

The **Beaver City Council** met in a **regular session** at **4:00 p.m.** in the Beaver City Center located at 30 West 300 North on **Monday, October 14, 2024**. The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members, Randy Hunter, Alison Webb, Tyler Schena, Lance Cox, and Owen Spencer. Also, present were City Manager Jason Brown, Water Superintendent Bret Black, City Attorney Justin Wayment, and City Recorder Patty Simard. Public present: Carson DeMille, Loraine Hollingshead, Burgundy Blomquist, Amy Albrecht and Mark Whittlesey and Jackie Whittlesey.

The opening prayer, pledge and thought was offered by City Manager Brown.

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED:**

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Webb motioned, and Council Member Cox seconded to approve the minutes from **September 24, 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 **September 25, 2024, and October 7, 2024**, as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT:**

No conflicts were voiced at this time.

**SEWER LAGOON IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION:**

Carson DeMille from Jones & DeMille Engineering provided an update on the sewer lagoon project, addressing recent developments and necessary changes to the project's scope due to ongoing septic issues in the lagoons. He emphasized the need for aeration to introduce oxygen into the cells, which will require long-term maintenance but is essential at this stage to ensure compliance with Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) standards.

Carson congratulated Beaver City on receiving the 60% grant funding from the Community Impact Board (CIB) for the project. He proposed a new bidding approach called Contractor Design Assist and Construct (CDAC), which involves prequalifying contractors through a request for qualifications. This method allows selected contractors to submit preliminary cost proposals and identify potential cost-saving measures based on 60% complete project plans. By engaging contractors early, the CDAC process aims to reduce change orders and enhance overall project outcomes. Although this approach may extend the time required to procure a contractor, it is expected to yield higher-quality bids from qualified firms rather than simply selecting the lowest bid.

Carson outlined the project timeline, indicating that the geo-technical survey will take a couple of months, with design work slated to begin in December. Plans are expected to be finalized by January, followed by a request for qualifications and proposals in February. He estimated that construction could commence by early summer of 2025. The council members agreed to use the CDAC bidding

process.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE 10/09/2024:**

The public hearing scheduled for this meeting was postponed until the next council meeting due to the meeting coinciding with a holiday. The next council meeting, where the public hearing will be rescheduled, is set for October 28, 2024, at 5:15 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ELECTRICAL IMPACT FEE:**

The public hearing scheduled for this meeting was postponed to the next council meeting due to the meeting coinciding with a holiday. The next council meeting, where the public hearing will be rescheduled, is set for October 28, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 10/09/2024 MOVED TO 10/28/2024:**

This Agenda item has been moved to the next City Council Agenda, because of the rescheduled public hearing.

**ELECTRICAL IMPACT FEE DISCUSSION MOVED TO 10/28/2024:**

This Agenda item has been moved to the next City Council Agenda, because of the rescheduled public hearing.

**BEAVER CANYON MARATHON:**

Mrs. Loraine Hollingshead, Mrs. Burgundy Blomquist and Mrs. Amy Albrecht, members of the Beaver Canyon Marathon Committee, met with the City Council to announce that the next Canyon Marathon is scheduled for June 28, 2025. They requested permission to use the racetrack area for the finish line again. Additionally, the committee asked the Council to sign an indemnity clause to allow the use of Iron County School Buses for transporting race participants. City Manager Brown will review information with Utah Local Government Trust Insurance to ensure coverage for this arrangement.

**DONATION REQUEST FESTIVAL OF THE TREES:**

The council discussed the donation request received from Beaver County Festival of the Trees. It was determined that while the council is unable to donate cash directly to the organization, it can provide a type of sponsorship. Mayor Robinson asked for this to be put on the next agenda and that we reach out to the Beaver County Festival of the Tree Committee and put on the next agenda if needed.

**DISCUSSION OF BHS DONATIONS FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**

Council Members discussed various donation requests received throughout the year from BHS extracurricular activities. Initially, there was consideration of providing a lump sum payment to the school, allowing them to allocate the funds across different activities. However, Council Member Hunter expressed concerns about this approach, stating that it would be challenging for the school to distribute the funds fairly. He pointed out existing fundraising policies within the school district that

could complicate this process and suggested that a cash contribution might not be the most effective solution. Council Member Hunter emphasized the importance of the existing inter-agreement between the city and the school, which facilitates the sharing and use of each other's facilities. The Council decided against making direct financial contributions, opting instead to support the extracurricular activities through exchanges of facility usage, equipment, and labor. The City Attorney will review the school Memorandum of understanding.

### **COMMUNITY SPONSORED EVENTS DISCUSSION: TRUCK OR TREAT/VETERANS**

#### **DAY:**

City Recorder Patty Simard requested the inclusion of this agenda item regarding the upcoming city sponsored events. She reported that for the City Trunk or Treat event, the flyers have been printed and are awaiting distribution to the local businesses. In addition to being distributed, the flyers will also appear in the newspaper and be posted on Beaver City's Facebook page and website. The road closure permit for the event has been approved. Since it is Council Member Hunter first year of this assignment, he inquired where to post the flyers and if this event has been advertised at the elementary school in the past. Council Member Spencer provided details on where he had posted flyers in the past. Council Member Schena also noted that the Youth City Council would assist in gathering participant waiver forms to return to the city office.

Council Member Cox discussed his responsibilities for the Veterans Day Dinner, mentioning that he had reached out to Jen Rubio for catering, and she is working on the menu. He sought guidance on whom to contact regarding the rest of the program. Council Member Schena suggested hosting the dinner at the high school to allow veterans to enjoy their meal without feeling rushed after the assembly. The idea of having the veterans share a meal with the students at the high school was considered for next year's event. Council Member Cox will coordinate with Principal Fails, Mrs. Jensen, and Mr. Burke to finalize the program details.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**City Manager Brown:** Jason provided the City Council with an update on the proposed stormwater project. The Northwest Ditch Company will be piping the ditch along six hundred North, from the cemetery to the west fields. The concept, developed in collaboration with Jones and DeMille Engineering, includes upsizing the pipe to accommodate stormwater features. The City's portion of the cost for this upgrade would be \$91,000.00 to 100,000.00, which would allow for the pipe upgrade along with the installation of inlet boxes on six hundred North. Jason stated that this amount would need to be budgeted for next year's budget, and he recommended proceeding with this partnership option. Council members also discussed having a written agreement between the City and Ditch Company on the clean out responsibilities for this ditch. The item will be added to the next agenda for further discussion and approval.

**Council Member Cox:**

Lance reported that Sam Kerksiek had contacted him regarding a generous donation of 7-10 good shade trees from the Beaver Nursery to the City. Council members expressed their appreciation for the offer and inquired about the possibility of having input on the selection of trees to be donated.


**Council Member Hunter:**

Randy reported that he recently spoke with SUU's Summer Games Director, Jon Oglesby. Jon inquired about using Beaver's sport fields for summer game events. City Manager Brown advised members that he has also been contacted regarding this matter and suggested that these inquiries go to Santiago Amezcua, Beaver City Recreation Director, for scheduling of the sports fields.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Council Member Cox motioned, and Council Member Schena seconded to move into closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Council Members Spencer, Schena, and Murdock voted yea by roll call vote. The motion passed with a majority vote. Council Member Webb was excused. The Council entered closed session for the above reason at 6:12 p.m. and moved out at 8:15 p.m.

Council Member Cox motioned, and Council Member Spencer seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held October 28, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.



**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**MATTHEW ROBINSON** **PATTY J. SIMARD**  
**MAYOR** **CITY RECORDER**