

## Minutes from Emery Town Council March 10, 2021

Members present: Amy Sundstrom, Pat Sundstrom, Lindsay Edwards, Mike Christensen, Sam Payne

**Public Hearing called to order at 6:04 pm;** US pledge of allegiance recited.

**Minutes from February 10, 2021** Town Council were reviewed. Sam requested that the comment re: Kent Wilson 'advising' on 640 acres of BLM land be struck from the minutes. Pat made a motion to approve the minutes with Sam's amendment; Sam seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

**The Open Invoice report** was reviewed. Pat made a motion to approve payment all open/unpaid invoices; Lindsay seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

**Mayor Amy Sundstrom** reported that Emery will be holding our annual **Pioneer Day Celebration** this year and that the theme will be "Small Town Big Heart."

Additionally, she noted she has been working on the **CIB grant** for the Pioneer Church; that revisions are nearly complete; and that the Association of Governments has given its blessing.

CRSA, the engineering firm currently working on the Pioneer Church, has quoted a **permanent fix of the foundation** and its supports at \$290,000. Having received many bids on the project reflects well on the committee performing due diligence in planning the restoration.

**Council Member Sam Payne** confirmed that he will be taking a look at the **budget** and relevant budget comparisons in the upcoming weeks.

A discussion was held regarding a **reduction in AUMs** this year and citizens' concerns around that reduction. He and the other council members agree that Emery Town, if it acquires the land, has **zero interest or intent in making cuts** to animal grazing on those lands. Sam will seek clarification from the BLM.

**Council Member Lindsay Edwards** was happy to announce that the Pioneer Church has been awarded a **BEDL grant** in the amount of \$250,000.

**Council Member Mike Christensen** clarified the conditions for the Jorgensen family's **permit to connect to sewer and water stub outs**. Mayor Sundstrom confirmed that the Jorgensen's have properly demonstrated intent for permanent building and are in the process of securing permits.

In regards to **United Minerals'** request to rezone the area surrounding their offices to 'Light Industrial,' Mike has communicated protocol to United Minerals.

**Council Member Pat Sundstrom** reported that nothing of note occurred in the last **CVSSD meeting**.

He has been speaking with various **dog owners** throughout town to ensure all citizens are aware of the impact their dogs are having on the community and proper protocol to keep all people and dogs safe.

**There was no old business to discuss.**

New business was introduced:

1) **Fire Chief Justin Childs** may be required to move out of Emery as early as the beginning of April, 2021, thus he will be **seeking a new Fire Chief** to replace him. Also, he will be conducting **firefighter trainings each Tuesday** to ensure that all new recruits are fully trained prior to his departure. With regards to that, if anyone has **old cars to donate** (for practice using the jaws of life), the fire department will gladly accept them.

2) This year's **Pioneer Day** is considered a "**Reunion Year**" which generally draws large crowds. Planning for festivities will begin right away.

Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Lindsay seconded it. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm.**

Minutes approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
date

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Amy K. Sundstrom – Mayor

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Liberty Mason – Municipal Recorder