

Minutes from Emery Town Council April 14, 2021

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

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm; US pledge of allegiance recited.

Minutes from March 10, 2021 Town Council were reviewed. Lindsay requested the minutes be amended to more accurately reflect the current status of the acquisition of the 640 acres and its relation to a reduction in AUMs. Sam made a motion to approve the minutes with Lindsay's recommended corrections; Mike seconded. Amy: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

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

Mayor Amy Sundstrom reported that after an automobile accident, Council Member **Pat Sundstrom** has been hospitalized, but is in stable condition. She noted that his **recovery** may take some time and that a substitute needs to attend CVSSD meetings in Pat's place. Lindsay volunteered to attend CVSSD meetings until Pat is able to resume.

The Mayor's advisors suggested that she increase the amount of money requested for the **CIB grant** – they've advised her that it is in the town's best interest to apply for enough funding to complete the Pioneer Church renovations rather than to seek funding for individual steps in the process. Thus, Mayor Sundstrom will be **reapplying** for the CIB grant at the beginning of June. In the meantime, funding from the CBDG grant is sufficient to continue the work currently being done on the church.

Justin Childs, the Fire Chief resigned, and Mayor Sundstrom has appointed **Scott McClaghry as the new Fire Chief**. The Town Council unanimously voted to ratify this appointment. Chief McClaghry has already began making improvements, recruiting and training volunteers; and is taking inventory of needs to address.

Municipal Elections will be held in November. There will be three open positions: One for Mayor, and Two for Council Members. The Town Council discussed which Council Seats will be open; and then unanimously voted to contract with Emery County to have County Officials administer the elections.

A roundtable discussion was held regarding planning for this year's **Pioneer Days celebration**. Several ideas were discussed and Lindsay volunteered to gather some preliminary information regarding events, vendors, and raffle items. A Pioneer Day planning committee will be formed to make concrete plans.

Liberty Mason has submitted a **30-day resignation** from her position as the **Municipal Recorder**. Following a "promote from within" protocol, Cheryl Johnson has been offered an advancement into the position. Once Cheryl accepts or declines the advancement, a job posting for the open position (whether Recorder or Treasurer) will be posted.

Council Member Sam Payne reported that his **review of the budget** is pending. Mayor Sundstrom's review is in progress.

Council Member Lindsay Edwards informed the Council that all of the **Town's Flower Planters have been assigned** and that the local LDS Young Women and Young Men groups will be performing a "cleaning and beautification" project through the town and cemetery.

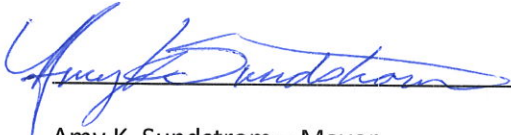
Council Member Mike Christensen presented a request from a citizen for **zoning approval for the installation a septic system** on a 'landlocked' piece of property within city limits. After discussion among Council Members it was decided that before approving or denying the request, more information was needed from the CVSSD. Mike will do the legwork to gather the necessary information and contact the property owner.

Council Person Sam Payne made a motion to change the **Town Council Meeting time** from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Mike seconded. The council voted unanimously to approve the time change.

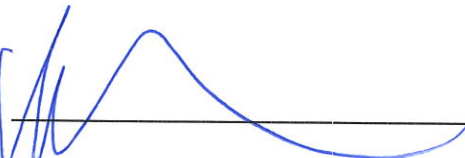
Lindsay made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mike seconded it. Amy: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Minutes approved: 5/12/2021
date



Amy K. Sundstrom – Mayor



Liberty Mason – Municipal Recorder