Daniel Town Council Meeting

Monday, January 8, 2024, at 6:00 PM
Wasatch County Services Building, Conference B
55 South 500 East, Heber City, UT

Meeting Minutes

Quorum Present: Mayor Scott Kohler, Council Member, Robyn Pearson, and newly elected Council Member Gary Walton were present. Council Member Blotter was absent. Also, present were Planner Eric Bunker, and Clerk/Recorder Kim Crittenden to take minutes.

Members of the Public: Pam Skinner, Lisa Dinga, Gina Williams, Barb Walton, Barry Dixon, Lynne Shindurling, Scott Walton, Blake Walton, and Stacy Kohler.

Mayor Kohler welcomed the public and began the meeting at 6:00 PM.

1) Public Comment: (please limit to 2 minutes per person)

Pam Skinner spoke and thanked the former Council Members Dixon and Duggin for their service to the Town. She continued by stating how much she liked the atmosphere, uniqueness and open space that the Town of Daniel provided to residents. She stated how much she would like to see this maintained. She stated she is concerned about increased traffic and speeding on 3000 South. She stated that she knows this might be a difficult issue to address but she thought this would be worth exploring for the safety of residents in the Town.

Mayor Kohler thanked both former Council Member Dixon and former Council Member Duggin for their service. He stated that she was under the weather and would not be attending the meeting. He continued by stating how much Council Member Duggin had done for the Town over her many years of service. He presented former Council Member Dixon with a gift basket and noted that he would be dropping off former Council Member Duggin's basket.

2) Swearing-In of New Council Members

Newly elected Council Member Gary Walton was sworn into office.

Mayor Kohler stated that the newly elected Town Council Member Matt McMillen had called him and stated that he had taken a new job and did not think he had the time or capacity at this time to accept the responsibility of being a Town Council Member. He stated that the Town would be accepting letters of interest for the next month and that there would be a notice published in the Wasatch Wave as well about the open position on the Town Council. He continued by encouraging all in attendance to let anyone that they think would be a good Town Council Member know about the open seat and to submit a letter of interest to the Town of Daniel office.

3) Business License Approval(s)

a. Maid to Sparkle -Chasity Morgan

Mayor Kohler read the application into the record. There was a question raised by Council Member Walton about whether the Town had verified the State of Utah Business License for the

applicant and it was noted that it had not been verified, but that she had a business license in Heber City and had just recently moved to Daniel. It was also noted that the only business that would be happening in the Town of Daniel would be bookkeeping since she did residential cleaning in her customer's homes.

Council Member Pearson moved to approve the business license for Maid to Sparkle. The motion was seconded by Council Member Walton. A roll call vote of Pearson yes, Kohler yes, and Walton yes. The motion passed.

4) Council Reports/Updates

Council Member Pearson also thanked former Council Members Dixon and Duggin for their service. He further stated that he appreciated all of the work that Mayor Kohler had done to work with Wasatch County and get the multiple potholes fixed throughout the Town. He stated that he had received a great deal of positive feedback from residents on this road improvement effort.

Mayor Kohler stated that he already addressed his thoughts previously about former Council Members Dixon and Duggin. He stated that he was looking forward to working with Council Member Walton and thanked him for all of the work he has done behind the scenes for the work. He stated that most of the public does not know how much work he has in the past and continues to do to assist the Town.

Council Member Walton expressed his appreciation for former Council Member Dixon and Duggin as well. He continued by stating that he agreed with all of the concerns that Commissioner Pam Skinner had discussed during the public comment portion of the meeting. He stated that the Town is also unique because of the members of our community. He stated that in the 20 years that he lived in the Town he had appreciated all of the efforts to keep the Town of Daniel a wonderful place to live. He stated that he would be focusing on this and also mentioned that these efforts are best done in the public forum. He closed by also thanking Mayor Kohler. for his efforts in getting the potholes fixed.

5) Engineer Reports/Updates

Mayor Kohler stated that he had excused the engineers from the meeting. He asked Planner Bunker to answer any questions that might arise in his planner report and he agreed to do so.

6) Planner Report/Updates

Mayor Kohler read the planning report into the record.

He began with a report on the CMC Rock Building. He stated that it was nearly complete with only the grading and lighting permits outstanding. Council Member Pearson mentioned that there had previously been complaints about CMC trucks using 3000 South and Daniel Road. Mayor Kohler stated that he had addressed this with Todd Cusick and he felt that this had been taken care of. Commissioner Skinner stated that she had recently seen trucks turning off from 3000 South to HWY 189 turning toward Provo twice.

Mayor Kohler stated that the Trunnell building red tag was removed and that Mr. Trunnell is working with the fire department on the number of hydrants that would be required for the building. In addition, the lighting concerns for this building are being followed up with Town Staff.

Mayor Kohler stated that there would be a Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit for the Polvoorde property at the Planning Commission meeting in February. He reminded attendees that the Planning Commission meets on the third Wednesday of every month and encouraged anyone interested to attend.

7) Daniel Municipal Water and Storm Haven Water Systems Report/Updates

Planner Bunker stated that the power had been out for the Daniel system twice during the month. Mayor Kohler stated that interference from turkeys roosting on equipment was causing the power outages. It was asked if there were any alarm systems in place to alert Town staff when the power is out. It was noted that currently there was not any type of notification system. Mayor Kohler stated he would follow up with Heber Light and Power to see if this was possible. It was also asked if there was any kind of generator up at the pump house. It was stated that currently there is not one, but this had been an ongoing discussion.

Mayor Kohler stated that he had spoken to Adam Knight and the parts to repair the leak in the Storm Haven main line. He stated that it would likely be fixed the week of January 17th.

8) Recorder's Office: Warrants approval, Announcements, etc.

Questions about the increase in office rent were addressed. Clerk/recorder Crittenden reported that the rent had increased from \$500 to \$650 and that Mayor Kohler had signed an 18-month lease that would take us through the next fiscal year. She also noted that rent included internet and utilities.

Council Member Pearson moved to approve the December 2023 Warrants. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kohler. A roll call vote of Pearson yes, Kohler yes, and Walton yes. The motion passed.

9) Approval of Meeting Minutes for December 4, 2023 Town Council Meetings

Council Member Pearson moved to approve the December 2023 Warrants. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kohler. A roll call vote of Pearson yes, Kohler yes, and Walton yes. The motion passed.

10) Possible closed session as permitted by UCA 52-4-205

No closed session.

11) Adjourn

Council Member Pearson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Walton. A roll call vote of Pearson yes, Kohler yes, and Walton yes. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM

Kim Crittenden

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