

Spring City Regular Council Meeting
July 5, 2007
7:00 p.m.

Attending: Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Larsen, Michael Black, Kaye Watson, Zach Barnes, James Mitchell, Pam Anderson, David High, Pete Howard, two were unknown.

Roll Call: Mayor Eldon Barnes, Councilmen Michael Workman, Bryan Sorensen, Boyd Mickel, and Gary Parnell. Thomas Allred was excused.

Expression of Choice: There was no expression of choice.

Public Comments

Bruce Larsen requested an easement from the city to install an irrigation line in the Packer Subdivision to his property.

Mayor Barnes inquired if the line came into city right of way would Mr. Larsen be disturbing the roadway. Mr. Larsen stated that he would not disturb the road, or any other utilities.

Mr. Larsen stated that he had obtained a permit from the city to dig. Councilman Mickel stated that the line should run close to the property line.

Councilman Mickel made the motion to grant an easement from the city to Mr. Larsen to install the irrigation line as long he meets all the city's requirements. Councilman Gary Parnell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All present were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Boyd Mickel made the motion to accept the minutes as amended. Councilman Michael Workman seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All present were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

Irrigation Company Proposal

Michael Black approached council with the proposal to keep a monitor at city hall. The monitor had been at the school but with stricter guidelines, the Irrigation Company was not able to keep it there longer. Mr. Black stated that it would monitor the Sevier River, Oak Creek, and canal water systems. Mr. Black stated that they would need a power connection, antenna, and Internet. Mr. Black stated that the Irrigation Company was willing to pay for the services it used.

Councilman Parnell stated that it would be a service for the citizens. Councilman Boyd Mickel made the motion to give the irrigation system a water monitoring station at city hall. Councilman Bryan Sorensen seconded the motion. Discussion was as follows:

Councilman Workman stated that the Irrigation Company should be charged for the space and services they used. Councilman Parnell stated that a minimum charge could be arranged. Michael Black stated that a solar panel had been installed at the school. Mayor Barnes stated that the minimum charge is set at twenty-two dollars per month. Councilman Mickel stated that the Irrigation Company would not even use five

dollars worth of power per month. Councilman Parnell stated that it was a public service. Councilman Mickel stated that it would help the community and the state to measure water out of the canyons. Councilman Parnell stated that the city should make an exception due to the important element of the community the irrigation company provided. Councilman Workman stated that five dollars per month could be paid by the irrigation company. Councilman Mickel stated that the Irrigation Company was a nonprofit organization. Mayor Barnes stated the information would benefit water users in the community. Councilman Mickel stated the city should not make a profit. Councilman Parnell made the motion to include the exact cost of services and maintenance. Councilman Mickel seconded the motion. The first motion died. There was no further discussion. All present were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

Resolution 2007-16, Fire District Fees

Mayor Barnes read the resolution in full. Councilman Michael Workman made the motion to accept the resolution to put in place fire district fees as presented. Councilman Boyd Mickel seconded the motion. Discussion was as follows:

Councilman Mickel inquired if it would change the fire district boundaries for the fire department. Mayor Barnes stated that the district would not change, the fee would go from \$2.00 per resident per month to \$3.00 per month. There was no further discussion. All present were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

Council Reports

Mayor Barnes presented a Solicitation Ordinance to council. Mayor Barnes stated that the ordinance was requested to be put in place by the city's insurance company. Mayor Barnes stated he would like council to look over the ordinance for the next council meeting.

Mayor Barnes reported that at the County Commission meeting there was a request that each city help fund hiring a detective. Mayor Barnes stated he was unsure of the cost, but believed it to be based on population. Councilman Workman inquired of the Mayor's opinion. Mayor Barnes stated he believed it to be in the best interest to support the county at professionalizing law enforcement. Councilman Parnell stated that he would like to know the cost. Councilman Workman stated that the county used the city's police officers to do detective work, but was willing to agree if it would benefit law enforcement in Spring City. Councilman Sorensen stated that the city should receive something for the money spent and was unsure if it would benefit the city. Mayor Barnes stated he would invite the sheriff to council meeting.

