# River Heights City

### COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

# Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the River Heights City Council will hold its regular council meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the River Heights City Office Building at 520 S 500 E.

Opening Remarks (Thatcher) and Pledge of Allegiance (Wright)

Adoption of Previous Minutes and Agenda

Reports and Approval of Payments (Mayor, Council, Staff)

**Public Comment** 

Appointment of City Recorder and Treasurer

Discuss Council Member Assignments

Discuss and Approve Changes to City Meeting Schedules

Appoint a Planning Commission Member to Replace Chris Milbank

Discuss City Building Rental Policy

Discuss Raising Sewer Rates to \$48.10 Beginning February 1

Adjourn

Posted this 9th day of January 2020

Sheila Lind, Recorder

Attachments for this meeting and drafts of previous meeting minutes can be found on the State's Public Notice Website (pmn.utah.gov).

In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this meeting should notify Sheila Lind, (435) 770-2061 at least 24 hours before the meeting.

# River Heights City

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3	Council Meeting							
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5	January 14, 2020							
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7	Descents	Mayor	Todd Rasmussen					
8 9	Present:	Council members:	Doug Clausen					
10		Council members.	Sharlie Gallup					
11			Chris Milbank					
12			Blake Wright					
13			Diake Wight					
14		Recorder	Sheila Lind					
15		Public Works Director	Clayten Nelson					
16		Treasurer	Wendy Wilker					
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18	Excused: Councilmember		Elaine Thatcher					
19		Finance Director	Cliff Grover					
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21	Others Presen	t:	James Brackner, Luke Diamond, Journalism Student,					
22			Heather Lehnig, Cindy Schaub					
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25		The following mo	otions were made during the meeting:					
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27	Motion #1							
28			to "adopt the minutes of the council meeting of December 10,					
29	2019 and the evening's agenda." Councilmember Wright seconded the motion, which passed with							
30	Clausen, Gall	up, Milbank, and Wright in	favor. No one opposed. Thatcher was absent.					
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32	Motion #2	ilm amb an Olassan an ann i A	"" - " - " - " - " - " - " - " - " - "					
33	Councilmember Clausen moved to "pay the bills as listed." Councilmember Wright seconded							
34	the motion, which passed with Clausen, Gallup, Milbank, and Wright in favor. No one opposed.							
35 36	Thatcher was absent.							
30 37	Motion #3							
38	Councilmember Clausen moved to "approve the councilmember assignments as noted."							
39	Councilmember Gallup seconded the motion, which carried with Clausen, Gallup, Milbank and Wright							
40	in favor. No one opposed. Thatcher was absent.							
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43	Proceedings of the Meeting:							
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. <b>45</b>	The River Heights City Council met at 6:30 p.m. in the Ervin R. Crosbie Council Chambers in the River Heights City Building on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 for their regular council meeting.							

Opening Remarks and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Rasmussen opened the meeting with some information for the new councilmembers. He said he likes to be upfront and honest. He is always willing to talk and take advice. He reminded that the policies they decide on are not only for the current residents, but the future ones as well. Councilmember Wright led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Previous Minutes and Agenda: Minutes for the December 10, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

Councilmember Clausen moved to "adopt the minutes of the council meeting of December 10, 2019 and the evening's agenda." Councilmember Wright seconded the motion, which passed with Clausen, Gallup, Milbank, and Wright in favor. No one opposed. Thatcher was absent.

