



**Parowan City Council Meeting  
December 8, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.  
Parowan City Council Chambers  
35 E 100 N, Parowan, UT 84761**

**Elected Officials Present:** Mayor Mollie Halterman  
Councilmember David Burton (via cell phone)  
Councilmember Sharon Downey  
Councilmember Matthew Gale  
Councilmember Jim Shurtleff  
Councilmember Rochell Topham

**City Staff Present:** Dan Jessen, City Manager; Christian Jones, City Attorney; Callie Bassett, City Recorder; Stacy Gale, Deputy Treasurer; Heather Shurtleff, Deputy Recorder; Chief Addison Adams; Carol Cable, Visitor Center Hostess

**Public Present:** See attached sign in sheet.

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order:** Mayor Halterman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Opening Ceremonies:** Seth Fotheringham offered the invocation. He then led the council and the public in the pledge of allegiance
- 3. Declaration of Conflicts with or Personal Interest In any Agenda Items:** No conflicts were declared.
- 4. Approval of Meeting's Agenda**  
**MOTION:** Councilmember Topham moved to approve the agenda with the removal of agenda item 18, *Hard Surface Definition in PC Municipal Code*.  
**SECOND:** Councilmember Gale seconded the motion.  
**VOTE:** All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.
- 5. Public Comment:** There were no comments from the public.

**CONSENT MEETING**

- 6.** Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2022 and the Town Hall Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2022
- 7.** Approval of Warrant Register for December 8, 2022
- 8.** Approval of Financial Statement for November 2022
- 9.** Approval of Notice of Annual Meetings for 2023

**MOTION:** Councilmember Gale moved to approve the consent agenda items 6-9.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Topham seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilmember Burton asked for clarification on the payment for engineering services to Rosenberg Associates for \$965. Heather Shurtleff explained that this was a re-issued check. The first check was never received, so a stop payment was made and the check was reissued.

**VOTE:** All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

**ACTION MEETING**

- 10. Crosswalks and Children Crossing Around School Perimeter Neighborhood Streets: Matt and Kenzie Dyches**

Kenzie Dyches said her son was almost hit by a car in the crosswalk on 100 North by the elementary school. The driver was a young high school student. There was not a crossing guard present. They are very concerned that there be a consistent crossing guard at that location.

The Dyches offered some suggestions to help bring attention to pedestrians crossing:

- Flashing lights
- Solar powered flashing lights
- Hand held flags
- When a crossing guard is going to be absent, alert the school so they can send out a text to parents.
- Cultivate a list of parents who would be willing to volunteer.

Dan Jessen said the city needs to put together a committee to do a review, see how UDOT can help, and put a system in place. He said by the next city council meeting they will have a system in place and will give their report. He added that there are a lot of solutions that don't cost a lot of money. Educating the public and especially the PHS students is also key.

PHS Student Body President Daisy Dunlap added that the Driver's Ed teacher puts reminders on the morning load speaker announcements. She said they will try to manage that better as well.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Shurtleff moved to establish a committee headed by the city manager and made up of members of the city council and the community to ensure there are crossing guards at the schools crosswalks and to investigate financing for lights, cones, or other safety measures as necessary.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Gale seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

#### **11. ATV Trail to Brian Head: Dan Jessen**

Dan said that Mike Worthen, the county's natural resource manager, has been all across Iron County designating ATV trails. They have been working with Brian Head and Parowan to create a route up the canyon. They received a grant from the state for signage for that route. They just need the cooperation from Brian Head and Parowan City. The majority of the trail is not inside the city proper.

Dan explained the designated trail route as it impacts Parowan City:

- The trail starts at the mouth of the canyon on the west side of the road. (This trail already exists.)
- It continues up by the Frisbee golf course, crosses down through the wash and goes up.
- At one point it crosses the highway to the east side of the road by the Parowan creek.

