.

Recreation – A Co-ed softball tournament is a possibility the last part of August or 1st part of September on Beaver City fields. This is not an advertised tournament.

South I-15 Billboard – The billboard contract is signed and is the mock-up of the billboard looks great.

See attached exhibit for other items happening in Beaver City. (Exhibit 7-14-2020)

Council Member Bradshaw:

Excused.

Council Member Schena:

Roads-100 East is a one-way street so the STOP sign on the South end of the street needs to be removed. There has been more signage added to this area to help remind drivers of the one-way designation. A STOP sign is needed on the intersection of 500 West 600 North. The STOP sign on the corner of 100 North and 200 East too far off the corner. It needs to be moved closer to the intersection.

Recreation and Ball Fields – A shed or some kind of equipment storage on east cement pad east of the batting cages in the DeArmitt fields is needed. It would cost approximately \$25,000 for the shed. Council Member Schena reminded the Council about the need for a field groomer and having help from the school district to purchase the groomer. Beaver City could pay 60%, softball 20% and 20% to baseball. There were many people from out of town that complimented Beaver City and their employees on how well the fields were done and how well everything was maintained. The artificial mounds are very nice. Blowers would be preferable to clear the fields from firework debris.

Cemetery – The birds are back roosting in the larger trees in the cemetery. Crews have been shooting shells at them and have also removed three other pine trees. There are six to eight pine trees that still

need to be removed. Two or three being removed each year should help all pine trees to be removed in a short period of time.

Council Member Webb:

CARES Act Grant – Nine businesses from Beaver have applied. Applications are due by tomorrow.

Opera House – Beaver City will be ordering some folding chairs and tables for use in the dining area.

Council Member Murdock:

Rodeo Secondary Arena – The additional lighting for the secondary arena will be installed tomorrow. Public donations have been solicited and Mikes Foodtown – Craig Wright will match the donations up to \$5,000.

Council Member Cox:

Children Justice Center – The committee has been meeting virtually.

Golf Course – The grounds are in great shape and the clubhouse is doing well. Patrons have expressed a desire to have French fries on the menu again.

Football Parking at BHS – This needs to be announced and advertised so everyone is aware of the changes.

Mayor Robinson:

Beaver County School District – Mayor Robinson met with the BCSD as they outlined and detailed students returning to school. He complimented the school district for their efforts with the COVID-19 pandemic. It has been easier for people to simply cancel everything rather than trying to make things work. The district is forging a pathway forward for the education of our children and doing a great job trying to get our children back in school.

Hospital – Administrators are moving forward on the remodel. The MRI machine is installed. There is a very good administrative team presently in the hospital.

CLOSED SESSION

The Council closed a portion of their meeting to hold a strategy session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Cox seconded the motion to move into a closed session for the above-mentioned reason. Council Members Cox, Murdock, Webb, Schena, and Bradshaw voted yea by roll call vote. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. The council moved into closed session at 10:00 p.m. They moved out at 10:25 p.m.

Council Member Cox motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. The next scheduled Council meeting will be held Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.



APPROVED: _____
MATTHEW ROBINSON
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
ANONA S. YARDLEY
CITY RECORDER