Reports and Approval of Payments (Mayor, Council, Staff):

# Public Works Director Nelson

- They have fixed a water leak on 350 South, which they will fight all winter. They can't patch it because of the snow, but have filled it in. They will block off this section of road through the winter. Discussion was held on the number of leaks on this line. Mr. Nelson said the pipe is ductile iron, which is good. He's not sure if it's a bad batch. While digging this time, they found the groundwater is level with the pipe, which may have something to do with the frequency of leaks.
- He has a meeting set up with Engineer Rasmussen on Thursday to discuss possible shop
  options in the Old School. They will also meet with a developer who wants to discuss sewer
  installation at a property located at 800 South 600 East. They will also discuss the 400 South
  road project, which is ready to go out for bid, except for dividing it into smaller projects.
- Councilmember Wright asked about plans for the Old School. Mayor Rasmussen said they are looking at options for a shop. He also needs to get with the Opera Company to inform them they need to start moving their stuff out of the Old Church. He would like to offer them use of one of the rooms in the Old School, which they would rent, to help offset the utility costs. Councilmember Clausen informed they have set aside money for a shop on the capital expenditures list. Mr. Wright had heard there is an audiologist in the Old School, who would like to stay for another year. The school district has told Mayor Rasmussen that the building will be vacated by the end of May. Mr. Nelson said he and Engineer Rasmussen will look at the building structure to see if a shop is even possible.

Finance Director Grover was absent.

# Treasurer Wilker

- She and FD Grover have finished up the W-2s and mailed them out. They are not yet finished with the 1099s for the vendors.
- She asked to meet with new councilmembers Milbank and Gallup to go over their budgets and the procedure for approving bills. They agreed to do this after the meeting.
- She asked Mayor Rasmussen to clarify who were listed as signers at the bank. Mr. Rasmussen thought Councilmember Wright was still listed, as well as himself, Councilmember Clausen and FD Grover.
- She presented and answered questions regarding the list of bills to be paid.

Councilmember Clausen moved to "pay the bills as listed." Councilmember Wright seconded the motion, which passed with Clausen, Gallup, Milbank, and Wright in favor. No one opposed. Thatcher was absent.

Councilmember Thatcher was absent.

# Councilmember Milbank

• He has met with past Councilmember Wilson to receive information about the parks.

 • Mayor Rasmussen reminded council members that they can disseminate information during the week by email, but they can't have discussions until open meetings.

### Councilmember Clausen

• He asked Mayor Rasmussen if there were any proposals turned in for the Old Church. Mr. Rasmussen said there was one from Tony Johnson, which the city attorney has looked over. He will get the RFP out to the council for their review. They will either accept it or counter. Mr. Johnson proposed a \$200,000 purchase price, with a renovation into residential units. The discussion will be on a future agenda.

Councilmember Gallup didn't have anything.

# Councilmember Wright

• The planning commission is nearing the end of the revisions to the general plan. He projected they will hold a public hearing in about a month. He will have the draft reviewed by the city attorney and engineer before the hearing. After all the input has been received, the commission will pass it to the council. He encouraged the council members to attend the commission meetings to find out what is being proposed.

Recorder Lind didn't have anything

Mayor Rasmussen didn't have anything.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Jim Brackner asked if the city has had any feedback on how the proposed tax law would affect River Heights City. Mayor Rasmussen said he will meet with House Representative Casey Snider tomorrow and find out.

Appointment of City Recorder and Treasurer: Mayor Rasmussen appointed Sheila Lind to continue as the city recorder and Wendy Wilker to continue as the city treasurer. Councilmember Wright pointed out this is done to follow city code. The council agreed to these appointments.

<u>Discuss Council Member Assignments:</u> Mayor Rasmussen announced the council assignments as follows:

Blake Wright: Planning and Zoning

Sharlie Gallup: Community Affairs, Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety

Doug Clausen: Water and Sewer Chris Milbank: Parks and Recreation

134 Elaine Thatcher

Elaine Thatcher: Roads, Sidewalks, Lighting and Storm Water

Councilmember Clausen offered to work with Councilmember Thatcher on roads. Mayor Rasmussen stated they will all work together, but the one in charge will be responsible and over the budget.

Councilmember Clausen moved to "approve the councilmember assignments as noted." Councilmember Gallup seconded the motion, which carried with Clausen, Gallup, Milbank and Wright in favor. No one opposed. Thatcher was absent.