Dan said there is one area where the trail impacts the city the most, and that is where it comes right up along the forebay. This was a potential problem. Kelly Stones was consulted. He originally asked that they make sure that it is well signed and that no cars or trucks could drive down it. Mike came back with a signage plan that was acceptable to Kelly and he is good with the trail. He said he talked to Mike about putting a sign right off of the Yankee Road, and he was good with that. Dan said from the forebay on, the designated trail is the highway.

The mayor asked for council approval to move forward with this trail project. The concern from the council was regarding the part of the trail that is the highway. Dan said that Mike sent him some

information regarding this. He said in order to travel on state highways, the state mandates that all ATV's and side-by-sides be street legal. As of the first of next year, the state is requiring all ATV's and side-by-sides to be registered and licensed. They are requiring anyone who is driving an ATV or side-by-side to go online and take the education course. They must show proof of certification from that course.

Chief Adams said this is HB180 that takes effect January 1<sup>st</sup> and will be enforceable in February. It will require anybody operating an ATV to complete an online education course that takes about 15 minutes to complete. Anybody that is under 18 and does not have a driver's license will also have to complete a skills course and carry certification. Every new ATV registration and every re-registration will be issued an actual license plate instead of stickers. He said there are some other enforcement issues they will have to handle that will be enforceable by community service hours. There will be a learning curve involved with this new process.

Dan said that people are recreating more and more with ATV's, and the city needs to get out ahead of this, support it, have good management and good education, and have designated trails for them, or it will become the wild west again and will be harder and harder to manage and enforce.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Downey moved to approve and install the signage up the ATV trail going up the canyon as designated on the trail map.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Gale seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

## **12. Council Vote to Apply for Money for Pickleball Courts from the County TRCC Fund: Mayor Halterman**

Mayor Halterman said she was made aware that the restaurant tax money that comes through the county and is generally used for facilities is now available. She did some brain storming to see what facilities the city needs that would be within reach and demand driven, and would bring people into town to eat at Parowan's restaurants. She said she keeps hearing about pickle ball and pickleball programs, especially here in southern Utah and feels this might be a great opportunity for the city.

In 2017, the city had the engineering plans for pickleball courts drawn up. This grant doesn't necessarily require a financial match. The match can be in kind. She was able to get one cost estimate for construction of pickleball courts that came in at \$392,000. The biggest expense is the tension concrete. There are several options on where to build courts. The deadline to submit the grant application is tomorrow. There is a committee review in January, which would give the city more time to put things in order. They are looking at 6 regulations courts of about 40,000 sq. feet with removable netting. They could look at installing basketball goals and utilizing different striping. With this amount of courts they would be able to hold tournaments. They have also talked to Principal Bailey to see if they could use this money towards their multi-purpose facility to enhance that project.

Councilmember Shurtleff expressed concern that the council was not given advance notice to discuss this in a work meeting. He said they are the custodians of the citizen's funds, and if they vote against this because they haven't been given enough time to discuss the information, it makes the council look like they are against the city, which they are not. He said they have been put in an unfair position.

Mayor Halterman said the council could hold off and look at it again next year. She said she wasn't even sure the committee would consider pickleball courts, and when she found out that they would, she felt like it would be negligent to not even try for the grant. Dan added that technically, the council's

approval of a grant comes when it has been awarded. He agreed that it is important that the council be informed of what grants are being applied for.

Councilmember Downey said there are things that need to be considered, and she doesn't want to apply for a grant, have it awarded, and then turn it down. That would make the city look bad for future applications.

The Mayor and Dan also said another option is that this grant money could go towards the multipurpose room at the high school to help make it a more versatile facility. This would not be owned by the city, but an MOU for use could be drawn up between the city and the school. Dan said the money is controlled locally and there is a high level of flexibility with it.

