Naples City Council
September 12, 2024
Minutes

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF MEETING

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Naples City Council was held September 12, 2024, 7:30 p.m., at the Naples City Office, 1420 East 2850 South, Naples, Uintah County, Utah.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTENDING

Council members attending were Dean Baker, Robert Hall, Dan Olsen, Ross Morton, Andrew Bentley and Kenneth Reynolds.

OTHERS ATTENDING

Others attending were Lincoln Woodward, Harley Parks, Amara McNeill, Brittany Schlosser, Brooks Jones, Willis LeFevre, Nathan Simper, Szeth Simmons, Ryan Cook, Micheal Davis, and Nikki Kay.

OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Baker welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. He began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and Ross Morton offered the invocation.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Baker presented the agenda for approval. Robert Hall **moved** to approve the agenda. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting aye.

MINUTES APPROVED

The minutes of the regular city council meeting of August 22, 2024 were presented for approval. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve the minutes of August 22, 2024. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

FOLLOW UP ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Mayor Baker asked if anyone had anything they wanted to follow up on from the previous meeting. Nothing was brought forward.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

The bills presented to the Council were in the amount of $60,238.67. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve the bills in the amount of $60,238.67. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye

Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Andrew Bentley	Aye

REQUEST FROM NAPLES PTA

Brittany Schlosser, President of the Naples PTA, came before Council with a request that she forgot from the last meeting. Ms. Schlosser said they are going to have a Fall Festival on the first of October and invited them to come and experience what they are doing at Naples School. Ms. Schlosser said they were able to create their yearly budget and they will be voting on that at their next meeting. She brought a copy of the budget to share and pointed out the different categories. Ms. Schlosser said they have avenues they are looking at to raise funds but was asking if the Council could consider donating $1,000 to the Naples PTA. She stated the Council could be specific about which category they wanted funds to go into if they would like. Councilman Hall said the City has funds already set aside in the budget for the PTA and it is a set amount because they have other groups that come and ask for sponsorship. Councilman Hall said the amount is $400. Councilman Bentley asked how much was in miscellaneous. Micheal said they have $1,600 budgeted. Councilman Bentley said he would support making a motion to approve up to a thousand. Councilman Morton said he would rather split the difference at $700 because it is early in the year and there might be other requests. Councilman Bentley felt like anyone else asking for sponsorship from here on out might be making a profit on what they are doing where this request would be strictly to support the students. Councilman Reynolds said that's true but felt $700 would be fair and he **moved** to approve $700. Robert Hall **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Andrew Bentley	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Robert Hall	Aye

Ms. Schlosser said she really appreciates it and will be back in a few months with a report on how they are using the funds.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPROVAL

A business license application from **The Valley Early Bird Shack** was given to Council for their approval. The business is located at 1408 W Hwy 40. The business was recommended for approval by Dale Peterson, and it has been inspected by the Fire Marshall. Robert Hall **moved** to approve the business license contingent upon receiving the sales tax number. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

CONSIDERATION FOR AND ADOPTION OF A PARAMETER RESOLUTION NO. 24-358

Council members received a copy of Resolution 24-358, a resolution authorizing the issuance of sales tax revenue bonds. The resolution was to cover the increase in the amount requested from the CIB for the 2500 South canal project. The resolution also calls for a public hearing to be held October 10, 2024 to receive input with respect to the issuance of the bonds and any potential impact to the private sector from construction of the project. Councilman Olsen had Micheal explain the project and the loan request to the students in attendance. He explained the loan request and the process for asking money from the CIB for the 2500 South canal piping project. Councilman Hall asked if the residents on 2500 South have been or will be notified of the construction. Micheal said BHI should do that but he'll call and make sure. Robert Hall **moved** to adopt resolution 24-358 and to set a public hearing for October 10, 2024. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Andrew Bentley	Aye

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR ASPHALT REPLACEMENT AT CITY OFFICE

Szeth Simmons reported he requested bids to replace some of the asphalt in the city office parking lot. He stated the asphalt on the west side of the office is failing. Szeth stated he only received one bid and it was from Hacking Paving in the amount of $19,485. Szeth was asking for approval to have the parking lot repaired. Councilman Olsen asked if he had the money in his budget. Szeth said he did. Dan Olsen **moved** to accept the bid in the amount of $19,485 and proceed with the project. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting aye with a roll call vote:

Andrew Bentley	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye

Robert Hall	Aye

APPROVE ROAD SALT EXPENDITURE

Ryan Cook presented two bids to the Council for the purchase of road salt. Ryan said he is trying to get ready for winter and asked companies to bid on hauling road salt to the City. Ryan stated that Searle Trucking came in with a lower bid per ton to haul the salt. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to approve the bid from Searle Trucking. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Andrew Bentley	Aye

