

PANGUITTCH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JANUARY 23, 2007
CITY COUNCIL - 6:30 P.M.

LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM
25 SOUTH 200 EAST
PANGUITTCH, UTAH 84759

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 Eric Houston.

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

Eric Houston moved, seconded by Greg Payne to approve the minutes of 01/09/07 as corrected. The motion passed with all in favor.

UP COMING MEETINGS

A. RURAL WATER CONVENTION - ST. GEORGE, UTAH - MAINTENANCE CREW - 2/27/07 - 3/2/07. The maintenance crew attends this conference where they earn continuing education credits for their water certifications.

Greg Payne moved, seconded by Tim Smith to approve attendance to the Rural Water Conference by Dave Owens, Kory Owens and Troy Pollock at the place and times listed above. The motion passed with all in favor.

PARKING AREA EAST OF BIC BUILDING The city council had previously agreed to put in a sprinkling system in the grass area east of the BIC building. Thoughts now are turning towards a parking lot in this area, however most would like to see the trees stay. We would still need the sprinkling system for the section of lawn next to the building. The council feels this would be a good compromise for the area.

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Nick Reynolds moved, seconded by Tim Smith to save the existing trees near the seminary building and put in a parking lot using road base. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE ADOPTION - ONE HOUSE PER LOT This ordinance needs a final approval by the city council.

John Orton moved, seconded by Tim Smith to adopt the 2007-3 ordinance regarding one house per lot. The motion passed with all in favor.

LEASE AT INDUSTRIAL PARK - RICHARD CROFTS Richard Crofts would like to lease/purchase property at the industrial park. The area to be leased is 170 X 300 feet and located west of Sparx Electric.

Greg Payne moved, seconded by Nick Reynolds to approve a lease/purchase to Richard Crofts for property at the industrial park located approximately 300 North 860 West. The motion passed with all in favor.

PLANNING AND ZONING - BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENTS
Allen K. Henrie reported on the current status of the Planning and Zoning and Board of Adjustments.

Jerry Lefevre resigned from the Planning and Zoning committee. Phil Norton will move up to be a regular member.

The Board of Adjustments has not met for a couple of years. All members of this committee but Phil Norton's terms have expired. Wayne Ross is an alternate.

Tim Smith moved, seconded by Nick Reynolds to instruct Allen K. Henrie to call and see who is willing to continue to serve and advertise for additional members. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS LICENSE - FARMERS MARKET This is for a farmers market.

Tim Smith moved, seconded by Greg Payne to approve the business of a farmers market called "Seeded in Utah". The motion passed with all in favor.

ENERGY USE TAX Allen K. Henrie reported there had been a question on the energy use tax, however he found the answer and reported back to Rocky Mountain Power.

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CITIZEN COMMENT It was reported that Sam Dunham has been approached by a couple of buyers for his business up town since Panguitch has been designated a historical district.

MULTI PURPOSE EVENT CENTER Mayor Cooper explained to the audience that the city council asked to see the budget on the Triple C and also asked for reports on events held there.

Eric Houston stated that he was the one who brought this issue up and would like to see the accountability of the arena. The total expense and revenue was discussed.

The total expense to run the arena was \$423,000.00 and the total revenue was \$210,000.00. It is costing approximetatly \$213,000.00 to run the arena for the year. It cost \$161,000.00 to run the arena last year. Allen K. Henrie invited all of the council members to come in and discuss the arena expenses with him and no one came in. Allen also said that most of the arena surveys were positive with a few negative ones.

Nick Reynolds said the rumors going around were not necessary.

Tim Smith explained that the city council wanted to see what events work best and the budget is something they need to keep on top of.

John Orton said he wanted to see the information on the arena to see what would make it work and certainly did not mean to insult anyone.

Deanna Moore stated that the arena was not supposed to make money in the first place. It was built to bring people into the community to help all of the businesses.

Eric Houston said we still need to have an accounting on what is going on at the arena. John Orton asked what was wrong with the city council wanting to know where we stand with the arena.

Leland Pollock asked what it cost to run the arena between the city and the county.

Bruce Fullmer was in attendance because he sits on the executive committee and has never seen a profit/loss statement which is what the city council is asking to see.

Scott Christensen is presently working on several different events coming in. Spectator events do not seem to work and participation events are working for the most part. Allen K. Henrie reported that some of the events put money back into the arena such as the homecoming events. Scott feels this year is going to bring a whole new light on the arena.

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Eric Houston stated that he would like to go into executive session to discuss Scott Christensen's wage and commissions. He would also like to see a report on every event in a timely manner within a couple of days following the event. (Accountability) This information needs to be into the city office as soon as possible so they can format the information. John Orton asked about the stall rent commission also.

John Orton is frustrated that the businesses in town are not staying open to serve the people who come in for some of the events. Leland Pollock asked John when Leland's Chevron and Arby's have been closed during events. He also expressed his appreciation for all of the events the city hosts. Charolette Clark, former motel owner stated that it is not feasible for a motel to stay open in the winter for only a few good business days.

Elaine Baldwin would like to see some more of the special events created but it takes a lot of time and effort by volunteer committees to pull it off and make the events happen. Allen K. Henrie stated that some of these events are hanging by a thread and we need more volunteers. These events bring in people who spend money at the businesses and it would be nice to see more volunteers from those businesses.

Most of the concern voiced are rumors. The city council is trying to make things more transparent and open to the public and want the facility to succeed.

Mayor Cooper is proud of the events that are held in our community. You can see the tax increase over the past few years. There will be Super Host training program that will be held tomorrow from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This is good training for anyone to attend.

PENDING BUSINESS The pending business list was edited.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS The city council reviewed the December, 2006 justice court report.

Eric Houston moved, seconded by Nick Reynolds to accept the December, 2006 JP fine report. The motion passed with all in favor.

4-H Conference - Elaine Baldwin reported on the state 4-H conference that will be held here on April 26, 27 & 28, 2007. So far there has been 100 classes organized for the conference.

Lights at Social Hall - The lighting for the Quilt Walk dinner play held at the Social Hall needs to be done. There is money from the old Panguitch

Foundation available combine with other money committed. Elaine would

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like to get the lights installed as a permanent fixture. Allen K. Henrie also suggested that she talk with Steve Marshall about funding from the Arts Guild also. Elaine Baldwin will get bids for the city council's approval.

Sewer pond lease - Bill Frandsen would like to continue his lease with an additional five year lease to keep his goats at the sewer ponds.

Questar - The tariff issue is going to be transferred to Beaver and we need to support the meeting when it is being discussed there.

CURRENT BILLS The council reviewed the current bills to be paid. There was a question on the Bear Peak bill and if the city still should be paying this anymore.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

J. Arthur Cooper, Mayor

Cindy Johnson, City Recorder