<u>Discuss and Approve Changes to City Meeting Schedules:</u> Mayor Rasmussen proposed trading meeting times with the planning commission since the County and other cities meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. He has run into issues with trying to make it to other meetings because of the conflict, especially Cache County. He asked for other suggestions. No one had any.

The Council agreed to move their meetings to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. The planning commission will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, starting in February.

Councilmember Wright reminded, since the meeting schedule is listed in the city code, it requires a public hearing and adoption by ordinance. This will be held at the next meeting.

Appoint a Planning Commission Member to Replace Chris Milbank: Mayor Rasmussen discussed the difficulty in choosing a new member when there are two good candidates. His faith has a big influence on the way he makes these decisions. He suggested appointing Levi Roberts to serve on the commission. The council was agreeable. Levi Roberts stated he has always been interested in being involved with city government. His listed some of his qualifications, one of which is being a certified planner. He also has a masters degree in regional planning. He's lived in River Heights for 3 years and would like to stay.

Mayor Rasmussen stated that Mr. Roberts would be taking over Chris Milbank's seat, which expires in January of 2022. He reviewed that Cindy Schaub's term expired in 2019 and she has agreed to another 5 years (2014). Lance Pitcher's term expired in 2020 and he is interested in staying until 2025.

<u>Discuss City Building Rental Policy:</u> Mayor Rasmussen informed there is a local scout troop who need a place to have their meetings. He has told them they could use the city building. Some of the scouts are from River Heights. He doesn't want to charge citizens of River Heights to use the building. He has considered allowing residents and employees to use the building for free, as long as it's available. He still agreed to requiring a deposit. He would also support a non-profit group using the building, if they have a good cause. He, as the mayor, could make the determination.

Recorder Lind discussed the difficulty in answering questions from those wanting to rent the building, when the rules may or may not apply to certain groups.

PWD Nelson said the reason for charging rental a fee is for them to unlock and lock the building back up, which usually happens when they are on overtime. He wished the building were off limits to rent at all. There are filing cabinets out downstairs and offices that could be broken in.

Commissioner Milbank suggested it could be available for free if the group wanted to use it during the hours the office was open. After hours could require a fee.

Councilmember Clausen suggested giving Mayor Rasmussen power to override the agreement. Councilmember Wright suggested the mayor could work with Councilmember Milbank outside of the council meeting and bring their suggestions to the next meeting.

<u>Discuss Raising Sewer Rates to \$48.10 Beginning February 1:</u> Councilmember Clausen asked for a discussion to gather other councilmember's opinions. Last year FD Grover notified him that the sewer revenue was not keeping up with expenses. There is a plan in place to increase the rate by10% each year to cover Logan's fees. It turns out that River Heights has more expenses than they had realized. He handed out statistics, which covered 2017-2019 and pointed out the unpredictability of

the gallons used. He proposed a 20% increase this year and not a raise next year if the revenue is able to keep up. (The current rate is \$38.10) In two years the five-year contract with Logan City will be up. He would also like the whole sewer system inspected to find out if there are infiltration problems, which they could address.

PWD Nelson ran some numbers and informed that a raise to \$42.11 should cover the budget for this year. He divided the total sewer budget by the number of connections. He informed, to camera the system will cost about \$40,000, which isn't in the budget. If they find infiltration, they will need to decide how much they want to spend to fix the problem areas. Depending on the depth of the sewer line, it may be cost prohibitive.

Councilmember Clausen expressed frustration with why the fluctuation in usage. PWD Nelson explained that rain storms make a huge difference with output, due to sewer manholes and infiltration. He said his water numbers and sewer usage numbers are comparable each month.

Mayor Rasmussen felt it would be prudent to look at the system and fix what they can.

It was discussed that currently, the sewer budget has a lot of money in it, but the water budget is struggling. FD Grover has suggested trying to equal the two funds by, spending down the sewer fund, and raising water rates, or transferring the sewer money to the water fund. Mr. Clausen would like to check with the League to see what other cities have done.

