

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **work session** at **6:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, October 12, 2021**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Alison Webb, Lance Cox, Hal Murdock, and Tyler Schena. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown and City Recorder Anona Yardley. Council Member Robin Bradshaw joined the meeting via telephone. Beaver County Economic Development Director, Robert Pyles, was also present.

### **BEAVER COUNTY SOUTHERN UTAH WATER UPDATE PRESENTATION**

Kyle Roerinck met with the council to explain about the Pine Valley Water Supply Project: A Beaver County Perspective. He reviewed the data that the USGS 2017 study modeled of the area of greatest impact, which included most of Beaver County. The Great Basin Water Network, which Mr. Roerinck represents, was born from other water organization models. As he reviewed the collected data from the US Geologic Survey and the cumulative collected data, it was his opinion that the impact to Beaver County in the first 62 years of drawing on the aquifer could be very significant. When more water is being pumped from the aquifer than is being put into it, the effect is water is drawn from further distances. The three water basins that are in our area flow toward the Great Salt Lake. Mr. Roerinck discussed the costs of moving water from the Wah Wah Valley to Iron County. The Iron County Aquifers are being drawn down over the equilibrium of replenishment. Robert Pyles, Beaver County Economic Development Director, explained that Beaver County wants all residents to be aware of the effects of drawing more water out of the aquifer than what is being replenished would have on our county residents. The county growth has been relatively static but if any industry moved in requiring water for itself or homes, the water would not be available if Iron County already had the rights to the water. Mayor Robinson stated that, in his opinion, this was an important issue in which Beaver City should to be informed. The Council thanked Mr. Roerinck for his knowledge and time.

### **BEAVER COUNTY HOUSING PROJECT**

Robert Pyles, Beaver County Economic Development Director and Max Anderson, Beaver Housing Authority Director, addressed the council about developing a piece of property that the county has by the County Road Shed on Manderfield Highway. Beaver County is looking at developing this property for a 20-unit town home project. It is not zoned for multi-housing but the rezoning could be addressed. This housing unit would be for new employees of new businesses, local government and other incoming employed residents that need affordable housing. There is state and federal money available for this kind of projects. This is the vision of Beaver County and the Beaver Housing Authority and Mr. Pyles ask that Beaver City jump on board with this project. Beaver County is willing to invest 90% of their ARPA money to help with this project. Mr. Pyles stated that “housing is important to Economic Development.” The contribution from the city could be in the waiver of fees and partnerships with applying for grants. The county does not want to be tied to any lending institution that would dictate the amount of rent that would be required. Mayor Robinson asked why Beaver County has an interest in competing in the private sector rather than incentivizing private investors to construct housing? Director Pyles explained that to date, no incentivizing investor had shown serious interest which is a current problem for economic growth because any new business will need housing in Beaver City. Director Anderson stated that zoning in Beaver City needs to be pro-active in their planning of housing in the community. He asked if there is an interest for Beaver City to work with Beaver County on this type of project? Mayor Robinson affirmed that Beaver City would be interested in working jointly with Beaver County and the housing authority. However, there would be some issues that Beaver City would need to discuss and work out before they could know

the level of commitment that they could offer.

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, October 12, 2021**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Alison Webb, Lance Cox, Hal Murdock, and Tyler Schena. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown and City Recorder Anona Yardley. Council Member Robin Bradshaw joined the meeting via telephone.

The opening prayer, pledge, and thought were offered by Recorder Yardley.

### **CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED**

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Webb seconded to approve the minutes of **September 28, 2021** as presented.

All voted in favor. None opposed.

### **BILLS APPROVAL**

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council. Council Member Bradshaw motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to approve the proposed bills for **October 7, 2021** as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

There were no conflicts stated at this time.

### **BEAVER COUNTY LIVESTOCK YOUTH APPRECIATION**

Brinlee Marshall, BHS FFA President, addressed the council. She explained that in 2021 there were 84 participants in the Southwest Livestock Show with over 100 animals. For the help from Beaver City, these participants picked up trash around the hospital and Ernie's Truck Stop as well as by the "Y" Park. The Council thanked the livestock show participants in the room, which equaled more than 20, for their hard work and service to the community. They left chips and salsa with the council and pictures were taken.

### **HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – BILL PHELPS**

Information was unavailable. It is tabled for the next meeting.