Patti Vesely said wind would be a factor at the Lion's park. Kenzie Dyches asked if that money could be used for the pool or a rec center for the kids. The answer was yes, in the future. Jessica Smith asked that the council consider lighting the courts so there won't be limitations on when they can be used. Carol Cable said that pickleball is not just for seniors. It is for anyone who wants to be active. Daisy Dunlap said that it would be very cool to have something available to do for the youth.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Gale moved to table this item at this time. He said they need more information and time to make a decision and would like to revisit it at a later date.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Shurtleff seconded the motion

**VOTE:** Councilmembers Shurtleff - Aye

Councilmember Gale - Aye

Councilmember Downey - Aye

Councilmember Topham - Nay

Councilmember Burton -Nay

The vote was 3-2 in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **13. Council Vote on Sales of Fundraising Bricks for the "Save the Old Rock Church" Renovation Project: Dan Jessen**

Karen Miller, Tom and Liz Zaleski, Ken Lambertsen, David Burton, Jim Shurtleff have done a lot of work on this project. They need a committee to spearhead the sale of these bricks. They have met with the company that creates and sells them. They named the project "Save the Old Rock Church: Brick by Brick Save Our Heritage." They selected the font for engraving the bricks, as well as the color and size of the bricks. The price points are \$150 for a 4"x8" brick and \$300 for an 8"x8" brick. Dan said if we don't do this fundraiser and come up with the necessary funds to renovate the old rock church, it will not be around much longer. This building is becoming more and more unsound, specifically the roof. If it were to collapse, we would not be able to bring it back. We need to get going on this now and raise the funds, or the building could be gone.

Dan said the City owns the church. They took it over when the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was going to tear it down. Councilmember Shurtleff said that the city has allocated money for the architectural design. One of the top restoration architects in the state is involved with this. The DUP has worked tirelessly to get this done. He said we have to save this building or it is going to fall in on itself. He said the collection of artifacts by the DUP inside the rock church is worth millions and has to be saved. The idea for the bricks is to have a pathway from the rose garden to the veteran's monument and around the rock church.

The Heritage Foundation (which is a 501(C)) will be the steward of the funds until they are ready to move on the restoration, at which point they will give the money to the city. The cost estimate for the restoration is \$2.5 million. This fund raiser will be the primary funding mechanism. They also are having a discussion about major donors, and perhaps doing memorial benches for those types of donors. The city will continue to go after grants, but in all of those situations, they want to see large community support, involvement, and matched dollars.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Downey moved to approve the sale of fundraising bricks for the “Save the Old Rock Church” project.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Gale seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **WORK MEETING**

#### **14. Update on PHS/Parowan City Resolution: Kim Bailey, Principal PHS**

Daisy Dunlap, PHS Student Body President, thanked the council for the support the town has given them in all their events. Sydney Smith, Sr. Class President, thanked the police department and local businesses for their support during their homecoming parade. They had a very successful Halloween celebration and activities in the Main Street park. They had a lot of kids participate. Matilee Sudweeks reported on the Veteran’s Day program and thanked the city for providing charcuterie boards as refreshments for the veterans participating in that program. She also reported on the Thanksgiving Day luncheon and thanked those councilmembers who were able to attend. She said in the future, they will try to get invitations out sooner so more people can attend.

Councilmember Shurtleff said that the Veteran’s Day assemblies was one of the best he has ever been too. It means so much to the veteran’s. He gave a heartfelt and emotional thank you to the students.

Mr. Bailey thanked the student body for doing an excellent job representing Parowan and the spirit of community. He said they couldn’t have put on that assembly without the help of the community. There were many, many people who spent countless hours researching the names of veterans and helped the high school update their information. These things are important, and that is why the high school is doing what they are doing. They want Parowan to be successful, the kids to be successful and they want to build community. He revisited the resolution to resolve to be True RAMS, which is to find ways to work together and support each other, to help educate and inform the public about our roles and responsibilities, and to look for ways to build community spirit and community servants to make Parowan strong.

