

PANGUITTCH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 25, 2006  
6:30 P.M.

LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM  
25 SOUTH 200 EAST  
PANGUITTCH, UTAH 84759

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Present at the City Council meeting were Mayor J. Arthur Cooper, City Manager Allen K. Henrie, City Recorder Cindy B. Johnson, City Council Members Eric Houston, John Orton, Greg Payne, Nick Reynolds, Tim Smith and Attorney Barry Huntington.

OPENING CEREMONY The opening ceremony was conducted by Tim Smith.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Greg Payne moved, seconded by Eric Houston to adopt the agenda as outlined. The motion passed with all in favor.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Tim Smith moved, seconded by John Orton to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed with all in favor.

UP COMING MEETINGS

A. LAKE ROAD CLEANUP - APRIL 28, 7:00 A.M. - This is a reminder to the city council about the lake road cleanup.

B. BUDGET WORKSHOP - MAY 9, 5:00 P.M. - The city council will meet at the above time and day to hold a budget workshop.

SUMMER EMPLOYEE Allen K. Henrie reported that he has advertised for a summer employee but has not received any applications back as of yet. John Orton said the city can still use the inmates for big events with an officer.

Tim Smith moved, seconded by John Orton to allow Mayor Cooper and Allen K. Henrie to hire a summer employee at their discretion. The motion passed with all in favor.

HISTORIC PLAYHOUSE 89 - INTRODUCTION AND FUNDING Linda Rabin and Cheryl Church made a presentation to establish a community theater here in Panguitch.

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The first production they plan to perform will be "Sunset Trails" which is a western. They plan to only perform family friendly productions. Their target audiences will be locals and the travelers. Anyone is welcome to participate in the plays.

Garfield County Travel Council has contributed \$3,000.00. The group needs more funding and are asking for any donations.

Tim Smith expressed his appreciation for this group and feel they have a lot to offer the community.

The city council is going to discuss funding for this organization in the upcoming budget workshop.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - HARSHAD DESAI Mr. Desai was in attendance to discuss issues regarding Panguitch City's economic development. He feels we should have a Panguitch City Economic Department set up in Panguitch to get families during the hurricane season. He reported that the motels in town only fill to 43% and that is terrible.

Mr. Desai said the hurricanes are coming and the government is failing. We need to have a system in place and we need to be ready. The US Government has never learned anything and does not do anything good. Mr. Desai would like to have a economic study done to see what is going on in Panguitch and have an outside consultant determine what Panguitch needs to be doing.

Mayor Cooper told Mr. Desai that he appreciated his comments and stated that we will take what he reported into consideration.

Mr. Desai requested the city council go around at 11:00 p.m. and look at how many rooms are out.

QUILT WALK - ELAINE BALDWIN Elaine was not able to be in attendance tonight and asked that her item be tabled until the next council meeting.

Greg Payne moved, seconded by Tim Smith to table the above agenda item until the next city council meeting. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS LICENSE

-RONNIE COSTA - WINDOW CLEANING

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John Orton moved, seconded by Eric Houston to approve Ronnie Costa's window cleaning business license. The motion passed with all in favor.

FIRE AGREEMENT WITH GARFIELD COUNTY Garfield County pays Panguitch City approximately \$10,000.00 per year for fire protection. Every 5 years we need to renew our agreement with them.

Councilman Eric Houston would like to do some investigating to make sure the city is getting all of the money due to them for this service because most of the runs they go on are out in the county. He will report back his findings to the council.

Eric Houston moved, seconded by Tim Smith to table the fire agreement with Garfield County until the next city council meeting. The motion passed with all in favor.

CLERK CONFERENCE REPORT Cindy Johnson reported on some new information she learned at the clerks conference she recently attended.

Mr. Craig Bott, attorney for the trust, informed the group on some items which should not be on city council agenda. They are department reports or other items and citizen or public comment.

As far as department reports/other items - Mr. Bott stated the items need to be on the agenda if the council want to discuss them. He said most items need or should be worked out through the Mayor or City Manager or put on the next council agenda.

As far as citizen comment/public input - Mr. Bott said if the public want to speak it needs to be done in a public hearing setting. He said the public is only there to listen, not to comment on issues.

Most of the clerks in attendance expressed concerns of not allowing public comment during a council meeting. Mr. Bott said if a citizen has a problem they should converse with the Mayor or a council member and they can determine if the item should be on the council agenda for discussion.

CITIZEN COMMENT There was none.

MULTI PURPOSE EVENT CENTER The NSPRA rodeo will begin tonight and run on Thursday and Saturday in conjunction with the "Cowboy's Ain't Dead Yet" festival. There has been 120 to 130 registered participants so far.

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This week will be a busy one and Allen said any help would be greatly appreciated. Allen K. Henrie went over the schedule for the week.

PENDING BUSINESS The pending business list was edited.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Airport Board** - Councilman Tim Smith is working on organizing an active airport board.

**Fire Agreement** - Councilman Eric Houston feels that Panguitch is feeling the brunt of the coverage area without compensation and wants to do some research on the issue.

CURRENT BILLS The council reviewed the current bills to be paid. There was a question on the Snapshot multimedia bill. Allen K. Henrie will talk with Carla Farnsworth and see if that bill has already been paid.

Eric Houston moved, seconded by Tim Smith to pay the current bills. The motion passed with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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J. Arthur Cooper, Mayor

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Cindy Johnson, City Recorder