

**MINUTES**  
**ENOCH CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 16, 2022 at 6:00pm**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road**  
**Meeting ID: 860 9585 5616**

**Members present:**

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut  
Council Member David Harris  
Council Member Richard Jensen  
Council Member West Harris  
Council Member Katherine Ross  
Council Member Shawn Stoor

**Staff present:**

Julie Watson, Recorder-Zoom  
Ashley Horton, Treasurer  
J. Wayment, City Attorney -absent  
Hayden White, Public Works Director  
Robert Dotson, City Manager  
Jackson Ames, PD Chief  
Lindsay Hildebrand, Deputy Recorder

**Public Present:** Leonard Correa, Delaine Finlay, Bryce Paulson, Jeff Cowley, B. Fawson, and Kaiya Harris

1. **CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING** - By Mayor Chesnut at 6:00 pm.
  - a. **Pledge of Allegiance-** Led by Council Member Stoor
  - b. **Invocation (2 min.)-**Audience invited to participate- Given by Council Member Ross
  - c. **Inspirational thought** - Given by Mayor Chesnut
  - d. **Approval of Agenda for March 16, 2022 – Council Member Council Member D. Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Jensen seconded and all voted in favor.**
  - e. **Approval of Minutes for March 2, 2022 - Council Member Ross noted that the action from the closed meeting needs to be changed to “Proceed with purchase of property”. Council Member Council Member D. Harris made a motion to approve the minutes with the noted correction. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**
  - f. **Ratification of Expenditures-** Council Member Council Member D. Harris made a motion to approve the ratification of expenditures. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.
  - g. **Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-** None
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – There were no public comments.
3. **CONSIDER A PROPOSAL FOR A CHILDREN’S TOUCH RUGBY CLASS BE COMPLETED DURING MAY AND JUNE OF THIS YEAR – Jeff Cowley**

Jeff had printed out a summary and handed it out to the council members. He explained that he teaches sport science at SUU and he has found a motor skill pandemic in the nation. He proposed to start a rugby class, but he doesn’t know what the interest level would be. He thinks he can take about 30 kids at a time. He will need a field space and plans on collecting about a \$20 fee, which would allow each child to take a ball home with them. If there is enough interest then they would do more of a league and could probably schedule two days per week to run drills and do some scrimmaging. The idea is to teach children new skills, get them motivated, and help

build the community. Jeff would conduct it. He wanted to use the City parks/space to run around. Council Member D. Harris asked if he would want the City to reserve an area. Jeff didn't know what was required. Mayor Chesnut asked if he would be interested in flyers from the Council. They can help build the community and help advertise the program. There was no opposition from the administration. Council Member Ross thought this was a great idea. She asked if there would be any insurance problems. City Manager Dotson said if it's run through the City then it's covered under Enoch City insurance. There was some discussion on collaboration with the Council and whether he would pass the money through the City. Mayor Chesnut offered \$250 for flyers and things and the Council approved.

**4. ORDINANCE NO. 2022-03-16AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ADDRESS OF 4595 PEARLY LANE TO 89 WEST 4600 NORTH-Mgr. Dotson**

**Council Member D. Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-03-16 An ordinance to change the address of 4595 Pearly Lane to 89 West 4600 North. Council Member Jensen seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:**

**Council Member Ross-Yes                      Council Member D. Harris-Yes**  
**Council Member W. Harris-Yes              Council Member Jensen-Yes**  
**Council Member Stoor-Yes**

**5. CONSIDER CHANGING TRUCK PARKING ORDINANCE NO. 11.300.344 UNLAWFUL PARKING - REGARDING DISTURBING NEIGHBORS**

City Manager Dotson pulled up the current ordinance. Five years or so ago the ordinance would not allow people to park big trucks anywhere in Enoch. This issue goes back and forth between City Councils. Council Member D. Harris noted the person who brought the issue to the Council had approached the driver and asked to resolve it, but the driver refused. There is discussion on having the road painted to define a turning lane in reference to the location where the truck was parked. Council Member Jensen said if we can fix the issue another way then that's the best option. Council Member D. Harris noted he doesn't want to restrict the ordinance any more. He wondered if there was a portion of the issue that would pertain to the nuisance ordinance. City Manager Dotson explained in this case nuisance ordinance doesn't define what a truck parking "nuisance" is. Mayor Chesnut asked what the least intrusive regulatory way is to solve this. Council Member D. Harris said he would like to solve the issue without changing the ordinance.

