MINUTES ENOCH CITY COUNCIL October 16, 2019 at 6:00pm

City Council Chambers City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road

Members present:

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut Council Member David Harris Council Member Jolene Lee Council Member Dave Owens-absent Council Member Katherine Ross Council Member Shawn Stoor

Staff present:

Julie Watson, Recorder Ashley Horton, Treas.-absent Justin Wayment, Atty. Earl Gibson, PW Dir. Robert Dotson, City Mgr. Jackson Ames, PD Chief-absent

Public present: none

- 1. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING-By Mayor Chesnut at 6:10 pm.
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance-Led by City Manager Dotson
 - b. Invocation-Audience invited to participate-Given by Council Member Lee
 - c. Inspirational thought-Given by Council Member Harris
 - d. Approval of Agenda for October 16, 2019-Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor.
 - e. Approval of Minutes for October 2, 2019-Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.
 - f. Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-none stated

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS-none

3. DISCUSS/SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON 2019-2020 BUDGET FOR 11-6-19 Council Member Harris made motion to set a public hearing on the 2019-2020 revised budget for November 6, 2019. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee and all voted in favor.

4. DISCUSS/VOTE ON EXCEPTION TO FENCE HEIGHT FOR PHAZE CONCRETE PROPERTY

Mayor Chesnut asked City Manager Dotson about this item. City Manager Dotson said the Code regarding fences is in the packet and limits fence height to six (6) feet. The Code does say the Planning Commission can make a recommendation to allow a change to that. In this case, the owners, Phaze Concrete, want to put in a eight (8) foot fence on the 600 East side of their property. This is an industrial zone. They are using concrete blocks they have to make a fence eight (8) foot high for two reasons. One reason is to hide the Conex storage containers they intend to place along the 600 East side and also they have the blocks on hand and would like to make use of them. City Manager Dotson described the look of it for the storage area and that the block wall will be the back wall of Conex box storage area. It is on the one side only. Also this wall will serve as another buffer to the residential area across the street for a sound barrier. Heavy equipment can be noisy. Phaze Concrete has talked to the neighbors and they are in favor of the block wall. Council Member Harris asked about intersections or impairing vision and was told it

will not extend to the corner. It will start at the north end of their building and not at the northern property line. Council Member Lee said that would be a good barrier due to the type of business. The Planning Commission agreed and sent a favorable recommendation. Mayor Chesnut asked for a motion.

Council Member Harris made motion to approve the eight (8) foot fence height for Phaze Concrete on 600 East. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor.

City Manager Dotson said Phaze Concrete has been a good neighbor and always comes into the office to ask and make sure what they want to do is good with the City. Even before they bought the property they came in to talk to us about their plans.

5. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

<u>Earl Gibson</u> reported they are working on the fire building and finished the chip sealing. They will start on Iron Mountain pond again. Council Member Lee asked about the work on Midvalley Road and Earl said it is for the minor lot subdivision. They had to dig down 12 feet to install utilities under existing utilities. Earl said the crew is getting ready for winter and will be closing park restrooms soon.

City Manager Dotson said we are being asked about a fall open burn and in discussions with the State Fire Marshal and Chief Phillips, allowing an open burn requires moisture and we have had none. They say until it rains there is no way we can allow open burning. It is just too dry and they are responding to fires almost every day. We, as a City Council, have been invited to have a tour of the Cedar City Fire Station. We contract with them for our fire protection and it is an eye opener to see their equipment and training protocols. They would like to schedule that for the City Council maybe after a regular meeting so the public could be invited too. This would be approximately an hour long tour of the station. Mayor Chesnut suggested we put that on an upcoming agenda when there is not a lot of other business to take care of. November 6th may work well. City Manager Dotson said our CERT coordinators are activated now. They looked at our CERT trailer and will insulate it, put in shelving and start the process to get equipment for emergencies. They will also do training sessions. The Groundwater Management Plan public meeting was held last night. Part of the discussion was about the west desert water pipeline which is moving along at a "snail's pace". We are working with Cedar City and the Conservancy District who have hired Carollo Engineers to develop a business plan and budget for this project. City Manager Dotson said the cost is estimated at \$250 to \$500 million depending on how long it takes. Time adds to the price. City Manager Dotson said the Enoch City promotional video commissioned by the Economic Development Committee is almost completed and he will show it to the Council at the end of this item. It is about two minutes long and is very impressive. When completed, the City Council will be asked for their approval before it is posted online.

<u>Julie Watson</u> reported a lady came into the office to make a \$100 donation to the DAR "Wreaths Across America" because she saw Mayor Chesnut's Facebook post about the program for our cemetery. She said she was very impressed and wanted to help.

Mayor Chesnut told about making the video and added people can donate online.

Council Member Ross said the Planning Commission discussed the fence height exception and the dark sky proposal for the Subdivision Ordinance regarding streetlights. They wanted more information so did not set a public hearing. They have questions and concerns about safety and wanted more detailed criteria for what would be required. Bob Tingey and City Manager Dotson are meeting tomorrow to get more information together for the next meeting. She reported she has a committee of three for "Wreaths Across America" and need more people to help with this. They plan to meet with the DAR ladies who gave the presentation in an earlier City Council meeting. We have a list of residents who have veteran family members buried here and are trying to get some of them to be on the committee.

Council Member Stoor said they are trying to standardize the City's recreation programs and met with soccer organizers to discuss budget. They have put in a lot of time and effort to get the program going and did not understand the confines of city budgets and that we have guidelines and constraints. They understand that better now and we will work with them. The Recreation Committee is not meeting tomorrow.

Council Member Harris said the Water Board met last week and we are talking about acquiring wells and gathering information on wells to determine what would be the best additions to the City water system. A recommendation will be coming to the City Council soon. The Groundwater Management Plan public meeting was held last night and went about as expected. In 15 years the first cut of water rights will come. The hope is that through efforts to recharge the aquifer, conservation and bringing in west desert water that cuts can be avoided. The Environmental Impact Study on the west desert water is ongoing. There was brief discussion of hiring experts to find water using technology used in oil and gas exploration. We have had some experience with one company in Enoch but in the case of the Conservancy District an RFP would be required and a process so there is no more talk of utilizing those services at this time.

Council Member Lee said she, City Manager Dotson and Earl meet with property owners on 4200 North to begin negotiations to purchase or do whatever for road easements to expand that road. We have known for years this road would be needed to move residents in and out of Enoch and now we are here. They are working individually on negotiations. She mentioned the information on the City marquee stays the same for long periods of time and she tends to think people don't see it anymore. City Manager Dotson said he has wanted some budget money to be allocated for a new sign and for another sign to place on Minersville Hwy. so folks on that side of town get messages. He would like the sign to be electronic so messages could be easily changed and be the same on both signs. We have an easement for sign on the corner of Minersville and a private property. The budget is open so we can talk about it.

City Manager Dotson showed the video produced by Darin Fraser for the EDC. The City Council will approve it at some point on an agenda. They are redoing some parts where the microphone was not properly placed and will be done soon. Basically this is meant to help people see what Enoch has to offer and to help boost local businesses and to help them expand.

ADJOURN-Motion to adjourn by Council Member Harris. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor. The meeting ended at 6:50 PM.

Julie Watson, Recorder Da