

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **5:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Tuesday, May 28, 2024**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Randy Hunter, Lance Cox, Owen Spencer, Tyler Schena, and Alison Webb joined the meeting electronically. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder Patty Simard. Public present: Lisa Cox, Jen Wakeland, Anona Yardley, Jackie Whittlesey and Mark Whittlesey.

The opening prayer, pledge and thought was offered by City Recorder Patty Simard.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED:

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Schena motioned, and Council Member Spencer seconded to approve the minutes from **May 14, 2024**. All voted in favor. None opposed.

BILLS APPROVAL:

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council. Council Member Spencer motioned, and Council Member Hunter seconded to approve the proposed bills for **May 16, 2024**, as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT:

Council Member Cox disclosed that he may have a conflict with agenda item on the mental health presentation and donation request. No other conflicts of interest were voiced at this time.

DONATION REQUEST AND MENTAL HEALTH DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Lisa Cox, Beaver County School District Mental Health Specialist, gave council members a presentation on our local teacher's mental health. (Presentation attached) Mrs. Cox explained that she is concerned about our local teachers and would like the city and other community members to help our teachers feel supported. When asked for some thoughts on accomplishing this, Mrs. Cox indicated that if the city would be willing to donate a swim passes or golf passes to teachers, to encourage them to get outside and exercise. She explained that getting outside helps to increase endorphins and increases mental health. After a brief discussion, Mayor Robinson indicated that he would write a letter of appreciation to the teachers. City Council Member Schena made a motion to accept Mrs. Lisa Cox's recommendation to donate either an individual golf pass or a swim pass to teachers at Belknap Elementary and Beaver High School from July 1, 2024 thru July 1, 2025. Council Member Spencer seconded the motion. All voted in favor. None opposed.

APRIL 2024 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REVIEW

Treasurer Stacey Phelps presented the revenue and expense statement for April 2024. 83 % of the fiscal year has lapsed. The general fund, electric fund, water fund, sewer, and pressurized irrigation fund are operating in the black. The golf course and airport are currently operating in the red.

SEWER MASTER PLAN APPROVAL

City Manager Brown reviewed with council the Sewer Master Plan that was presented by Jones and DeMille Engineering. This master plan is needed to apply for the CIB Grant opportunity. Council Member Cox made a motion to accept the Sewer Master Plan. Council Member Spencer seconded the motion. All voted in favor. None opposed.

BEAVER BEAUTIFICATION GRANT DISCUSSION:

City Manager Brown reflected that in the past, Beaver City offered an up-to \$2000 materials only grant for beautification projects along Beaver Main Street and Center Street locations. Several businesses took advantage of this opportunity and he is wondering if council would like to incentivize this beautification grant again, and if so, we need to set a budget amount to be put into the budget for this coming year. Jen Wakeland, Beaver County Strategic Development Director, indicated that Beaver County's has had a county wide beautification incentive grant available and there has been a lot of applicants that have taken advantage of this program. Mrs. Wakeland reported that this grant opportunity is ending on May 31, 2024 and that in fiscal year 2025, the Rural County program will not be used to fund that project. Manager Brown will increase the budget to \$25000.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR CIB FUNDING FOR SEWER LAGOON INFRASTRUCTURE:

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Robinson welcomed all in attendance to the public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed sewer lagoon infrastructure and proposed funding request to CIB. Council Member Spencer motioned and Council Member Cox seconded to move into public hearing for the purpose of discussing the sewer lagoon infrastructure project and funding. Council Members Spencer, Cox, Webb and Hunter voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Schena was excused. The motion passed with a majority vote. The council entered public hearing at 6:01 p.m. Present: Mayor Robinson, Council Members Webb, Hunter, Spencer, and Cox; City Manager Jason Brown, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder, Patty Simard. Council Member Schena was excused. Anona Yardley, Jen Wakeland, Mark Whittlesey and Jackie Whittlesey.

