Minutes of the Price City Council Meeting

City Hall: Price, Utah

September 24, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Piccolo

Councilmembers: Kevin Drolc, Police Chief Miles Nelson Nick Sampinos, City Attorney

Rick Davis John Daniels, Human Resource Director

Layne Miller Lisa Richens-Finance Director Wayne Clausing Laurie Tryon, City Recorder

Gary Sonntag-Public Works Director Bret Cammans-Customer Service Director

Nick Tatton-Community Director

**Excused Absence**: Councilmember Hanna-Smith

Present: Norma Procarione, Bob Tanner, Scottie Draper and Michael Bryant

Mayor Piccolo called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called with the above Councilmembers and staff in attendance.

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comment was received.
- 2. COUNCILMEMBERS REPORT-The Councilmembers presented an update on the activities and functions in which they have participated.
- 3. SWEARING IN-The Oath of Office for Diana Wood as a new member of the Community Progress Committee and Bob Tanner as a new member on the Price City Library Board.
  - Diana Wood was unable to attend the meeting. The City Recorder provided the Oath of Office to Bob Tanner as the new member of the Price City Library Board.
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING-To receive input on the Price City Capital Improvement Plan and projects planned for submission to the Permanent Community Impact Fund Board (CIB) for grant and loan funding.

**MOTION**. Councilmember Nelson moved to open the public hearing at 6:24 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Miller and carried.

Prior to opening the public hearing, Nick Tatton reviewed the following CIB projects and applications for the City Council and for those in attendance at the hearing. Nick Tatton led the following discussion:

He stated that project #1 is the 400 North Sewer Line Replacements project, which is estimated to be \$600,000 in total funds, including the Price City funds and the CIB grant funds. He stated that the potential to combine the 400 N. Sewer Line Project with the 400 N. Water Line Project proposed for the following Price City fiscal year had also been discussed and reviewed. Mr. Tatton stated that if that were to happen it would make the overall project \$1.2 million with a \$600,000 Price City cash obligation and a \$600,000 grant request to CIB. While the project would span two Price City fiscal years, it would be one CIB application and project cycle. Mr. Tatton discussed the overall and individual project funding, cost estimates, scope and schedule in detail. He discussed the CIB grant application and the implication of not

receiving a grant to complete the project. He stated that a loan may be approved and offered by the CIB even though a grant was requested and applied for and without a CIB grant the project may not be able to be completed as the cost is in excess of what Price City may be able to afford. He discussed that if a loan was received from the CIB instead of a grant that other necessary capital projects or purchases would need to be eliminated to accommodate the expenditures. Mr. Tatton stated that impact to the public, if a grant is received will only be positive, if a loan is approved, then the public impact may be the inclusion of an additional cost on the utility bills to recover the loan costs, ranging from approximately \$1 to \$5 per month per utility connection, per month depending upon the rate and term offered by CIB for the financing. Mr. Tatton discussed the sewer and water systems, Modified Adjusted Gross Income calculations with the City Council and it was determined that Price City is too close to the maximum affordable sewer and water rates to use debt financing for the project. He continued to state that no sources of user fees or special assessments are available to pay for a loan if that is what is received. He stated that he did not recommend that property tax be increased to pay the cost of a loan for the project.

Nick Tatton discussed the second project, the Desert Wave Pool Bubble and Air Handling System, estimated to be \$525,000 in total project expenditures including Price City funds and CIB funds. He discussed the project funding, cost estimates, scope and schedule in detail. He discussed the CIB grant application and the implication of not receiving a grant to complete the project as a loan may be approved even though a grant was requested and applied for. He stated that there is no capacity within the ZAP tax program or other city funds to service debt for the project. Without the CIB grant funding, the project or another project would need to be eliminated to fund this one. He stated that the project is very important and the current equipment is in a state of stress and prone to frequent failure and it is feared that a catastrophic failure may occur and result in closure of the facility. No sources of user fees or special assessments are available to pay for a loan if that is what is received. It was not recommended that property tax be increased to pay the cost of a loan for the project. He stated that this is phase 1 of 3 phases of capital improvements necessary at the pool facility planned to take place over the next 5-6 years and the other two phases are planned to include the use of ZAP tax and CIB grant funding applications at the respective time-frame as well. Nick Tatton introduced Michael Bryant, AOG, Regional Planners attendance in the public hearing.

Councilmember Clausing asked Nick Tatton if he thought the requests were strong enough projects to receive a grant. Nick Tatton stated that the sewer request is a strong project for a grant and will take higher priority than the pool request but that both projects are needed and worthy of a grant. Michael Bryant stated that the CIB is

trying to put excess money into the seven (7) County Coalition Fund and they are being a bit more frugal in order to add money into that fund which may impact the grant requests. No additional comments were received from the public. **MOTION**. Councilmember Miller moved to close the public hearing at 6:35 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Clausing and carried.

- 6. RESOLUTION 2014-19. Consideration and possible approval of An Annual Resolution Establishing the Multi-Year Price City Capital Improvement Plan.