Mr. Bailey reported on the Santa Flight which was awarded to Parowan Elementary School. 24 Pilots from Angel Flight West delivered over 8,000 pounds of gifts and supplies to the kids. This is a once in a life time experience. The National Guard 222 Battalion helped bring the gifts back to Parowan Elementary. He said this is one of those amazing things that happens once in a lifetime, and our kids were able to participate in that.

The high school is working on a Penny Drive, where they collect money to give to the city to help those in need. They are also working on Parowan’s birthday which is coming up. Every year he asks how can they improve this and how can they get everyone involved. We celebrate together but want to know how we can improve together.

Mr. Bailey said it is important to recognize people at these programs. He would like to recognize the PHS Girls Volleyball Team for their accomplishment this year. He said the police signs on Main Street really catch people's attention with their clever messages. The Mayor said she is surprised that the luncheon after the birthday celebration very well attended. Perhaps they can work on getting more people to the luncheon. Councilmember Topham suggested that we advertise better for this. The mayor would also like to see more people at the citizen of the year presentation at the Aladdin theater.

Mr. Bailey told the council that a number of people have approached him and asked why we don't have youth sports programs run through the city. He said those programs usually feed into his high school programs. He would like to work together to start planning and building some of these things for when they have their new multi-purpose building. He said we can have an MOU for facility use. He said there is obviously a pecking order, but he feels they can do some things to help the city with their programs. He said the school district has the bulk of the facilities, and they want to be able to work together. He doesn't want to look back at past issues, he wants to look towards the future and work together to bring these programs to the city. Mr. Bailey said this is an opportunity to have some dialogue about having a community youth program that is hosted by the city and can we work together as a city and school district to help support that program.

Dan said our ordinance states that we will have a parks and recreation department. He said the first thing to do for the city would be to form a committee and involve Jet Smith in that conversation. He said in order for a good recreation program to work, volunteers are a must. Coordination has to be done, and it is tough to be done by a committee, but you have to have a committee who is steering it, generating ideas, can address and resolve concerns, and can go out and beat the bushes at the end of the day. Mr. Bailey said that parents would love to have programs here in town so parents can keep their kids in town and also keep their dollars here in Parowan. This will continue to build Parowan strong.

Dan said the next steps for the city is to establish a committee and have that committee start making recommendations to the council. They need to look at hiring someone or designating someone, and have a plan in place. He said you need to have a committee in place that is empowered and works, but doesn't go rogue. It has to be designed correctly so it is functional.

#### **15. Upcoming Land Use Seminar: Dan Jessen**

Dan encouraged all the council to attend this program. He said this is a great class. It is scheduled for January 11, 2023 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the council chambers. This is also open for the public to sign up for.

#### **16. Extended Stay at Painted Hills RV Park: KC Jones**

Mr. Jones gave a brief update on the RV park. They finally got their equipment and the power has been turned on. They hope to be open soon.

Mr. Jones said he met with the Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss some talking points. They would like the code to be changed from the maximum stay of 14 days or to allow a conditional use permit that would allow stays of up to 180 days. They have found that a large number of customers would like to stay longer than 14 days for various reasons: they are building a home and need a place to stay; they have temporary employment and need a place to stay; they are working at Brian Head and

need a place to stay; or they need a home base for traveling. They are losing business to other cities who don't have restrictions on the length of stay.

Mr. Jones said this isn't something that they particularly want to do because their financial model is based on the higher nightly/weekend space rental. They are looking at using 25 – 30% of their spaces to be available for long-term stays. These would be located on the west side nearest the freeway. He said in their policies and rules they would have very specific rules for longer term stays. They researched other cities in the area and most cities do not have any restrictions for long term stays. Enoch limits stays to 180 days, the other communities do not have any restrictions on extended stays in their RV parks. He said the recommendation from Planning & Zoning would be to modify the verbiage of the ordinance, but also to allow conditional use permits for long term stays in RV parks. He said he would like to understand what the council's concerns are regarding long term stays and what the process would be to progress towards making that change.

