

1The **Beaver City Council** met in a **work session** at **5:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, January 10, 2023**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Tyler Schena, Alison Webb, Hal Murdock, and Lance Cox. Council Member Owen Spencer was excused. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Recorder Anona Yardley, Jackie and Mark Whittlesey, Mary Wignall from the Beaver County Journal, Venadee Limb and Paula Fails, Beaver City Utility Billing Clerks.

STAFF INPUT ON CEMETERY ORDINANCE AND PROPOSED CHANGES

Mayor Robinson reminded the Council that the price of cemetery plots had recently been increased. The reason for this item to be on the agenda was to determine how to move forward with an expansion of the current Mountain View Cemetery. It is estimated that all the plots in the current cemetery will be sold within five to seven years. The next phase of the cemetery will be south into the Dick DeArmitt Baseball fields. The discussion is if the cemetery ordinance is changed at this point, will the life of the current cemetery be extended in order to allow sufficient time to replace the current DeArmitt Fields and create a new section of the cemetery. The question is how many plots should be sold at one time and under what circumstances. The policy should be friendly to our citizens and their needs. Paula Fails and Venadee Limb were present to give some feedback on this matter from the staff's point of view. Venadee suggested that the maximum number of plots to be purchased at one time be four. The Council considered this suggestion and suggested that plots be sold at time of a death. There would be a guaranteed plot for the deceased and a maximum of two more for the living. The intent of this change is to limit speculation on the sale of cemetery plots. At present, there is no limit of plots that can be sold and unused plots can be sold by the purchaser to anyone of their choosing. Currently, the plots do not come back to Beaver City. The ordinance would need to be amended to include the policy that all unused or unwanted plots would be sold to Beaver City at the price they were purchased for. Cemetery plots could still be transferred to another family member only with a transfer fee. Attorney Wayment and staff will work on this ordinance change and schedule the public hearing for one of the council meetings in February, 2023.

ATV JAMBOREE – CHRIS MORE

Chairman of the ATV Jamboree, Chris More, met with the council to make some requests of the city for the upcoming ATV Jamboree to be held May 16-20, 2023. The 2023 Jamboree will be limited to 300 participants to make the event more personal and inviting to all. The present facility is not sufficient for increased numbers. Chairman More reviewed the handout with the Council. The items included: 1. Reservation of the city center for those dates. 2. Events will be held in the multi-purpose room. 3. Requested \$3,000 to help offset the cost of the dinner on Friday. 4. During the week of the Jamboree, city employees need to park in front of the building. 5. The lawn needs to be mowed before May 15. 6. Power is needed and possibly the sound system for the event. 7. Sprinklers can be turned off during that week. Council members were invited to ride in one of the rides. Mayor Robinson thanked Chris for coming and wished them the best with this year's jamboree.

UAMPS UPDATE CFPP – LES WILLIAMS

UAMPS Representative Williams met with the Council to help them be aware of what is happening with the CFPP (Carbon Free Power Project). At present, this project is at failure status because there

is not enough subscription for the project to continue. UAMPS can walk away from the project or continue with a different purchase rate for power from this project. If the group of UAMPS participants want to continue with a different rate, there needs to be a way to move forward. There will be a 45-day window to drop out of the project if Beaver City elects to move in that direction. Mr. Williams recommended that Beaver City stay in the project. Next council meeting Mr. Williams will bring a contract allowing Beaver City to stay in the project. At present, Beaver City has had to forward purchase power from IPP until May, 2023. The other power purchased by Beaver City has come from the Pool at a higher rate. At this point, Beaver City is selling power at a lower price than purchasing. There is a regional UAMPS meeting on January 19, 2023 at 11:30 in Fillmore. At this meeting there will be a small group which will allow attending members to ask questions and discuss issues. Mr. Williams handed out some discussion points on the CFPP to prepare for the meeting. Council Members in the next two weeks should study the information and be ready to discuss future strategies for purchasing power, and, if needed, be ready to sign the resolution for the CFPP.

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **6:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, January 10, 2023**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Tyler Schena, Alison Webb, Hal Murdock, and Lance Cox. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder Anona Yardley. Public present were Jackie and Mark Whittlesey.

The opening prayer, pledge and thought were offered by Council Member Schena.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Murdock motioned and Council Member Webb seconded to approve the minutes of **December 5, 2022** 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 Webb seconded to approve the proposed bills for **December 14 & 20, 2022 and January 3, 2023** as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

No conflicts of interest were voiced at this time.

