

**EUREKA CITY COUNCIL
WORK MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2023 7:00 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Evans opened the meeting and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Chris Dever – Absent
Council Member Greg Evans – Present
Council Member Travis Haynes – Present
Council Member Tom Nedreberg – Present
Council Member Jeremy Snell – Present
Council Member Robert Trepanier – Present
City Recorder Patricia Bigler – Present
City Attorney Melissa Mellor – Present
Maintenance Technician Darrin Carlson – Present
Maintenance Technician Joe Carpenter - Present

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Child, Cindy Child, Michael Alexander, Ian Wright

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ian Wright – Update on Mine Project

Ian Wright is with the State Historic Preservation Office. Mayor Dever had asked him to give an update on what they were doing with the Chief Consolidated Mine. The Stewardship Program has been running successfully for about a year and a half. They have four stewards who regularly monitor the Chief Mine. They have done multiple service projects to secure the buildings on the mine. They have had a lot of break-ins, the doors kicked in, and the gates run over. Emerald Holding, who owns the property, said they would be interested in the long-term preservation of the site. They would be willing to transfer the land to a different owner. They got a group together that included the Division of oil, gas, and mining, the EPA, and the States Environmental Quality Group to talk about the site. Because it is a superfund site there is a covenant on the property that prohibits it being used for a historical museum, recreation, or even having someone live on it. He said they are talking with the EPA about getting the covenant removed. The State is willing to put up \$4,000 and so is Emerald Holding to get the site on the National Register of Historical places. Council Member Nedreberg asked if the State would be interested in making it a State Park. Ian said it has not been discussed but will contact them. There are ongoing discussions with the EPA about the liability the City or County would take on. Council Member Snell thinks it would be a good idea if the city had a seat at the stakeholder's table. He would be willing to sit on the committee. He does have some concerns but thinks the preservation of the site is important. Council Member Nedreberg would like to be included in the email chain. Ian said they are trying to get funding to have a survey done. This must happen before things can move forward.

Discussion on Lease Agreement for Old city Hall with the Tintic Historical Society
Michael Alexander, president of the Tintic Historical Society, introduced himself and said he would like to renew their lease for the Old City Hall. They have used the building as part of their museum since 2012 and the most recent lease is from 2019. He did acknowledge the Historical Society has failed to pay the \$100 lease fee, however; all the utilities have been paid. He would like to draft a new lease agreement. Council Member Snell asked if the building had been heated during the winter. The heat was on low to keep the pipes from freezing. He is not just worried about the pipes, but the old plaster walls also need to have heat. His other concern is that we are unable to get into the building to check on its status. That cannot happen again. Will the city be responsible for the conversion to natural gas. Recorder Bigler said she believes we included the building in our natural gas plan. Darrin said he can help to get the natural gas in. Council Member Evans said we are all in favor of having an occupant, but we will need to have access to the building. Micheal said he will get a set of keys to the city. Attorney Mellor would like to see the lease to see what changes may need to be made.

Mike Sorensen – Review of Building Permit Application for a Garage
Recorder Bigler said he has turned in his permit and the only thing he doesn't have is an excavation permit. He was not sure if he needed it. He will need to speak with Darrin about that. The new garage will be placed in the exact spot where he tore down the old one. She went over the permit with the Council. They didn't have a problem with it and said to have the excavation permit taken care of. Recorder Bigler will put it on the agenda for next week's Council Meeting.

Discussion on Eureka Drainage Improvements
Council Member Evans said that FEMA did not come out to Eureka for a visit, but JUB may have. There was nothing new to report.

Review of Scope of Work on the Active Transportation Map Plan (ATMP)
Recorder Bigler said in the meeting she had with the representative from UDOT they would like to do a bike path from Santaquin to Eureka and from Eureka to Tooele. It is discussed in the plan. She believes they are already working on it in Tooele. The next meeting will be in September.

Discussion concerning Part Time Job Opening for Dump Attendant, Crossing Guard and Janitor
Council Member Snell made some changes to the job description and came up with a new one. He did confirm with the elementary school the times and the crossing guard was not needed during lunch. He took off the used oil portion since we no longer take it. The Council discussed opening the dump for more than one day. They decided Wednesday from 6-8 pm during the summer months. The pay stayed the same as \$15.00 per hour for 29 hours. Council Member Snell will make the other changes discussed and have Recorder Bigler get it posted.

Council Member Evans said even though the bids for Beck St is not on the agenda he would like to discuss it. The Council discussed the bids and when it must be done. Darrin said Eckles was the only bid that spelled out in writing everything we wanted done. The bid would be for Beck St starting at Main St and it will branch out to catch the beginning of Railroad St and Iron & O'Connor. Per a prior agreement with Terry Kirgan, it will catch his driveway. A roll ditch to

control drainage will be put on the West Side starting at Terry Kirgan's and going up to Haulage. The issue at Steve Childs will need to be addressed prior to doing this project. The Mayor was supposed to talk with the contractor about getting the road fixed. Darrin said in the bids the city would get the mill and it will be used on the roads to the wells down at the Junction and the cemetery. Council Member Haynes felt the bids from Eckles and Bennett were the best ones. This item will be put on the agenda for the Council Meeting.

Steve Childs – He is concerned about the concrete in his driveway sinking because of the trench that was dug across the road for the new home that was being built. He was told repeatedly that this issue would be taken care of. He wants to know who will be fixing it. Will it be the contractor who built the home, the city, or does he have to do it himself. He felt the road was not compacted correctly and neither was where they dug by his driveway and explained what needed done to fix his concrete. He was upset that the contractor who made a mess on Haulage was building a home again without fixing the issues he created on Haulage. He said in one of the Council Meetings he attended it was voted to deny the building permit until the road was fixed. Recorder Bigler said it was brought up but not voted on. The vote to deny the permit concerned Railroad Property and it was later determined he didn't need to purchase any. She also informed the Council when the homes on Haulage were built the need for a bond was not in place. The Council still has not passed a performance bond ordinance. Attorney Mellor asked her to put it on the Council Meeting agenda. The water & sewer ordinances say the work needs to be done by a bonded contractor. Council Member Haynes said he would contact Farnsworth.

Council Member Snell asked if there had been any movement on getting iWorQ's the plat map information. Recorder Bigler said the Mayor told her he had talked to Commissioner Painter and was told there was no problem we could get the layers we needed. She called the County Recorder and was told no one had talked to her and she would need to get a hold of Commissioner Painter. iWorQ's told us we could use something else, but it was not updatable. We are also waiting on getting the map layers from Sunrise Engineering, so our training is on hold.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Nedreberg made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Haynes seconded. All in favor meeting adjourned.