Dan said that RV parks are permitted (allowed) in certain zones. The maximum stay of 14 days is hard coded in the ordinances. He said the conversation was to get rid of the 14 days, but make the use a conditional use. So RV Parks would go from a permitted use in the zones they are allowed in, to a conditional use. He said in the conditional use process, they would put restrictions on that park. He said you have to be somewhat careful on this, because they have to be able to identify a negative impact that is now being mitigated with a conditional use permit.

Attorney Christian Jones suggested that they leave RV Parks as a permitted use, but change the limit of the stay from 14 days to 29 days to take advantage of the transient room tax. He said they could add the conditional use to the RV park ordinance that could say anything over 29 days would have to meet certain requirements, and have mechanisms in place to make sure they are following the conditional use permit. He said, for example, if there are people that are just playing hop-scotch from one space to the next, that could be a reason to pull the conditional use permit. He said there was discussion of having a 30-day cooling down period.

Mr. Jones said they do not want to have permanent residents. They are not going to allow any permanent structures, and will have policies specific to that. They also don't want the hop-scotching either, where they just move a renter to the next space after their 180 days. He did say, however, they don't want to tell a customer after 180 days that they can't ever come back, especially if they are good customers.

Councilmember Gale suggested having a maximum 180 day stay, and then perhaps allow them to come back for a shorter stay.

Dan said, to be clear, where it stands as of right now is this is land use code Title 15. The planning commission has made a recommendation to have a public hearing and to review the code, and has given a positive recommendation and provided language to modify the code. At the end of the day, this is a legislative decision as to how this should be handled.

Councilmember Shurtleff said he just wants to make sure that the city is held harmless and they aren't losing out on the TRT tax. He said he doesn't want long-term stays to turn into permanent residences. He said permanent residences are not allowed in the highway services zone. Dan said the beauty of the conditional use permit is that if conditions aren't being met, the permit can be pulled. Permits are given on a case by case basis to mitigate any negative impact on the city or the citizens, which must be

quantifiable and real. Dan said the code needs to be modified in order to use the mechanism of a conditional use permit.

Heather Peet apologized to Mr. Jones for a dig that she made in the planning and zoning meeting. She said it was not appropriate, and apologized for that. She wanted the council to know that planning and zoning did vote on a positive recommendation, but the vote was not unanimous. She voted against it. She said her concern is that Mr. Jones is asking for the rules to be changed for this type of business before they are even open and how their business is going to impact the town.

Mr. Jessen explained the process of the public hearing. Larry Zajac, planning commission chairman, said after the council has the public hearing and has adopted the amendments to the code, the applicant would then go back to the planning commission to request the conditional use permit. The commission would consider the restrictions and mitigations. Once they have made a recommendation it would go back to the council for approval.

Heather Peet said her understanding of conditional use permits is that the conditional use permit stays with the property. Larry said that if a property changes hands, the conditional use permit can be reviewed and changed. Councilmember Shurtleff said that it says in the ordinances that conditional use permits can be reviewed at any time.

The public hearing will be scheduled for January 12, 2023.

#### **17. Water Ordinance Changes: Dan Jessen**

Dan said when the water ordinances were changed in February, not all of the verbiage that needed to be removed was removed, so they need to be fixed. Language needs to be changed in Title 7 and Title 14. This went to the planning and zoning commission. We will advertise this with the public hearing to be held in January. They are going to remove all references to a “water development fee.”

Councilmember Shurtleff said the water board was concerned with the ambiguity still in the ordinance. They added that a developer must bring in ground water with priority date prior to 1949, but they forgot to remove the part that a developer can buy water from the city. He said the city doesn’t have water to sell. This verbiage needs to be cleaned up. Dan said this makes growth dependent on the water that is available in the aquifer. We can’t outgrow the aquifer as long as this is the policy. He said the county has also recently adopted code that says any subdivision in the county must show the county as part of their subdivision requirements that they have sufficient water that is good for 50 years. This is a natural constraint on growth and helps protect the valley.

