

City Council Meeting
October 19, 2009
6:13pm.

Present: Mayor William Isley, Herbert Toles, Hugh Marlin, Wayne Tucker, Katrina Hennings, John Coyne, David Jones and Brian Skinner.

Visitor Dave Edmonds was not present.

Mayor Isley opened the meeting with the invocation and led us into the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Isley stated Mr. Edmonds was not present, but he met with Mr. Edmonds who expressed his concerns on behalf of the Springville Youth Association that the youth football teams and cheerleaders are having problems with access to the school facilities for youth games. Mayor Isley stated he feels the city has a responsibility to support youth football as well as the baseball league, but is limited to what can be done, since there are no fields or funds available for youth football and cheerleaders.

John Coyne questioned if the practice field had to be legal size? Mayor Isley replied, yes according to the Association's by-laws the field must be residential size or seek an exception from the association. Mayor Isley advised this matter has been left in the hands of the Youth Association to find available properties and present to the council to consider leasing, etc.

Katrina Hennings replied, the Youth Association must commit to a certain number of games to be played in Springville and feels the City should help provide a place for them to play.

Brian Skinner suggested if the city does go forward with purchasing property to consider setting aside at least 60 plus acres in the future for an all sports complex.

Discuss changes in Council Meeting Procedures

The first business on the agenda was the discussion of changes in the City Council Meeting Procedures. Mayor Isley advised he met with several city councilors who suggested in order to stream line the meeting. Suggestion was made to take out individual reports by the Councilors and Department Heads at the meetings. Mayor opened the floor for discussion.

Several members opposed work sessions except when they have items to be addressed at City Council meetings or call a separate date for a work session of the Council. Suggestions were made if the Councilor has something that needs to be handled to contact the Department Head by phone, to discuss items that might need action taken.

Several councilors advised, since the council packages are ready on Friday before the meetings on Monday, nothing should be added to the agenda. Suggestions were made for department heads to prepare a report for the council packages or place the items on the agenda prior to the packages being picked up on Fridays.

In conclusion, Mayor Isley stated the majority of the Council's decision to remove individual reports from the agenda, unless a Councilor or Department Head places requests their name is on the agenda prior to the meeting.

Resolution 2009-22, Recreational Trails Grant

Resolution 2009-22 to apply for Recreational Trails 80/20 grant was presented for consideration. Motion to suspend the rules and consider was made by Herbert Toles, second by Brian Skinner. Mayor Isley called for voice votes. Toles yea, Marlin yea, Tucker yea, Hennings yea, Coyne yea, Jones yea, Skinner yea and Mayor Isley voting yea.

Motion was made by Brian Skinner to adopt Resolution 2009-22 to apply for the 80/20 Recreational Trails grant. Motion was second by Hebert Toles. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2009-09 to Increase Water Rates

Ordinance 2009-09 to increase the water rates by 10% approved by the Council at the September 21st meeting in order to meet the debt ratio required by the bonding company. Motion to suspend the rules and consider at this meeting was made by Herbert Toles, second by Brian Skinner. Mayor Isley called for voice votes: Toles yea, Marlin yea, Tucker yea, Hennings yea, Coyne yea, Jones yea, Skinner yea and Mayor Isley voting yea.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2009-09 to increase the water rates effective October 2009 billing was made by David Jones, second by Katrina Hennings. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statement for September 2009

Financial Statement for September 2009 was presented. Council briefly discussed. Motion was made by David Jones to approve the receipts and disbursements in the statement. Hugh Marlin seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of the City Council Work Session and City Council Meeting held on September 21, 2009 and the Minutes of the City Council Work Session and City Council meeting held on October 5, 2009 were presented for approval.

Hugh Marlin made one correction to the September 21st City Council meeting as follows: Page 2, third line reference to Library proposal update; remove the word plan and replace with a feasibility study.

Page 2, third line references to Contractor bonds remove the word downed.

Motion was made by Hugh Marlin to approve all minutes with the above corrections made. Wayne Tucker seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Isley reports;

1. He provided a memo to the City Council concerning the Crown Binder Buildings and there is a local business owner in negotiation with Mr. Jones about restoring instead of demolishing the buildings. Mayor stated he will keep the council informed.
2. Read a memo from Fire Chief Richard Harvey who commended his personnel on doing a good job. Also advised there was a good public turn out for the open house recently held at the fire department.
3. Mayor reported Chief Gregory Charles and Lieutenant Bill Lyle were out of town for required training.
4. Presented a memo and ask the Council to consider GPS systems placed in city owned vehicles.
5. Received notification the Downtown Streetscape Grant Project, Phase Two has been approved from Robinson Street up to the Library.
6. He read a letter from the City Clerk Brenda Roberts, announcing, after serving 25 years with the City she plans to retire on March 1, 2010.

Motion to adjourn at 7:00pm by Wayne Tucker. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Brenda Roberts, City Clerk
Jennifer Disker, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor William Isley

Minutes transcribed and typed by Brenda Roberts, City Clerk