Councilmember Milbank suggested charging residents for actual expenses. He liked the idea of running a camera and taking care of some of the infiltration. Mr. Nelson explained they have run a camera in certain areas over the years. He said it's a good idea to do the whole system every 6-7 years. He pointed out that several other cities have installed their own sewer meters and they all coincided with Logan's.

Councilmember Wright said he'd like to advocate for the citizens and suggested raising the rate by half of the suggested raise and then some again next year. He supported the idea of getting the system cameraed right away.

Mayor Rasmussen brought up another option, to spend down the sewer budget and not raise rates.

Councilmember Milbank didn't like the idea of eating into the city's reserves.

Councilmember Wright said cities similar in size to River Heights, are generally not as fiscally sound as our city. He would like to minimize the hit, but also believes citizens should pay for what it costs the city.

They agreed to hold a public hearing to discuss and adopt a raise.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Todd A. Rasmussen, Mayor

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River Heights C	City Bills To Be Paid						1/14/2020			
Payee	Description	Admin.	P&Z	Parks/Rec	Pub. Safety	Com. Aff.	Roads	Water	Sewer	Total
Bear River Health City Of Logan Daines & Jenkins	Water Coliform Testing Annual Fire Prevention Attorney Fees-Water Trmt, Grama, Anders	\$930.00			\$33,949.00			\$40.00		\$40.0 \$33,949.0 \$930.0
Freedom Mailing Intermountain Traffic Safety, Inc. Petty Cash South Fork Hardware	Bill Processing Signs Miscellaneous Items 4/12/18 - 01/07/20 City Office Repairs	\$143.77 \$52.08 \$51.59				\$16.31	\$891.52 \$22.50	\$95.86 \$32.80	\$14.00	\$239. \$891. \$137. \$51.
South Fork Hardware Thomas Petroleum Fuel Charges Xerox	Office building repairs Fuel For City Vehicles Copier Usage	\$13.26 \$27.38		\$107.98			\$107.99	\$107.99	\$107.99	\$13.3 \$431.5 \$27.3
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Page 1 SubTot	als	\$1,218.08		\$107.98	\$33,949.00	\$16.31	\$1,022.01	\$276.65	\$121.99	\$36,712.0

# River Heights City 520 South 500 East 435-752-2646

# **Building Use Policy**

Group Representative*:	Phone #							
Address:								
Email:								
Reservation Date:** Hours:***	_ # of People: (40 max)							
*Must be at least 21 years old, a resident of River Heights and be present during the entire rental time.  ** The building is NOT available for rent on Thanksgiving, December 24, 25, 31 or January 1.  *** The building is available to rent between 8:00am and 9:30pm. Be specific on the hours you'd like since someone will open and close the building for you.								

River Heights City is dedicated to serving its citizens and allowing them to use the City Building. In order to maintain a secure and well maintained facility the following Building Use Policy has been established and must be followed.

# Deposits, Fees, and Cancellations

- Building use is for River Heights' residents wishing to use the building for personal events, such as family gatherings, socials, or private club meetings.
- Deposit and fees not paid prior to 5 days before the reservation may result in forfeiture of the reservation.
- A credit card deposit and rental fee will be required.
- A cancellation less than 3 days before reservation may result in a forfeit of the rental fee. The deposit
  is still refundable.
- The deposit may be returned within 10 days after the inspection verifies that no building or property damage has occurred, that no City property is missing, there has been no violation of the rental agreement rules, and the facility is left clean and in orderly condition. River Heights City reserves the right to withhold all or part of the cleaning deposit for any violation of this rental agreement or for any costs incurred to the city.
- Any damage over the deposit amount will be charged to your credit card.
- Deposit refunds will be applied back to your credit card. You will receive a receipt by email.
- Failure to be out of the building or facility on time may incur an additional fee, which will be withheld from your deposit or charged to your credit card.
- Fees will be assessed as follows (credit card only):