**18. ~~Hard Surface Definition in PC Municipal Code: Larry Zajac~~** – This item was tabled until a later meeting in January.

#### **19. Reports, Updates, Old Business Follow Up – Elected Officials and Staff:**

**Councilmember Shurtleff** reported on the airport board meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup>. They had a telephone conversation with Judd Hill from Armstrong. They went over the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) for the Parowan airport. They are currently online for the major runway rehabilitation. This is a significant project, costing \$2,868,000. This will start this fiscal year, and they will start bidding this out in February 2023. Most of the money comes from the FAA. Parowan’s portion is \$134,000 that is already budgeted and earmarked. Councilmember Shurtleff gave an update on the SWCA subcontractors of Armstrong Consultants. They had a biologist determine and it is official that there are



deer on Parowan's airport. This actually opens up a ton of money for Parowan's airport. He said had we not gotten that designation, the money that we had hoped to get to put up a wildlife fence would not be there.

Councilmember Shurtleff said that with the recent installation of the vitro tower system, there is an app you can pull up on your phone that shows every plane in the sky around you. Dan added that this helps the FAA monitor our air traffic and helps them understand how utilized Parowan's airport is. It helps justify their continued financial support. Councilmember Shurtleff said that Mick Lauer told him this will help blow our usage numbers through the roof. Airport funding is based on use, so this will be very beneficial to the airport.

**Councilmember Gale** reported that they did not have a quorum for Economic Development. The power board met. From the power board meeting, he reported that Parowan had to buy a lot of power on the market in September (\$125K worth) because a lot of the power plants are shut down and it was so hot in August and September. We do, however, get a break on the price because we are part of UAMPS. The Hunter power plant is down because they had a fire in one of the coal shafts. They are stock piling coal for the summer months so there will be enough. This is a concern and it could get worse when they start shutting power plants down. Power board also discussed the city's tree ordinance and who is responsible for trimming trees. They are looking at making a tree policy.

**Councilmember Downey** reported on the Power Board meeting. Their rate study should be done by the end of the month. They discussed tree trimming. Jeremy Franklin said other cities require residents to trim their own trees in their backyards. She said part of the problem with getting coal is the power plants can't get drivers to drive trucks or trains to deliver the coal.

Dan said he has been trying to get up to speed as fast as possible to make sure he has his head firmly wrapped around this very important utility that Parowan manages. He went with Jeremy to the IPA annual meeting. We are an owner in IPA. They have the IPP plant, which is coal, and they have already secured \$800 million dollars with very favorable bond circumstances, to do the IPP Renewed project. This is basically transitioning the plan to natural gas. He said coal is getting more and more regulated and harder to get, so the IPP plant is converting over to natural gas. They are also looking at clean hydrogen, where they store the hydrogen in salt caves. Dan gave Jeremy kudos for representing Parowan so well. He said he is one of the better power supervisors because he knows his stuff. We are in good hands and are well managed.

Councilmember Downey said they are going to start taking the tile off the library roof to start working on it. She also proposed that the planning and zoning meetings be streamed each meeting. The last meeting was streamed and she appreciated it very much. Dan said the more information we can get out to the public, the better.

**Councilmember Topham** reported that PHS did a wonderful job on the Veteran's Day program. She said that Jenifer Terry reported that the variety show for Christmas in the Country was fantastic. Christmas in the Country had a great turn out. All the vendor spaces were sold out. She said that the Sub for Santa program is in full swing. Distributions start tomorrow morning.

**Councilmember Burton** didn't have anything to report. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and he prays that everyone will have a prosperous, productive, and a great new year. He hopes everyone will be healthy.