Public Works was assigned to paint the lines on the road. Chief Ames noted that with this change on the roadway they could approach the drive if he parks there and have grounds for action if needed. Mayor Chesnut confirmed this change will allow for regulation if violated.

**6. CONSIDER INFOWEST, LLC. TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT – City Manager Dotson**

Ross Cape of Infowest said they want to come in and run internet fiber into homes like South Central Communications did. Mayor Chesnut noted City Manager Dotson has reviewed the contract. City Manager Dotson said the City has a franchise agreement with South Central, which is non-exclusive. This agreement with Infowest would also be non-exclusive. It's a shared public utility easement. The City will also be receiving an additional franchise tax. Ross said that it would take some time to get fiberlink here. The permitting process will take the most time.

**7. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03-16 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH INFOWEST, LLC.**

**Council Member Jensen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-03-16 A resolution to approve the Franchise Agreement with Infowest, LLC. Council Member W. Harris seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:**

**Council Member Ross-Yes**  
**Council Member W. Harris-Yes**  
**Council Member Stoor-Yes**

**Council Member D. Harris-Yes**  
**Council Member Jensen-Yes**

**8. CERTIFICATION OF PETITION FOR ANNEXATION – Phillip Emerson-Old Hwy 91**

Deputy Recorder, Lindsay Hildebrand noted this Petition for Annexation meets all requirements for certification. This starts the noticing process. City Manager Dotson said Mr. Emerson has requested a zone change for Mega RV Storage and after it was denied, he met with surrounding property owners and offered to fix the issues they had concerns with. After doing research, it was discovered that a portion of the property has not been annexed so this is a clean-up measure.

**9. CONSIDER AMENDING CEMETERY FEES & HYDRANT FEES – Rob Dotson, City Manager**

City Manager Dotson said Parowan raised their non-resident cemetery plot fee to \$5,000. Mayor Chesnut said there are a lot of non-residents buying cemetery plots in surrounding cities. Kanarraville has had to stop selling to non-residents. Cedar City had someone buy 20 plots at a time. Mayor Chesnut defined “heritage” as a family that moved away but wants to come home. City Manager Dotson said the Iron County Coordinating Council will look into whether the County will create a non-municipal cemetery. There is discussion on how full the Enoch cemetery is. City Manager Dotson said this proposal limits the amount of plots people can buy. There is no fee set for the proposed “Heritage Non-Resident”. Council Member D. Harris said he would be okay with charging \$500 for heritage non-residents and regular non-residents. Council Member W. Harris thought \$2500 for non-residents and \$300 for non-residents heritage. City Manager Dotson wanted to know if the Council wanted to change the open and close fee for heritage non-residents and non-residents. There was more discussion.

Mayor Chesnut mentioned the hydrant fees. City Manager Dotson explained how the City charges for hydrant valves and hydrant meters. The minimum fee is not high enough. Hayden White, Public Works Director, is proposing \$39 instead of \$29. Both the cemetery and hydrant fees will be brought back in the next meeting.

**10. CONSIDER AMENDING ENOCH CITY ENGINEERING STANDARDS REGARDING SLOPES-City Mgr. Dotson**

City Manager Dotson said there was some discussion on this item at the last meeting. He has not received any input from our engineer on specific parameters of when the .4% is allowed. He read the new Cedar City standard, which was given by the requesting engineer. They are trying to get construction drawings done and they want an exception until we get our standards finished. Based upon code and engineering standards, they would have to commit to move the same amount of water and sewage no matter what the slope is. City Manager Dotson said we are hoping to have the standards completed soon. Council Member Ross wanted to know if there would be a notification to a potential buyer that they wouldn’t be able to build a basement if the City decides to adopt the “no basement area”. City Manager Dotson explained that the notification would happen in the review that the City Inspector would complete. He would verify where the sewer is to find out if they have to put in a sump pump.

