

Mendon City Council Minutes

Convened: June 11, 2020 | Meeting location 15 North Main Street, Mendon City Office

Meeting called by Mayor Ed Buist

Type of meeting City Council

Note taker Traci Hillyard
Camille Randall

Attendees:

Bob Jepsen	Kirk Taylor
Jon Hardman	Daphne Carlson
Ian Nemelka	Paul Cressall
Ron Campbell	Eric Dursteler
Phil Zobell	Keilani Ludlow

TIME: 6:00 PM

Call to Order: This meeting was held entirely using Zoom video conference due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. There being five members virtually present and five members representing a quorum, Mayor Buist called the meeting to order.

Others Present: Area residents appearing by Zoom. Jenna Frandsen, Brian Brimley, Brad Olsen, Brad Franke, Greg Smith, Karen DeGasser, Breck Rushton, Doug Hunsaker, Lisa Helms, Jan Koonz, Tayler Jensen, Steve Baker, Jason Norris.

Pledge of Allegiance: Omitted due to Zoom platform

Invocation: Omitted due to Zoom platform

Welcome: Mayor Ed Buist welcomes everyone.

Agenda

Agenda Adoption: A copy of the notice and the agenda for this meeting was posted on the Utah Public Notice Website, Mendon City's Website, posted at the City Office, the Post Office, published in the local newspaper, emailed to the voluntary resident list serve, and provided to each member of the governing body. All provided more than forty-eight hours before meeting time.

MINUTES:

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Buist

6:01 pm

Councilmembers Bob Jepsen, Greg Taylor, Ron Campbell, Jon Hardman, Ian Nemelka have all reviewed the minutes.

Motion:

Councilmember Bob Jepsen motions to approve without changes. Seconded by Councilmember Greg Taylor.

Action:

The motion passed minutes are approved.

Approval of Bills

Mayor Buist

6:01 pm

Bills have been reviewed by all councilmembers.

Motion:

Bob Jepsen motions to accept the bills. Councilmember Greg Taylor seconds the motion. No further discussion.

Action:

All in favor and submitted.

Deputy Clark Report

Deputy Clark is next on the agenda but has not yet joined the virtual meeting. He may not have a need to join so the meeting continues.

Public Hearing on Resolution 2020-05

Mayor Buist

6:05 pm

Mayor Buist moves onto the agenda item of adopting the DRAFT General Plan. Mayor Buist makes a record of the history of preparing the DRAFT General Plan. Due to COVID-19 pandemic and based upon the city attorney's advice the public hearing for adopting the General Plan will be continued to the September City Council. Because the public input is encouraged and welcomed another Virtual General Plan Open House will be held on Thursday, June 18th @ 6:30 pm.

MINUTES:

Motion:

Councilmember Ron Campbell motions to continue the Public Hearing to adopt the General Plan to September 10th City Council Meeting. Councilmember Greg Taylor seconds the motion. Discussion opens for councilmembers. All in favor. None opposed.

Action:

The item on the agenda for 6:15pm is continued to the September 10th City Council Meeting.

Q & A on Movies in the Park

Jenna Frandsen

6:24 pm

Resident Jenna Frandsen addresses city council about the possible future and requirements of doing a family- friendly movies in the park for Mendon. There is interest but timeline will be contingent upon COVID-19 state guidelines. Council discusses with resident Jenna Frandsen. Mayor Buist offers to be the city representative that Jenna will work with to make an event like this happen when the pandemic allows.

Resolution 2020-03 Resolution to Raise the Water Rate

Mayor Buist

6:45 pm

Councilmember Jon Hardman addresses the reasoning, the history, and the intentions of water rate increase. Discussion concludes.

Mayor Buist reads 2020-03 to the record.

Motion:

Councilmember Ron Campbell motions to approve Resolution 2020-03. Councilmember Jon Hardman seconds. Passes unanimously.

Action:

Mayor Buist signs. Resolution 2020-03 ready for signature from the city treasurer.

MINUTES:

Resolution 2020-08 to update Cemetery Ordinances and Fees

Councilmember 7:00 pm
Bob Jepsen

Councilmember Bob Jepsen addresses proposed resolution. Discussion between councilmembers. Councilmember Bob Jepsen makes a record that resident Doug Ruggar has accepted the role to lead going forward as it pertains to the existing veteran's memorial at the cemetery.

Action:

Discussion concludes. Mayor Buist asks the council to finish the draft document and notes that this will need a Public Hearing as it is tied to code.