Councilman Mickel reported that the fire danger was extreme and a ban had been put out for fireworks. Councilman Mickel stated that the governor had placed restrictions on all fireworks in the state. Councilman Mickel encouraged all citizens to clean dry weeds 10 to 15 feet from any building. Councilman Mickel stated that the fire department charged \$300.00 up per hour to put out fires. Officer Barnes stated that he had gone with the fire chief and most of the citizens abided by the rules.

Councilman Parnell reported that Sally Scott had set up the 24th celebration. Councilman Parnell stated that Zach would provide security and law enforcement during

the celebration. Mayor Barnes stated that another part time officer would be there to help. Councilman Parnell stated that the soft ball game would be going on and that the nets would need to be put in place for protection of foul balls. Discussion followed concerning those who hit the ball over the fence. Councilman Workman stated that two or three people would be on the outside of the fence to catch any balls that might go over the fence. Councilman Parnell stated he would suggest this to Sally Scott. Pam Anderson stated that someone should be aware that there were kids that tried to climb the fence last year. Mayor Barnes suggested that a newsletter be created to inform the citizens.

Councilman Parnell stated that if the city bought the material Shaun Black would work on getting the BBQ stands repaired.

Officer Barnes reported he would like the city to consider an ordinance putting in place a closing time for the park. Officer Barnes stated that there were kids that were causing damage to the tables and the city grounds. Officer Barnes stated that there had been many complaints and criminal mischief problems as well as vandalism. Officer Barnes suggested that the park be closed at 10:00 p.m. Officer Barnes stated that there was no ordinance restricting skateboards or bicycles which meant that he could not enforce or cite those in violation.

Kaye Watson stated that there was a curfew set in city ordinance. Mayor Barnes stated that there was a curfew for the kids. Councilman Workman stated that supervised kids such as scouts be allowed in the playground. Officer Barnes stated that there were good kids just a few that needed to be reminded that there is a curfew.

Suspension Items

Mayor Barnes stated that there had not been any work done on the ordinances. Mayor Barnes stated that the Animal Ordinance needs to implement a fee schedule for the cost that the city incurs.

Councilman Mickel stated he had met with Judge Petersen for clarification on state laws. Councilman Mickel stated that the city laws could not be stricter than state laws. Councilman Mickel stated that there were many issues that needed to be addressed. Councilman Mickel stated that the seat capacity for riders stated no passengers and that people should not ride on racks. Councilman Mickel stated that there were problems with weekenders and local people. Councilman Mickel stated that parents are responsible to have helmets available for the ATV riders. Councilman Mickel stated that this included snowmobiles. Councilman Mickel stated that even if a husbandry permit was obtained the rider still needed to have a license. Councilman Mickel stated that a child 12 and under needed to be in visual site of the adult giving permission to ride an ATV. Councilman Mickel stated that it was the parents or owners of the ATV to insure that riders had education.

Kaye Watson stated that there were ATV's on main street. Mayor Barnes encouraged people to identify the people in violation so that Zach could give tickets. Kaye Watson stated that people do not know the ATV laws. Officer Barnes stated that citizens are required to know the law.

Councilman Mickel stated that a Public Hearing be conducted to get citizens opinions on the ATV laws. Pete Howard stated that if there were more classes more people would be aware about the city and state laws. Councilman Sorensen stated that there are classes conducted, but it is the city's responsibility to enforce the laws.

Mayor Barnes stated that he had met with the owners of the trailer court and they were going to cooperate to get water meters installed. Mayor Barnes stated that he had also signed an agreement with the city concerning utility bills.

Payment of Bills

Councilman Boyd Mickel made the motion to accept the bills as presented. Councilman Sorensen seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All present were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

Adjournment

Councilman Workman made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Mickel seconded the motion. All were in favor.