**Council Member D. Harris made a motion to approve the exception of .4% on the design of Enoch City engineering standards regarding slopes. Council Member W. Harris seconded and all voted in favor.**

**11. CONSIDER BUSINESS & DOG LICENSING - Council Member Jensen**

Council Member Jensen was hoping to have a conversation to take steps to get rid of business and dog licensing altogether. He doesn't like the requirement aspect of them. There is discussion as to why someone would need a business license. Council Member Jensen pointed out that other cities have taken the steps to eliminate licensing requirements. City Manager Dotson said that the City has a contract with the Cedar City Wastewater Treatment Facility in which we are required to report when someone is operating a business. The only way we notify them is through business licensing and building permits. He gave an example as to why we are required to report to them. There may be businesses that need grease traps or use chemicals. Certain things aren't allowed to go in the system. The International Building Code requires additional inspections if the use of the property has changed to a commercial use. The City needs business licensing for these administrative purposes. Council Member D. Harris wanted to simplify the process, if not eliminate it.

Regarding dog licensing, Council Member Jensen noted that several other cities don't require it. Chief Ames said the Police Department needs to track rabies vaccinations to be sure they are current. If the dog is involved in a situation then they can find the owner quicker. He wasn't sure about whether to keep licensing. He had asked Cedar City Police Chief Adams if they saw a negative impact once they eliminated the dog licensing requirement and the response was no. The City would provide licensing if people requested it. Chief Ames said they can still enforce rabies vaccinations, dogs at large, etc. Essentially, Council Member Jensen was talking about eliminating the requirement of things that don't have to be required. Leonard Correa asked if the fees help run the animal shelter. Chief Ames said yes.

## **12. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM 2021 - Hayden White - PW Director**

Hayden White said this is a standard report. This is a document that approves everything he reported in the document. He explained why he needs this adoption. It has to be approved through the Council and signed by the Mayor.

**Council Member D. Harris made a motion for adoption of the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program 2021. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**

## **13. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT**

Hayden White reported the last couple of weeks they have jumped off of projects due to snow. There are about 45 work orders that they are taking care of. They are taking about a day each. Also, April 4<sup>th</sup> is when they are starting the parks' water hookups to the secondary line.

Chief Ames said Brenda Pires is working during the day and is assigned over code enforcement and nuisance to channel everything in those areas through one officer. The PD will be into the school a little bit more. They will be teaching a little bit in the fall. They are staying busy and going to a training investigation next week. There was discussion about a device that is similar to fire grenades. An officer can throw it into a home to help subdue a fire before the Fire Department arrives. Mayor Chesnut thought there should be at least two in every unit. Chief Ames noted that they are between \$600 and \$1,000. Mayor Chesnut said we would need 12 more. Ashley Horton said she has been working on an audit from URS. She has also been starting on next year's budget. There was discussion about ways of putting this together. Ashley suggested that each person should take one aspect and meet with her and City Manager Dotson. After that we will come back and meet together to discuss the budget. Council Member D. Harris agreed.

City Manager Dotson reported on the update on storm drainage planning. The East Bench Watershed Environmental Assessment for the nine (9) basins and channels through the city is coming to an end. They have given the City a grant for Project #1, which is the channel at the north end of Enoch and the basin on Enoch Road and Sagebrush and Highway 91. Sunrise Engineering will do the design as well, so it's all done by one organization.

Lindsay Hildebrand reported on her training at the UMCA Institute and Academy. She learned a lot about the job and what other recorders do in other cities throughout Utah.

City Manager Dotson said there were conversations in the past where they negotiated the donation of the Richardson Well. The property has been purchased in Phase 1 of Pineview Estates. The owner had a loan and the Richardsons deeded us 17 acre feet of water that had a priority date of 1920s and deeded 3.8 acre feet of water that is 1940s. In exchange for the Well and irrigation water, we would provide them 3.8 acre feet of culinary water. Mayor Chesnut said their recollection of the negotiation was that in return for the donation of the Well we would give them access to 3.8 acre feet that's culinary. City Manager Dotson said they just brought in the deed for the Well and now the lending company is asking about it. Council Member Jensen asked if we give them the 1.8 acre feet. City Manager Dotson said yes. He just wanted to be up front and transparent.

Council Member D. Harris reviewed the Water Board meeting. The Board met to figure out a way to utilize water more wisely and incentivize conservation.

Council Member Jensen had a question about the new County jail location. He wondered if the sewer would connect and dump into Enoch's sewer line. City Manager Dotson said we have an agreement with Cedar City for a 10 inch line and it connects to our line. The agreement is if they increase the capacity of the line, they have to increase the capacity of ours as well.

**16. ADJOURN Council Member D. Harris made a motion to adjourn. Council Member W. Harris seconded and all voted in favor. The meeting ended at 8:02.**

 4-7-22  
Lindsay Hildebrand, Deputy Recorder

Date