

ALPINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Alpine City Hall, 20 N. Main, Alpine, UT
March 10, 2020

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Troy Stout.

A. Roll Call: The following were present and constituted a quorum:

Mayor Troy Stout

Council Members: Lon Lott, Judi Pickell, Carla Merrill, Greg Gordon, Jason Thelin

Staff: Shane Sorensen, Charmayne Warnock, David Church, Austin Roy, Chief Brian Gwilliam

Others: Ed Bush, Rob Schoen, Matt Schoen, Leslie Devey, Will Jones

B. Prayer: Jason Thelin

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Matt Schoen

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve City Council Minutes of February 25, 2020

MOTION: Lon Lott moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Judi Pickell seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Matt Schoen of Troop 808 said for his Eagle project he would be painting 36 fire hydrants and painting the curb in the City Hall area. He said it would benefit the Fire Department and let citizens know where not to park. He planned to do it on March 28, 2020.

Ed Bush - Box Elder Drive. He said he had a number of comments on Lambert Park. First, the new southwest parking did not seem to be getting a lot of use. He recommended the big, NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES sign be moved farther into the park so people knew they could park in the parking lot. The road that led to the shooting range needed a sign. Second, he said he was seeing a lot of things dumped in the park, including things left by the City. The City needed to set an example and remove the Alpine Days directional parking signs. Third, in the rodeo parking area, he'd seen big tire tracks heading toward the private property on the north. He suggested boulders and extra fencing. Fourth, he'd noticed bike curbs and jumps on the bottom of Ruin Trail. Will Jones said that those trails would be designated for that kind of riding. Finally, Ed Bush said his house number for Box Elder Drive was duplicated on Box Elder Trail, which was confusing. Shane Sorensen told him to talk to Jed Muhlestein about it.

Mayor Stout thank Ed and Judy Bush for all their efforts in Lambert Park.

Greg Gordon asked if it was okay to shoot by Lambert Park with all the new homes being built up there. Lon Lott said Mitt Romney's staff was meeting with Cedar Hills and other cities to discuss that issue. Troy Stout said he'd met with Mike Lee's staff but there was so much turnover, the issue kept getting lost. Ed Bush said John Curtis was holding a meeting, also, and they were going to also bring it up with him.

In regard to a question about fencing in Lambert Park, Shane Sorensen said there had been two Eagle projects to construct fencing and it still was not complete. If anyone was looking for an Eagle project, that was available. Rob Schoen said he was the Commissioner for the Boy Scout troop that met in Alpine. They had 41 boys and more than

half would be looking for Eagle projects so he would pass on that information. If there were any other ideas for projects, he asked the City to contact him.

Shane Sorensen said Trail Day was in April and one of the projects would be signage.

IV. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Financial Report

Shane Sorensen the City was on track with revenue and expenses and the Budget was in good shape. They would begin holding meetings for the 2020-21 Budget.

V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Verizon Compensation

Shane Sorensen said the Council had discussed the fee Verizon would pay Alpine City to locate a tower on Alpine property. Verizon originally proposed \$2,000/month with a 10% rate increase every five years. The City Council countered the offer with \$2,000/ month and an annual increase of 3.5%. After some negotiation, Verizon came back with an offer of \$2,200/month or \$26,400 a year and a 2% annual increase. Over the long term, that was nearly equivalent to \$24,000 a year with a 3% annual increase.

MOTION: Judi Pickell moved to approve the rental rate of \$2,200 a month with a 2% annual increase as proposed by Verizon. Greg Gordon seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

B. Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUP) – North Branch Pumping Station Funding Agreement

Shane Sorensen said the City had been working with CUP for several years to enable the delivery of CUP water to Alpine. The existing CUP waterline ended near the entrance to the Westrock gravel pit. The Central Utah Conservancy District had agreed to extend the water line to Alpine's boundary at their expense. Due to pressure in the aqueduct, Alpine City would need to construct a pump station. CUWD had agreed to participate in half the cost of the pump station. Shane Sorensen said the City was getting ready to bid out the Healey well and the pump station together. Once those bids were out, they would know the actual cost. The initial estimate for the cost of the pump station was one million dollars. He said this was a very favorable agreement and recommended the council approval it.

Lon Lott asked who would take care of repair costs. Shane Sorensen said the City would repair their own pumps.

MOTION: Jason Thelin moved to approve the North Branch Pumping Station Funding Agreement. Carla Merrill seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

C. 2010 Water Revenue Bond Refunding

Shane Sorensen said the City had funded the City's share of the PI metering project out of cash reserves. To avoid depleting the City's cash reserves by paying for the City's share of the CUP pump station, he recommended the Council refinance the PI Bond and add the cost of the pump station to the bond. With the currently reduced interest rates and by extending the life the of the bond, the City's bond payment would remain the same.

Shane Sorensen said they would be updating the water master plan and may want to add some other projects into the bond while the rates were low.

MOTION: Jason Thelin moved to refinance the 2010 Water Revenue Bond and add additional funds for the proposed North Branch Pumping Station Project as recommended by staff. Judi Pickell seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

VI. STAFF REPORTS

Chief Brian Gwilliam reported that Lt. David Boerner, who had been with the department for 24 years was retiring. The chief would be sending out an invitation to his open house. Jamie Brooks had been promoted to take his place. The department had also hired two new officers

Austin Roy asked the Council if they wanted staff to add in stealth language to the ordinance governing cell towers. It had been in the original ordinance but was taken out because they felt it was difficult to define and felt existing language was adequate.

Shane Sorensen said that some of the approved projects were underway. Altabank was working on relocating the sign at the bank.

VII. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Jason Thelin said the road in the Lambert Park was pushing a lot of mud and gravel out into the street. Shane Sorensen said they were going to put in a gravel bar to deflect the water out into the sagebrush. He said they were going to pave the road from the church up to the parking lot.

Jason Thelin asked if the City would be liable if there was an accident because of the Altabank sign. David Church said no. He said the City was more likely to get a claim because of the drinking fountain at the corner of Legacy Park which was on City-owned property and was in the sight triangle.

Troy Stout said there was a transportation folder in the Councilmembers' boxes with interesting information about growth and the transportation projects. A lot was happening.

Shane Sorensen said he'd met with UDOT with neighboring communities. They had applied for a grant to do a study on additional roads, which was approved. UDOT was going to look at having more exits off the commuter lane on SR-92. With the box culverts, they were unable to expand it to two lanes.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Lon Lott moved to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation. Greg Gordon seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

The Council went into closed session at 7:50 pm.

The Council returned to open meeting at 8: 45 pm.

MOTION: Carla Merrill moved to adjourn. Greg Gordon seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Jason Thelin	None
Greg Gordon	
Carla Merrill	
Judi Pickell	
Lon Lott	

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.