

ALPINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Alpine City Hall, 20 N. Main, Alpine, UT
October 25, 2016

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Sheldon Wimmer. The following were present:

Mayor Sheldon Wimmer

Council Members: Troy Stout, Ramon Beck, Roger Bennett, Lon Lott, Kimberly Bryant

Staff: Rich Nelson, Charmayne Warnock, David Church, Shane Sorensen, Jason Bond

Others: Jared Inouye, Barry Johnson

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Lon Lott moved to go into Executive Session for purpose of discussing strategy on pending litigation. Roger Bennett seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Lon Lott, Roger Bennett, Ramon Beck, Troy Stout voted aye. Motion passed. Kimberly Bryant not present at time of the motion.

The Council adjourned to closed session at 6:00 pm.

III. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council returned to open meeting at 7:15 pm.

A. Roll Call:

Mayor Sheldon Wimmer

Council Members: Troy Stout, Ramon Beck, Roger Bennett, Kimberly Bryant, Lon Lott

Staff: Rich Nelson, Charmayne Warnock, David Church, Shane Sorensen, Jason Bond, Chief Brian Gwilliam

Others: Loraine Lott, Carla Merrill, Mary Wimmer, Chuck DeWitt, Howard Cooper, Kristin Collins, Scott Collins, Kelly Shubin, Clay Shubin, Joel Teemart, Will Jones, Marla Rogers, Erin Tetro

B. Prayer: Troy Stout

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Scott Collins

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chuck Hewitt said he lived in American Fork and represented the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Every year they took a couple of treks and this year they went to Moyle Park where they had a dinner and were shown the movie "Only a Stone Cutter." He said they were really touched by the event and wanted to make a small donation toward Moyle Park. He thanked the City for maintaining Moyle Park and honoring John Rowe Moyle. He presented a check to the Mayor.

Chief Brian Gwilliam said he wanted to update the Council on a certain activity in the police department. People may notice some of the officers were growing facial hair and he wanted to explain what they were doing since the police department had a policy of no facial hair. He said that as the Chief, he decided to relax the policy on no facial hair for the purpose of raising funds to send a Utah Veteran on an Honor Flight back to Washington DC. Beginning on Halloween and running through February, any officer who wanted to grow facial hair would make a donation of \$20 a month toward the fund. Kimberly Bryant asked if they were going to extend that to the public and allow them to make donations. Chief Gwilliam said they were still deciding what they wanted to do.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve minutes of October 11, 2016

MOTION: Lon Lott moved to approve the minutes of October 11, 2016 as corrected. Ramon Beck seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Lon Lott, Kimberly Bryant, Roger Bennett, Ramon Beck, Troy Stout voted aye. Motion passed.

VI. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS: None

VII. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. High School Mountain Bike Teams and Lambert Park Usage: Sheldon Wimmer said that one of the concerns the Council had was the intense usage of Lambert Park by mountain bike teams from a number of different high schools. Rich Nelson had invited coaches from the various teams to come and talk about solutions and coordinate the usage in the park. Three coaches were present and introduced themselves. They were Joel Teemont who was the coach for the Lone Peak junior team, Clay Shubin was the assistant coach for the Lone Peak team, and Erin Tetro for the American Fork high school team.

Joel Teemont said he taught the younger kids how to ride safely and well. They came from the junior highs and middle schools that fed into Lone Peak High School. He said Lambert Park was great. It was close for kids who didn't drive. He said they looked forward to volunteering time to maintain the park and develop trails.

Troy Stout said that every coach he had talked to indicated they were willing to coordinate their usage of the park with other teams, and willing to pitch in and help with the maintenance. He said Lambert Park had been bearing the brunt of the usage but other communities such as Highland and Pleasant Grove were opening up spaces for mountain biking.

Erin Tetro said that the mountain biking season kicked off in July and the race season began in the fall. By the time July came around, the teams had a good idea of the number of participants so they could create a schedule for the rest of the season. He said that when they started the team several years ago, they had 9 kids. Now they had 90. It added up to a lot of kids using the trails so it was a good idea to know how many participants they would have when they planned a schedule. He said American Fork had three or four venues in their rotation. They couldn't have teams from the different schools showing up on the same day to ride so they had to set up a rotation. They wanted only one team in one location at a time. They set the schedule for the whole season at the beginning of the season.