Deposit \$100

Building use fee: \$ 50 (first 5 hours)

Additional Hours \$ 25/hour

#### **Building Use**

- No use or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs will be permitted in or around the City Building.
- Smoking is not permitted on City property.
- Maximum Occupancy is 40 people.
- Organizations using the building must use only those areas for which pre-approval has been granted.
- Organizations are responsible to leave the building as clean and organized as when they found it.
- A vacuum will be available in the kitchen, however, cleaners and rags will not be provided.
- Children are welcome at the City Building but must be under the direct supervision of responsible adults at all times.
- Trash must be disposed of and can be placed in the dumpster at the end of the driveway, east of the tennis courts. Extra liners will be provided in the bottom of the can.

# **Lost or Stolen Property**

- The City of River Heights will not be responsible for the loss or damage of equipment, personal belongings, or other items owned or used by the organization using the building.
- Items left for more than 60 days will be utilized or discarded as deemed proper by city staff.

#### IN THE EVENT OF A BUILDING ISSUE CALL CLAYTEN NELSON AT 435-213-6948.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions listed in this policy. Failure to abide by this agreement will result in the loss of reserving privileges for the City Building in the future. I understand that River Heights City assumes no responsibility or liability for accidents or injuries arising from activities conducted at the City Building. I agree to pay for damages that occur to the facility, including costs exceeding the amount of the deposit.

I have received a copy of the Building Renting Guidelines.								
Signature	Date	Staff Initials						
Office Use Only	,							
Rent Paid:	Date:							
Deposit Paid:	Date:							
Deposit Refund Amount:	Date:							

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May-18	6.3370	6,777,000	2.05	\$13,892.85	6.777	-,,	0.27	\$1,438.02	\$35.00	\$12,391.32
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Oct-18	4.5670	4,760,000	2.26	\$10,757.60	4.76	2,021,000	0.27	\$1,357.29	\$35.00	\$12,753.31
Nov-18	4.2560	4,567,000	2.26	\$10,321.42	4.567	4,567,000	0.27	\$1,285.20	\$35.00	\$12,077.80
Dec-18	3.7730	4,256,000	2.26	\$9,618.56	4.256	4,256,000	0.27	\$1,233.09	\$35.00	\$11,589.51
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Mar-19	5.7550	5,668,000	2.26	\$12,809.68	5.668	5,668,000	0.27	\$1,519.29	\$35.00	\$14,271.31
Apr-19	6.6080	5,755,000	2.26	\$13,006.30	5.755	5,755,000	0.27	\$1,530.36	\$35.00	\$14,375.04
May-19	6.7450	6,608,000	2.26	\$14,934.08	6.608	6,608,000	0.27	\$1,553.85	\$35.00	\$14,595.15
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.9	4.7030	6,130,000	2.26	\$13,853.80	6.13	6,130,000	0.27	\$1,821.15	\$35.00	\$17,099.85
Aug-19	4.8780	4,703,000	2.26	\$10,628.78	4.703	4,703,000	0.27	\$1,655.10	\$35.00	\$15,543.90
Sep-19	4.7300	4,878,000	2.48	\$12,097.44	4.878	4,878,000		\$1,269.81	\$35.00	\$11,933.59
Oct-19	4.6820	4,730,000	2.48	\$11,730.40	4.73	4,730,000	0.27	\$1,317.06	\$35.00	\$13,449.50
Nov-19	4.1360	4,682,000	2.48	\$11,611.36	4.682	4,682,000	0.27	\$1,277.10	\$35.00	\$13,042.50
Dec-19	3.6470	4,136,000	2.48	\$10,257.28	4.136	4,136,000	0.27	\$1,264.14	\$35.00	\$12,910.50
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<sup>\*\*</sup>Note the Sewer Collection should be \$0.27/1000 gal for Jul-17 but was billed and listed on this sheet as \$0.41/1000 gal \*\*Valley Wide Increase in Flow starting in Apr-17