**Dan Jessen** reported that a group of concerned citizens requested a meeting, so they held an ad hoc committee meeting which included public safety, Justin Dalley from the parks department, the Mayor, Councilmember Burton, and himself. He said with the recent water in the Meeks pond, there were some people that were out there messing around – walking on the thin ice, throwing construction material into the pond, and a bunch of other dumb stuff. He said people are concerned that someone is going to fall through the ice. The decision was made administratively to put up some signs at Meeks pond that say something to the effect, “Urban Fishery. Fishing allowed. No swimming. No boating. Do not walk on the ice. No abandoning animals including fish, fowl, anything.” Then it has a legal disclaimer, which Justin Wayment signed off on. They posted three signs. They also put one up at the Forebay. They discussed having public safety drive by often to keep an eye on it and also possibly putting up cameras. This situation needs to be managed well.

Dan also reported that Bowen Collins should be done with the water portion of the master plan by the end of the year. They will provide a draft version of that which they will share with the city council. They will then shift to finishing the sewer portion of the master plan. This will be what the impact fee study will be based on. They have also applied for a grant to update the master transportation plan, which hasn't been updated since 2002. The feasibility study was approved at the last council meeting. Since then they have been made aware that there are companies that will do the study for a lot less. He is waiting on their bids.

**Mayor Halterman** reported that she, Dan, Chief Adams and Judy Schiers held an ordinance enforcement meeting. They created a list of complaints and ordinance violations they have been made aware of. They are going to meet twice a month to begin with. There are situations where codes need to be enforced, but violators haven't been noticed with a certified letter. The city doesn't have any legal repercussions until that happens. There are aspects of the process that need to be dialed back into, for example there need to be three written nuisance complaints before taking action. There also needs to be a follow up mechanism so they can start managing the ordinance enforcement better. She said they could have two councilmembers involved if they want to. The meetings will be every other Wednesday at 8 a.m.

The mayor attended an Outdoor Recreation Grant Workshop. Nancy Dalton was there. They worked on grants for some of the trails for Parowan. One of the resources available to cities is to have access to a planner. These services are free. She said our community would like to see better trail connectivity in this area. She said this was a very productive meeting. Dan said he is on the Patchwork Parkway Committee, which is part of the National Scenic Byway. Nancy has written a grant to start work on Hidden Haven. It is a state park, so in the end it is up to them, but it is good to have people encouraging the state to get the work done.

The mayor said there is a groundwater management meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parowan High School Auditorium. She said this is a very important meeting and encouraged everyone to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the development of a ground water management plan for Parowan Valley. Dan added that this will be the final public hearing on the draft plan before it becomes the official plan. He also said that the state engineer has moved on the dates of the curtailments. This is huge. They are going to require metering, including points of diversion. This will impact many.

The mayor mentioned that they are continuing to clear trees off the mountains in our county. She will have the information letter posted on the website. She also talked about the amazing experience the

elementary school kids had with the Santa Flight. She said the children will never forget this once in a lifetime opportunity. She reported that the Frisbee golf signs and maps have been put up at the city park. They look great. This is a fun recreational amenity for the community. Dan said our public works guys were able to fix the roof. He said we have great public works employees. The mayor also presented a great idea to the council. She would like to purchase triage ribbons that can be used by the citizens in emergency situations. They can be tied to the front door of homes to indicate if help is needed. Green means everyone is ok. Yellow means medical attention is needed. Red means immediate help is needed. It would be an easy program to put into place for the city.

**20. Closed Session (UCA 52-4-204 & 205) to discuss one or more of the following (if necessary):**

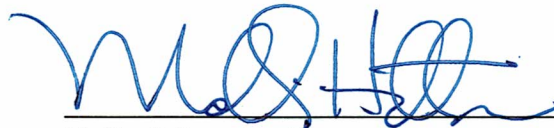
No closed session was held.

**21. Adjournment:**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Topham moved to adjourn the meeting.

**SECOND:** Councilmember Gale seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** The Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 pm.



Mollie Halterman, Mayor



Callie Bassett, City Recorder

Date Approved: Jan. 26, 2023