  MOTION. Councilmember Miller moved to approve Resolution 2014-19. Motion seconded by Councilmember Clausing and carried.
- 7. RESOLUTION 2014-20. Establishes a policy to form a Price City Forestry Board. The intent is to formalize what the City staff is already doing, in managing the trees on City property and in the public right of way. The resolution fulfills the requirements of the City's eligibility to continue with: Tree City USA and the Utah Community Forestry Partnership Grant application. The board will review City trees and tree programs. Gary Sonntag stated that this board will not have a budget will review policies and serve in an advisory capacity. MOTION. Councilmember Davis moved to approve Resolution 2014-20. Motion seconded by Councilmember Nelson and carried.
- 8. ORDINANCE 2014-003. Requirements to maintain, free of weeds and debris, the park strip and adjoining areas in the public right of way that borders a street. Replace Ord. 88-001 (1987) repealed (2011). Councilmember Davis stated that he has reviewed the new and the old ordinance. He stated that he doesn't like repealing ordinances to replace them with new ones. The City Attorney stated that it is good to read ordinances so that everyone understands why the changes are necessary. Mayor Piccolo stated that this ordinance states that Price City owns the property but that the occupant of the home is responsible for the maintenance of the park strip. MOTION. Councilmember Clausing moved to approve Ordinance 2014-003. Motion seconded by Councilmember Miller and carried.
- 9. FRIENDS OF COAL-Coal & Fossil Fuel Rally-Possible sponsorship/advertisement. Mayor Piccolo reviewed the sponsorship costs for the Friend of Coal rally event and stated that Price City doesn't have the money available to become a gold or silver sponsor. Councilmember Davis stated that Carbon County is planning to donate \$30,000 to this event and the rally organizers are looking for a number of sponsors in order to pay for more keynote speakers etc. to create a great rally event. Mayor Piccolo stated that Rocky Mountain Power has refused to sponsor this event and he is not sure what Price City should do or if the rally is even in the right marketplace for this type of event when there are other states that supply more coal than Utah. He stated that if the City knew what changes a rally could bring to the area, such as saving the Carbon Plant then it would be worth it. He stated that he wants to help and he understands the importance of coal to the area but he just doesn't know what the results will do for the area. Lisa Richens stated that the only amount we could donate is \$500.00 because that is all the City has in its sponsorship/advertising account and

any donation above that amount would require a public hearing. **MOTION**. Councilmember Miller moved to purchase a bronze sponsorship for \$500. Motion seconded by Councilmember Davis. Councilmember Davis questioned the \$500 and asked Councilmember Miller why he chose that amount. Councilmember Miller stated that he chose the amount that the Finance Director stated the City could donate without a public hearing. Nick Tatton stated that when other requests come to the City during the year, the City will have to decline all requests as the budgeted funding is now gone. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA-Councilmember Miller moved to approve consent agenda items 10 through 18. Motion seconded by Councilmember Nelson and carried.

## 10. MINUTES

- a. September 9, 2014
- 11. PEACE GARDENS- Authorization to place crosses and a banner at the Peace Gardens for Domestic Violence Awareness Month for the month of October.
- 12. POLICE DEPARTMENT-Authorization to trade surplus firearms to Salt Lake Wholesale Sports in exchange for police ammunition and equipment.
- 13. POLICE DEPARTMENT-Authorization to donate two outdated surplus emergency light bars to the North Springs Shooting Range for the law enforcement section of the range.
- 14. POLICE DEPARTMENT-Authorization to apply for and accept a grant to purchase Automated External Defibrillators Devices (AED) for police cars and the Police Department building. The State of Utah has established a fund, administered by the Utah Department of Health-Bureau of Emergency Medical Services for the purpose of assisting police agencies to purchase AED's. The grant pays for 75% of the purchase price with a 25% City match.
- 15. BUSINESS LICENSES- Authorization to approve a Business License for Gray Matters Counseling, PLLC at 23 So. Carbon Ave, Suite 5 and Matsuda Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine at 874 E. 100 N.
- 16. STREET CLOSURE REQUEST. Consideration and possible approval of closure of 200 N from Carbon Avenue to approx 25 W for Notre Dame Oktoberfest, October 3,4, 2014.
- 17. EASEMENT. Consideration and possible approval of an easement for the reconfiguration of the parking lot at the Utah National Guard Armory at 600 N and Veterans Lane.
- 18. TRAVEL REQUEST:

  <u>John Daniels-</u>Turning Point Conference, Deer Valley, Utah October 2-3, 2014

(Benefits and Retirement)
<a href="Bob Bennett-ICC">Bob Bennett-ICC</a> Code Training, West Valley City, Utah, October 28-30, 2014

## 19. WATER RESOURCES-Update by Gary Sonntag

• No algae bloom in the water treatment plant this year as in the past which is great news.

## 20. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Recycling-
- Trying to purchase a recycling trailer for Carbon High School
- Next meeting Oct. 9, 2014

The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. by Mayor Piccolo pursuant to the motion by Councilmember.

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
Joe L. Piccolo, Mayor	Laurie Tryon, City Recorder