

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023

Presiding: Council President Catherine Nielsen
Meeting Via Internet and at City Hall Convened at 6:30 p.m.
Prayer: Councilwoman Ball
Pledge of Allegiance: Council President Nielsen

Present at City Hall and Online: Councilors Joy M. Ball, Glenn Dayley, and Catherine Nielsen; Public Works Director Arlynn Jacobson; City Building Inspector Quinton Owens; Planning and Zoning Administrator Kurt Hibbert; Planning and Zoning Chair Christine Lines; City Attorney Chase Hendricks; City Office Assistant and Events Coordinator Erieka Pimentel; Idaho Department of Transportation (ITD) District 6 Alecia Johnson, Drew Meppen, and Rachel Telford; and others who may have joined electronically but not identified. Mayor Adams and Councilwoman Fogle were excused.

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION: It was moved by Councilman Dayley and seconded by Councilwoman Ball to approve the Consent Agenda with the changes to the minutes; motion carried.

HWY 20 CROSSING CLOSURES: – ITD Drew Meppen reported that five at-grade crossings along US 20 north of Sugar City are being evaluated for safety improvements and closure. An open house will be held Tuesday, February 21, 2023 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. at South Fremont High School for public comment and more information.

BUSINESS PARK LOT ACQUISITION FOR POSSIBLE LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No report.

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT:

Kurt Hibbert and Christine Lines reported on the following items:

Public Hearings: Two public hearings have been scheduled for February 28 for the proposed Comprehensive Plan and a new proposed Regional Commercial Zone.

February P&Z Meetings Canceled: The regular Planning and Zoning meetings on Thursday, Feb 2 and Feb 16 are canceled due to lack of a quorum.

Rexburg Chamber State of the City/Counties Breakfast: Mr. Hibbert filled in for the Mayor during the State of the City/Counties breakfast. He reported that Salem and Sugar want to grow together as one powerful unit.

Permit Conditions and Compliance: P&Z asked that follow-through needs to be provided for conditional permits. Too many are in noncompliance. Bonding also needs to be enforced for all development projects or be shut down.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Public Works Director Arlynn Jacobson reported on the

following items.

Third South Walking Path: Mr. Jacobson is working with City Engineer Dick Dyer on the walking path on Third South. It will go out for bid toward the end of February. The sidewalks will be completed in the spring as well as part of the Child Safety Grant funds.

Amphitheater: The city is also looking for other grants to help with the proposed amphitheater and upgraded dual use tennis courts.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Sugar Days and City Events: Councilman Dayley asked for Council input on the Sugar Days event and date. He expressed some concern regarding charging residents for the various activities during Sugar Days, as we haven't done that in the past, and he wants to make sure the event remains accessible to everyone.

Erieka Pimental reported that she would like to grow the event to encourage more participation from vendors and businesses. Vendor and ride costs would be held to a minimum. Races, inflatable bounce houses, parade, car show, disc golf tournament, talent show, battle of the bands and dunking booth were activities mentioned along with the breakfast. The council wants some growth. It is planned for June 17th.

CALENDARED ITEMS:

Set for Public Hearing February 23, 2023 – no report.

Delinquent Utility Notice Procedures
Penalty and Service Fees

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Tree and Beautification: Councilwoman Ball reported that the Tree and Beautification committee met and discussed how to use the Rocky Mountain Power \$5000 grant to beautify the Memorial Park. Committee member Lindsey Bean is working with Mr Redd.

Arbor Day Date: The committee will set a date for Arbor Day.

Motion was made for adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Signed: _____
Council President Catherine Nielsen

Attested: _____
Wendy McLaughlin, Clerk-Treasurer