Mayor Robinson opened the public hearing and welcomed those in attendance. The sewer infrastructure project was reviewed. The total estimated cost of funding this project is nine-million dollars. Increasing the sewer rates will be adjusted according to the type of funding that is secured. Beaver City will hold another public hearing when the information is available. With the improvements to the sewer lagoon infrastructure, Beaver City residents would have sufficient sewer infrastructure to cover projected growth for the next 20 years.

Mayor Robinson asked for any comments, questions, and/or concerns from the audience. Mrs. Anona Yardley requested that if we get this funding, that Beaver City needs to have a planned-out maintenance schedule, so that this infrastructure will last for the next 20 years. Mrs. Yardley also indicated that if this project is funded by CIB and DEQ they will require that the sewer fund have a capital improvement replacement fund. She recommended that when the new rates are being calculated that the additions to this fund be included in the fee increase so as not to cause a shortage

in the sewer fund cash flow. It was suggested that at least half the replacement cost be included in the restricted cash so the city won't need to bond so much for another project. The application will go to CIB before June 1, 2024 for the first trimester funding requests. The Department of Environmental Quality and the Community Impact Board will be evaluating Beaver City's application and making funding recommendations. It is anticipated the project would go to construction in 2025. There being no additional public comment, the Council moved out of public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

JULY 4, 2024, CELEBRATION EVENT DISCUSSION:

Mayor Robinson, reviewed with council the upcoming July 4th, event. City Manager Brown indicated that fireworks have been ordered and he inquired about what he and the city staff can help do. Council Member Spencer stated that he will check with EMS to see if they are willing to donate ice-pops again this year. Council Member Cox indicated that he will call and arrange for a trailer for the band to use. Mayor Robinson declared that he will check with Council Member Schena to help run the foam machine. Mayor Robinson also indicated that there will not be a bicycle parade. Mayor Robinson stated that he will check with those that donated other items in the past and confirm the band. Mayor Robinson stated that he will review the 4th of July flyer with city staff so that it can be circulated in the newspaper and on social media.

ORDINANCE SECTION 3 BUSINESS AND LICENSE REGULATION DISCUSSION:

City Council Members discussed Section three of the Beaver City Code. City Attorney Justin Wayment indicated that he has reviewed Beaver City's ordinance and it does not match the state code. He said he is starting to work on updating this information. He also indicated, he would like clarification on the direction and criteria that the city would like to take regarding home occupation permits. City Manager Brown reviewed planning and zoning criteria for conditional use permit for home businesses. Mr. Wayment reviewed with council, the current State of Utah law for allowing conditional use permit that was updated in 2021.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

City Attorney Wayment:

Justin reported that on August 1, 2024 he will be attending an in person hearing in Salt Lake City regarding Kents Lake and Rocky Ford.

Council Member Webb:

Alison wanted to make council aware that Ronda Hutchings from the Prevention Coalition was able to obtain a donation for \$24,000 for the tables and benches.

City Manager Brown:

Jason reviewed the agenda items for the upcoming public hearings for both city council and planning and zoning.

Council Member Cox:

Lance said he spoke with Paige at the race track. She reported that there was ten races and had a good turnout for attendance at the Memorial Day Horse Race. They were not able to get the old water truck working. It is still out at Anytime Towing. They were able to use the city's water truck for the event.

CLOSED SESSION:

Council Member Cox motioned, and Council Member Hunter seconded to move into closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Council Members Spencer, Cox, Webb and Hunter voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Schena was excused. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. The Council moved into closed session at 6:45 p.m. and moved out at 7:08 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION: Council Member Spencer motioned and Council Member Hunter seconded to move into closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Council Members Spencer, Cox, Webb, and Hunter voted yea by roll call vote. Council Member Schena excused. The motion passed with a majority vote. The Council entered closed session for the above reason at 7:09 p.m. and moved out at 7:12 p.m.

Council Member Spencer motioned, and Council Member Cox seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held June 11, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.



APPROVED: _____

**MATTHEW ROBINSON
MAYOR**

ATTEST: _____

**PATTY J. SIMARD
CITY RECORDER**