GROVE WATER BOND PARAMETERS RESOLUTION ADOPTION

Mayor Robinson read the following resolution: CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BEAVER CITY, UTAH, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT MORE THAN \$3,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023; AND ALL RELATED MATTERS. Marcus Keller, Beaver City Financial Adviser from Zions Bank,

joined the meeting via electronic means. He explained that Beaver City has received a grant of 50% match from the Division of Drinking Water with bonding and payment from water users. There is a buffer in the \$3,000,000 for problems with the project or bonding. The public hearing for the project bonding will be held on Feb. 14 during council meeting. There are many people that will be helping with the necessary noticing and the bonding. There were questions on the correct language for the mailer to all water users to notify them of the public hearing and possible rate increases. The bonding resolution will need to be approved tonight. Only people who are using the water now will be assessed now. Other land owners without connections will not be charged. Manager Brown gave an update of the project. The calendar for the project has been outlined by Zions Bank and the bonding attorneys. The anticipated time for construction to begin is in May, 2023. The projected project finish date is December, 2023. The escrow will be for 24 to 36 months. The majority of utility easements have been recorded already. There are some that are still needed. Beaver County's attorney is helping with the right of ways. Beaver County has some reconstruction projects with the Navajo Bridge and some roads that are ongoing. Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to approve Bonding Resolution 1-10-2023 for funding of the Grove Water Project. Council Members Schena, Cox, Webb and Murdock voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Spencer was excused. Motion passed with a majority vote.

CEMETERY SALE OF PLOTS MORATORIUM – CITY ATTORNEY WAYMENT

Attorney Wayment was asked to prepare an ordinance that states that no lots except for those who are deceased plus two be sold for three-month period of time. Attorney Wayment will have that document for the upcoming January 24 meeting.

CEMETERY ORDINANCE REVIEW

At present, anyone who wants to buy any amount of plots, can do so. Attorney Wayment will send Parowan City's cemetery ordinance that we can use to help change our cemetery ordinance. We would like to have this ordinance ready by March, 2022 so the moratorium can be removed.

TRUTH IN TAXATION DISCUSSION

Mayor Robinson and Manager Brown discussed the possibility of raising property taxes to residents inside the Beaver City limits in order to accommodate cemetery expansion. This amount is needed before the FY2024 budget is adopted. This item will be a topic on the agenda for the council retreat.

BEAVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT – ECONOMIC FOLLOW-UP

Superintendent Dave Long, Mr. Todd Burke, Mr. Russell Carter, and School Board Members Ken Ure, Tyler Fails, and Chris Blomquist introduced themselves. Superintendent Long presented logistics and statistics of the Beaver County School District. He also discussed the people impact, academic achievements and curriculum for each school in the district. Mr. Todd Burke covered the basics of how the public-school entities are run and the economics of the school district. Council members asked questions about the presentation and Mayor Robinson thanked Superintendent Long for bringing the presentation to educate the members of the council.

NOVEMBER, 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REVIEW

Treasurer Phelps presented the revenue and expense statement for November, 2022. The water fund has more expenses than revenues. The PI and Sewer funds are operating in the black. The electric fund is operating in the red with the airport and golf course. The general fund is also operating in the black.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Civic Arts Donation – The Beaver Civic Arts asked for two yearly swim passes for their silent auction connected to their Broadway and Center production. Council Member Webb motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to approve the request of the Beaver Civic Arts. All voted in favor. The motion passed with a majority vote with the absence of Council Member Spencer.

ATV Funding Request – The ATV Club for the ATV Jamboree request the use of the City Center and a donation of \$3,000 to offset the cost of the night catered meal for participants. Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to approve the request by the ATV Club to support the local ATV Jamboree in May. All voted in favor. The motion passed with a majority vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Murdock:

Hospital Reconstruction and Expansion - The water damage at the hospital which was part of sprinkler system malfunction is repaired and the project is moving forward.

Council Member Spencer:

Excused.

Council Member Webb:

BIG Chamber of Commerce - The BIG Chamber is putting together something for the Haight Family of Enoch. The BIG Chamber is offering a few trips in November for any businesses to make reservations. These trips are to further international contacts and business relationships that may enhance economics in this area. There will be no meeting in January, 2023. The Next meeting will be held in February, 2023.

Beaver County Drug Coalition – The Gingerbread House family togetherness event was a great success.

Dowdle Puzzle Project – Another draft picture is being done and will be presented shortly.

Beaver Civic Arts – There were 58 people who auditioned for Broadway and Center. There will need to be cuts or try to find room for all wishing to participate.

Council Member Cox:

No Report.

Council Member Schena:

Beaver County Walking Path - There have been motorized scooters and pedal bikes riding on the walking path. There are signs posted on the path prohibiting motorized vehicles. Something needs to be said and done before someone gets badly hurt. This is a safety issue.

Manager Brown:

No Report.

Mayor Robinson:

City Calendar - UAMPS Meeting in Fillmore Jan. 19, 2023. Council Retreat date changed to

January 31, 2023 at the golf course, 9:00 a.m. Annual Employee Training, Thursday Jan. 12, 2023 all day.

CLOSED SESSION: Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to move into closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Council Members Schena, Cox, Webb, and Schena voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Spencer was excused. Motion passed with a majority vote. The Council entered closed session for the above reason at 8:45 p.m. and moved out at 9:40 p.m.

CLOSED SESSIONS: Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Murdock seconded to move into closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Council Members Schena, Cox, Webb, and Murdock voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Spencer was excused. Motion passed with a majority vote. The Council moved into closed session at 9:43 p.m. and moved out at 9:59 p.m.

Council Member Schena motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held January 24, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVED: _____ **ATTEST:** _____
MATTHEW ROBINSON **ANONA S. YARDLEY**
MAYOR **CITY RECORDER**