

MINUTES OF THE HELPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, September 17, 2009
6:00 p.m.
Helper Auditorium
Council Chambers
19 South Main
Helper, Utah 84526

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Mike R. Dalpiaz (Absent Excused)

City Staff

Council Members:

Kirk Mascaro
Chris Pugliese
Robert Bradley
Dean Armstrong
Brandon Wise

City Recorder Jona Skerl
Police Officer Donna Archuleta
Public Works Orlando Ochoa

Citizens: Kevin Fox, Mike Fox, Michele Goldsmith, Mark Wickman, Joy Bradley, Amanda Holley, Don Mortensen.

The regular meeting of the Helper City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tempore Mascaro at 6:00.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES September 3, 2009.

Council Member Wise moved to approve the minutes of September 3, 2009. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

MARJEAN HANSEN ON COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR DISPATCH SERVICES.

Marjean Hansen explained the increases in her budget to the council and how that affected the cost of dispatch services to Helper. Helper City's share of the cost for dispatch has increased each year about 20 to 30%. Council Member Armstrong asked how Ms. Hansen was cutting cost to keep the increases down. Helper City has to shift to part-time personnel to keep the cost of benefits down. Ms. Hansen explained that all wages were set by the State of Utah she has no control over the amount that is paid to employees and a full time employee with benefits is 20-40 hours plus overtime. Ms. Hansen pointed out that 90% of her budget was employee wages and benefits. The council felt that they should have been informed about the increase before the budget was passed by the consolidation. Ms. Hansen told the council that if they wanted to meet with the consolidation, which is the State of Utah, Carbon County, all the cities, College of Eastern Utah, Carbon County School District, they would have to write a letter and have a special meeting called. Council Member Armstrong felt that there was nothing at this point the council could do about the cost until next year.

Council Member Armstrong moved approve the cooperative agreement for dispatch services. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON BUSINESS LICENSE FOR KEVIN'S JANITORIAL AT 733 CASTLE GATE ROAD.

Council Member Armstrong moved approve the business license for Kevin's Janitorial at 733 Castle Gate Road. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

AMANDA HOLLEY ON SPOOK ALLEY.

Amanda Holley, Librarian, asked the council for permission to have a hayride and spook alley on October 29-30 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM as a fundraiser for the Library. The spook alley would be located on the river walkway and the hayrides would be from the auditorium to the walkway. There was a concern about insurance coverage on the event, which will need to be checked into.

Council Member Mascaro moved approve the spook alley and hayride. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON PURCHASING CASES FOR MUSEUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,600.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Mascaro told the council that the cases were solid oak and a good price.

Council Member Armstrong moved to approve purchasing cases for the museum in the amount of \$2,600. Council Member Pugliese seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL ON RIO THEATER SERVICE AGREEMENT.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Mascaro told the council that he would like to wait on this agreement until the new Mayor and Council are in place. Council Member Armstrong and Attorney Strate both had gone through the agreement and made suggestions. The council asked to have a copy of their comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**BOYACK RIGHT-A-WAY.**

Attorney Strate explained to the council that he was waiting for an appraisal from John Brown.

FRANCHISE RIGHTS FOR EMERY TELCOM.

The council asked Attorney Strate to put in the agreement that all city owned buildings have free internet use.

INTERCONNECTION WITH PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

Nothing to report.

DON JACKSON WATER ISSUE.

Council Member Armstrong moved to meet with Attorney Clyde Snow at the springs. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro, Armstrong and Wise voting yes.

UTAH POWER PAYMENT AGREEMENT.

Nothing to report.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.

No motion was made.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Council Member Armstrong moved to adjourn. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. Motion Carried Pugliese, Bradley, Mascaro Armstrong and Wise voting yes. Meeting adjourned.

I here by certify that the fore going represents a true, accurate and complete record of the Helper City Council meeting held on Thursday, September 17, 2009.

Kirk Mascaro
Mayor Pro-Tempore

Jona Skerl
City Recorder

Approved on October 1, 2009