Troy Stout said he would like to see a "use it or lose it" policy. If one team didn't show up on their assigned day for some reason, another team couldn't take that day. That way, the park would get a day off.

Sheldon Wimmer said that before July, he would like to have the coaches come in and talk with the City Administrator so Alpine City would have some input and be aware of the schedule.

Troy Stout said he would like to have better signage. There were some teams who were less aware of the rules and park etiquette. He asked specifically about signage for the down section of Rodeo. Will Jones said Carla Merrill's son was going to put up the sign.

Clay Shubin said they had adopted a new rule where bikers had to stop for both uphill and downhill traffic. They had an accident earlier that year that they didn't want to repeat. Erin Tetro said they had a lead rider for the group and a follow rider. Joel Teemont said they broke up the team into smaller groups so they didn't have 80 kids on a trail.

Lon Lott asked the coaches where the teams raced in the fall. Erin Tetro said they held races all over the state such as Eagle Mountain, Soldier Hollow, Snow Basin, Powder Mountain, Moab, Vernal. Lambert Park was only used for practicing, not racing.

Councilman Lott asked if there were private clubs who used the park other than school groups. Joel Teemont said that the younger clubs were divided by the schools the kids attended. They were not an official school team.

Kimberly Bryant asked if the City was going to allow only certain groups to use the park. Sheldon Wimmer said they had no restriction at the time. He was planning to suggest that everyone who wanted to use Lambert park should attend the June meeting. After that, it was locked.

Clay Shubin said it took a lot of parental support to transport the kids to practice. He didn't think they would see kids from area too far from Alpine using the park. Troy Stout said he'd seen kids there from Lehi, Pleasant Grove, American Fork, and the new Sky Ridge high school in Lehi.

Erin Tetro said it was a privilege to use Lambert Park. It was close to them. He asked the City to please utilize the coaches. They were more than willing to help with trail work and putting up the signs.

Troy Stout said Lambert Park was a tight space and it was also heavily used by the citizens. Most of them liked to ride early in the day. The high school teams may want to plan time later times to use the park. Erin Tetro said they typically practiced in the evening because kids needed to be transported to the park and most parents worked.

B. Ordinance No. 2016-22, Century Link Franchise Agreement: David Church said the utilities who use streets and public ways were required to have a franchise agreement with the city. In exchange the state legislature allowed the cities to charge a franchise tax. Alpine's agreement with Century Link had expired in 2008 and needed to be renewed. The Agreement governed how the City would work with Century Link when they had to do roadwork.

MOTION: Lon Lott moved to approved Ordinance No. 2016-22 accepting the Century Link Franchise Agreement. Roger Bennett seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Lon Lott, Kimberly Bryant, Roger Bennett, Ramon Beck, Troy Stout voted aye. Motion passed.

C. Fort Canyon Communication Approach: Shane Sorensen said he had been thinking about the best way to provide information to the residents concerning road construction in Fort Canyon. When UDOT had big projects, they had a public information specialist. He said Horrocks Engineers had a staff member than handled public information for construction projects. He had met with them earlier than day and discussed the Fort Canyon project. Horrocks said they would put a proposal together and bring it back so the Council could review it. It would include a website dedicated to information about the construction project. There would be a hotline with a person on the other end to field questions about the construction. The specialist would put information on social media and sent out texts and emails. They answered questions and dispelled rumors. There would be a major weekly update, and if something changed, there would be a daily update. One of the benefits was that all the information would be coming from one party. It would free up Alpine City staff to make sure the infrastructure was done satisfactorily. He said the bulk of the work in the canyon would begin in mid-March through next summer. The big thing they were doing this year was replacing the pipe in Fort Canyon. They had no timeframe, as yet, for that construction.

Rich Nelson said he thought it was a good solution to the problem. The developer would pay half the cost of the information specialist, which would be between five to ten thousand dollars. Shane Sorensen said they could pull the cost from different funds since it would affect water, sewer, etc.

Mayor Wimmer said the next meeting was scheduled for November 8th which was Election Day. He suggested they move the meeting to November 9th which would be a Wednesday.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

Jason Bond said he had met with the developers of Three Falls and the trail committee. They were working with Draper City to move forward with trail improvements in the open space.

Shane Sorensen reported on the following:

- A Right-turn lane on Canyon Crest Road. The funding was usually five years out but because it was a small project and it had been approved, they were going to move it up on the funding. Highland City wanted to wait until school was out before they started on it. Construction would probably begin in June. The financial commitment from the city was about \$13,000.
- The sign at City Hall was installed.