### **JOHN & PENNY POLL SUBDIVISION CONSIDERATION**

Mr. Poll addressed the Council by introducing himself and his family. His mother, Penny, was also in the meeting. They are from the Salt Lake area, but live in Las Vegas, and have friends and family that have lived in Beaver. Penny has a master's degree in reading. They would like to make Beaver their home as soon as their children are able to move schools. They have been looking for some land for quite a long time. The want to live next to his parents that would like to build a home on the 2.5 acres that is the proposed division from the larger piece of land which John owns. The Planning and Zoning have recommended this property division to the City Council. There is an existing acre foot of water on the property which John's parents would need for their home. John requested that the use of the water right be kept with the property until they decided to build their home and then he would try to buy an acre foot of water for his home at that time. They have already extended the water line and sewer line to the furthest extents of their property line. They would like to move forward with the division so his parents could get started on building their home. Beaver City's subdivision ordinance requires that each subdivision have water on each piece of property. The council decided to follow the ordinance and require the 1-acre foot of water before the subdivision would be approved. John's

parents could still move forward with building their home but the subdivision could not take place until another acre foot of water could be secured.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Manager Brown:**

**CDBG 600 East and 300 North Road Project-** This project is nearly finished. Parking stalls will be painted in front of the pool to the end of block and angle parking will be striped in front of the Opera House and the historic courthouse. The road in front of the Paradise Inn was also reconstructed as part of another city project not funded by CDBG.

**Council Meeting hours** – The next council meeting is scheduled to be held on October 26 because of scheduling conflicts. Council Members will consider changing the meeting time for the next meeting.

**Beaver Canyon Surge Tank for Plant #4** – The first coat of primer has been applied. Three hundred seventy (370) feet of penstock has been replaced. The project should be finished next week depending on the weather.

**Golf Course** – The course will close Saturday, October 16, 2021. The new golf carts have arrived and are very nice.

### **Council Member Bradshaw:**

**Main Street Beautification** – Council Member Bradshaw presented the idea of having fall/harvest decorations on Main Street. People, families, organizations could decorate a pole. They could put up and take down the decorations. Midsummer next year, 2022, Beaver City could advertise the decorating idea of decorating the light poles or putting fall decorations on Main Street. Manager Brown will reach out to other communities to see how they move forward with decorating their Main Streets.

### **Council Member Schena:**

**Zoning** – Council Member Schena had been approached with questions about nonconforming uses in Commercial Zones. Businesses in residential zones need to go to the Planning and Zoning Board for a conditional use if the zone does not allow what they need.

**Youth City Council** – The Youth City Council have been asked and notified that their service is needed at the Veterans Day lunch. They will be there to help.

### **Council Member Webb:**

**Trunk or Treat** – The flyer to advertise the Trunk or Treat event will be ready tomorrow.

**Veterans Day** – The 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be performing at the Veterans Day Lunch.

### **Council Member Murdock:**

**Rodeo grounds restrooms** - Kendrick Thomas from Jones & DeMille Engineering looked at the Rodeo Arena restrooms. Beaver City is trying to locate the existing septic tank.

**Library** – There have been some employee trainings at the library last week.

**Veterans Day Lunch** – Jennifer Rubio has agreed to cater the event.

### **Council Member Cox:**

**Airport** – Manager Brown and Council Member Cox met with the Beaver Municipal Airport Consultants, Jviation, last week. A 5-8 Year Capital Improvement Projects list was discussed. The FAA and Beaver City worked together to make this list. Beaver City would like to build an airplane hangar to rent or lease. This would help bring in some revenue to the airport. In 2022 the apron on the runway would be constructed. In 2023 could possibly be the hanger. The tea cup construction would be 2024. The Beaver City airport master plan needs to be updated. The existing master plan was revised in 2001. FAA grant money could be used to pay for utilities and wages. A new mower to mow around the airport of the weeds was suggested. New snow removal equipment is scheduled to be purchased in 2026. Brad, a retired FAA employee who is employed by Jviation, visited the airport

to determine some possible projects that could be funded if the Federal Infrastructure Bill goes into effect. Beaver City and Jviation meet with the FAA tomorrow to finalize the Airport Capital Improvement Projects.

**Mayor Robinson:**

**Economic Development, Big Chamber of Commerce** – The Southwest Technical Institute presented to Beaver County that they would like to start big chamber of commerce organizations in Beaver, Iron, Garfield Counties. The organization would help our local chambers and businesses to organize and get help with the benefits of working together as a business community. Mayor Robinson was in support of the Big Chamber. Each community would have equal representation. The funding for this organization would be \$10,000/year per county with a 5-year commitment. Monthly meetings would be rotated within the three participating counties and would include training, resources, grants, and peer to peer help. Mayor Robinson asked the council if Beaver City would be willing to kick in \$2,500 per year for a five-year commitment with an annual review by the council to help fund the chamber. The council agreed to provide \$2,500 per year for a five-year commitment with an annual review by the council. Mayor Robinson will let Beaver County know that Beaver City will help with \$2,500 per year for a five-year commitment with an annual review at budget time.

**600 North Road Project** – When this project is finished, he would like to have some kind of ribbon cutting and celebration. The timing for this project would be to begin construction after school is out in the spring. The design work would be done by December with construction beginning in March. Before April 1, 2022 the culvert on the Northwest ditch needs to be replaced. Extending the utilities across the ditch should be completed before school is out in the spring.

**City Christmas Party** – Mayor Robinson will be gone Dec 6 – 9. Monday, November 29, 2021 was set for an alternate date depending on the availability of the caterer.

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 8:55 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.



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

**MATTHEW ROBINSON  
MAYOR**

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

**ANONA S. YARDLEY  
CITY RECORDER**