Eric Dursteler, City Engineer

Updates city council with status of cemetery updates.

Councilmember Bob Jepsen updates council with sprinkling system requirements for the same area.

Kirk Taylor

Addresses the city council with the recommendations for fixing water downspout issues on the city office belfry.

Public Hearing on Resolution 2020-04-Resolution to Adopt Mendon City Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Mayor Buist 7:45 pm

Mayor Buist closes Council Meeting and Opens Public Hearing on Resolution 2020-04. Mayor Buist shares budget information with the public residents who are joining by Zoom. Mayor Buist proposes a new fiscal budget of \$619,948.00 and opens for public discussion.

Public Hearing:

No input from the public.

Paul Cressall, the City Recorder and Mayor Buist present the Mendon City Pay and Reimbursement Schedule.

MINUTES:

Mayor Buist outlines the specific job roles that he will recommend a 2% pay increase. Mayor Buist opens for public comment and council discussion. No comments or further discussion.

City Recorder and Mayor Buist address the officially approved state tax rate. Mayor Buist reads for the record the tax rates and revenues.

One more call for public comments. No comments. Public Hearing is closed, and the meeting reopens for council.

Council Discussion:

City council discusses fiscal budget numbers, general funding, and concerns for needs of capital purchases are voiced by Councilmember Bob Jepsen.

Mayor Buist outlines proposals to the city council. All concur. Mayor Buist reads for the record 2020-04 Resolution to Adopt Mendon City Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Motion:

Councilmember Jon Hardman motions to adopt Resolution 2020-04. Councilmember Bob Jepsen seconds the motion. None opposing. Councilmember Greg Taylor abstains from one vote.

Action:

Mayor Buist signs all prepared documents.

Public Hearing to Open and Amend the 2019-2020 Budget.

Mayor Buist closes the City Council Meeting and opens the meeting to public hearing on resolution to amend the 2019-2020 budget.

Mayor Buist and City Recorder Paul Cressall address said budgets and adjustments by departments. Discussion continues.

MINUTES:

Public Hearing:

Numbers are concluded. Budget last year went approximately \$10,000.00 over budget. Mayor Buist opens for public comment. No comment. Public Hearing is closed.

Mayor Buist closes public hearing and re-opens City Council Meeting.

Motion:

City Recorder Paul Cressall makes a record of budget transfers and amounts as follows:

\$1,100.00 from building permits to parks

\$5,000.00 from building permits to cemetery

\$1,200.00 from building permits to celebrations

\$400.00 from planning and zoning to the library

\$3,900.00 from building permits to the library

\$124,501.00 from general fund not yet allocated to:

\$2,075.00 administration

\$1,577.00 attorney costs

\$5,794.00 city engineer

\$87,055.00 streets

\$28,000.00 fire department

Motion:

Councilmember Bob Jepsen motions to approve the amended budget 2019-2020 as presented by the Mendon City Recorder. Councilmember Greg Taylor seconds. None opposing.

Action:

Mayor Buist signs all prepared documents.

MINUTES:

Agenda returns to public-works Director Kirk Taylor as previously interrupted for Public Hearing at 7:45 pm.

Kirk Taylor concludes with this agenda item.

Council Reports:

Greg Taylor-Reports on city buildings, and mosquito abatement schedule changing to Thursday nights.

Ian Nemelka-Reports on planning and zoning approvals currently completed. Animal Control contract is completed.

Ron Campbell-Reports on the library and trails and parks.

Jon Hardman-Reported on his attendance to a recent county meeting for the privatizing of the canals. He is drafting a letter outlining Mendon City's support of this plan which he will submit for the mayor's signature.

He also addresses the status of code proposed changes and bonding. They are currently with Eric Dursteler and his staff.

Bob Jepsen-Reports on the drone survey of the cemetery and Pioneer Park. He is collecting numbers for sprinkling system plans and costs.

Mayor Buist-Notes that he would like all staff and council to attend the Virtual Open House next Thursday, June 18th.

He thanks Camille Randall for her service as city clerk and welcomes the new city clerk, Traci Hillyard.

Lastly, the Mayor addresses the July 24th Celebration. He is not comfortable going forward considering the local current pandemic situation. Council shares input. Council all agree, and the mayor will draw up official statement that Pioneer Day Celebration will be cancelled.

Motion:

Motion to adjourn made by Councilmember Greg Taylor. Councilmember Jon Hardman seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the City Council, the Council Meeting adjourned at 9:54 pm.