- He suggested they approach the proposed park maintenance building on 300 North the same way they did Creekside Park. In order to involve the public, they could hold a charrette and have citizens write down their ideas. Staff would take the information and develop a proposed site plan and bring it back to the Council. Then they would send out an RFP for architectural services.

Rich Nelson said the Justice Court Agreement between Alpine and Highland was coming up for review. He said they had some influence on how the cost was split, and recommended that they base it on the number of cases that each court handled. It used to be 50/50 then went to 60/40 since Alpine had fewer cases. He suspected it could go even lower.

Regarding his replacement, Rich Nelson said they had about 20 applications. He would pass out the resumes' of the applicants to the Council along with a ranking sheet. The Council would rank the candidates and they would narrow it to five candidates. The Council would interview all five candidate and background checks would be conducted.

Troy Stout asked if it would be appropriate for the Council to reach out to the applicants. Sheldon Wimmer said they should wait.

IX. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Lon reported that he had spoken to Robby at the Division of Natural Resources regarding the deer situation in Alpine. He said the DNR had requested funding. He had also spoken with Holly Nash who would create the education website. It would be an independent website with a link to Alpine City's website. He said he had also contacted another part of Natural Resources on projects that took place in Lambert Park who said they would match in-kind contributions so the City needed to keep track of work done in Lambert Park.

Kimberly Bryant said the Youth Council was holding a special dinner honoring the First Responders on November 3rd. She asked if the businesses were having Trick or Treating for Halloween. Rich Nelson said they were; the City had contributed \$500 to the event.

Ramon Beck asked if the food trucks were still coming to Alpine. There had been only one truck that week. Rich Nelson said they were through for the season.

Troy Stout asked what could be done about the skunks. Chief Brian Gwilliam said the Division of Natural Resources handled problems with skunks and other wildlife.

Sheldon Wimmer said residents around Alpine had received door-hangers about paving the road in Lambert Park. He said there was no plan to pave the road, and the City has no budget to do it. He said one of the things the City did have to do was improve section of the gravel road where it met Moyle Drive. According to fire code, the road had to be accessible by emergency vehicles year-round. He said the door-hanger proposed a new alignment for a second access road that came southward through Lambert Park. It crossed private land over which the City had no jurisdiction, and it crossed 13 trails. It couldn't be on forest service land so it wasn't really feasible. He said the Mayor's Message in the November Newsline would address the issue and hopefully clear up the misinformation.

Kimberly Bryant said she had talked to neighbors who said they had heard Council members say the paved road was a done deal.

Troy Stout said he was looking at it as a sequence of events. If the City annexed Lambert Park, they would end up paving the road.

Mayor Wimmer said they had no plans to pave it. They would probably put some kind of sealant on the road to keep the dust down and reduce erosion. Shane Sorensen said magnesium chloride was used in those circumstances and it worked well.

Regarding the composition of the Planning Commission, Mayor Wimmer said he was proposing to change the number of members from seven to five and have a quorum of three. The Planning Commission had canceled three meetings that year due to lack of a quorum and that was not acceptable. It was apparently difficult to get all seven

members to the meeting. He suggested that if a Planning Commission member missed more than three meetings, they were off the commission.

Sheldon Wimmer also reported that representatives of Alpine Cove had come to the City to request annexation. They had enough signatures and were working on meeting other requirements. If the Council wanted to discuss it, they could have it on the agenda for the November 9th meeting.

Melby was talking about developing in the county and changing their zoning which, if approved, would result in 32 lots on the Melby property north of Alpine Cove. If the Melbys did rezone, the only remaining properties that hadn't been rezoned were the Lehi and Fitzgerald properties, and a strip of land on the south end of Lambert park. He suggested the City take a proactive approach so they could manage what was done rather than the county.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kimberly Bryant said she would like to hold another executive session to discuss personnel.

MOTION: Kimberly Bryant moved to adjourn to closed session to discuss the professional character, conduct or competency of personnel. Troy Stout seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Kimberly Bryant, Troy Stout, Ramon Beck, Roger Bennett, Lon Lott voted aye. Motion passed.

The Council adjourned into closed session at 8:30 pm. They returned to open meeting and adjourned at 9:30 pm.