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE SHARED EXPENDITURE FOR MASTIC MELTER APPLICATOR

Ryan Cook asked for Council to consider expending funds to purchase a Mastic Melter machine. He stated the machine is made for filling cracks over two inches wide. He said it is more durable than crack seal and the machine fills and levels the material at the same time. Councilman Morton asked if this would be something they will be sharing? Ryan said he has been talking with Clint at Vernal City and they discussed how expensive it is to rent one and it would be too expensive to buy a new one, but maybe they could combine resources and buy a used one together. Ryan said Vernal was good with it if they could get an agreement put together. Ryan said Mr. Harrington didn't want to draw up the agreement, as he works for both entities. Ryan said they went online and found an agreement and Mr. Harrington said it should work. Ryan had the price of three machines they have been looking at and the costs were between $54,000 and $77,000 for a used machine. Ryan stated he felt comfortable entering into an agreement with Vernal. Councilman Hall asked about the repair costs and Councilman Bentley asked about the custody part. Ryan felt those were all things that could be worked out with the agreement and asked if they would approve up to $40,000 for the purchase of the machine and he would bring the agreement back to them. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to approve up to $40,000 for the applicator. Robert Hall **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Andrew Bentley	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye

Ross Morton	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Robert Hall	Aye

APPROVE THE SURPLUS OF POLICE DEPARTMENT PROPERTY

Chief Simper told the Council they have WatchGuard cameras they just pulled out of their vehicles and Uintah County is interested in purchasing those five cameras. Chief Simper asked for approval to surplus the cameras and to sell them to Uintah County. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve the surplus of the in-car Watch-Guard cameras. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

DISCUSSION ON SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Chief Simper came before the Council to discuss HB 84. He stated the bill focuses on school safety and the need for each school to conduct a safety needs assessment and determine what kind of armed school safety personnel they are going to have for the school. Chief Simper stated the options are to have a guardian in the school who would be part of the staff, hire a security entity to come in, or to use a school resource officer (SRO). Chief Simper stated the School District has approved more money for an SRO and they are trying to see if they can get additional money that would help cover the cost of what it would take to hire an additional officer with salary and benefits. Chief Simper said the guardian program has been selected by other schools and they have failed. He also said that teachers do not want that responsibility. Chief Simper told the Council that they did not have to make a decision right now but he wanted them to be aware of what was coming. It was discussed that the City's current department is six men and they would need to dedicate one person for 50% of the time to the school. Chief Simper stated if they hire an additional officer the City would be responsible for the other half of the salary for the officer. Councilman Hall said he was not sure he was comfortable with the other two options but wondered if there were enough applicants out there to fill the position of another officer. Chief Simper reported he did have three viable applicants that he would have considered hiring with the last round of interviews they had. Councilman Hall said he would like to see the City be able to come up with another officer. Councilman Bentley asked if the School District is hoping to be able to take on the full cost of the SRO and if they have a time frame. Chief Simper said they are looking at two years. Councilman Hall asked if $60,000 for a new officer is an option for the City right now. Micheal said revenues have been up slightly but they did take a dip last month. Councilman Hall asked if Micheal would be willing to look at the budget and see if they could make it work. No action was taken.

DISCUSSION ON PARK TRAIL PARKING LOTS

Micheal wanted to update the Council on the park trail and the parking lots. He said they have started the process for the project but only for the right- of- ways. Micheal said they are working on buying one piece of property and then looking at three other pieces on the 2000 East gulch. He said when UDOT works on obtaining pieces of property they hire an appraiser and then a reviewer to review the appraisal. Micheal said the cost for just the appraiser and the reviewer is crazy. He said they also had to have an environmental review because it is in the gulch. Micheal said the project is supposed to begin at the park on the Hwy side and go along the back of the park to 2000 East. He said they were supposed to widen part of the road on 2000 East down to 1700 South. He said if they did that they will be losing a little bit on their project. Micheal said he would like to see them go just to 2000 East and pave the two parking lots. He said even if they stop at 2000 East and don't go out onto the road, there is still the upcoming 2000 East road project that they can use to still widen the shoulders for the bike trail. Councilman Reynolds asked if they were making a parking lot without an access to it. Micheal said, no, they are making the access to 2000 East. Councilman Reynolds wanted to know what Micheal was asking of them. He stated he just wants to make sure they were okay with doing the paved parking lots on both ends, making the trail a little nicer, and stopping at 2000 East. Micheal said the road widening will happen with the grant for 2000 East. Councilman Hall asked about the engineering for the hill on 2000 East. Micheal said they don't have an engineer for that phase of the project yet. Councilman Hall said he was under the impression that Troy was going to do that and come back with his thoughts. Micheal said he hasn't asked him about it but he could call him. No action was taken.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Council members received a copy of the financial statement for review. Micheal stated there are no revenues showing because the year has not been closed out. There were no questions from the Council.

OTHER MATTERS OR FUTURE COUNCIL MATTERS

Micheal wanted the Council to know they will be striping some of the roads in the City and the 1500 South project is starting. He also reported the Mayor's Walk is scheduled for October 26th and Gwen could use two people to come and help pass out the candy. Councilman Morton and Councilman Bentley both stated they would try and help.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no other business before the Council, Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 8:45. Robert Hall **seconded** the motion. The meeting was adjourned by all voting in favor of the motion.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON THE 26th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024

BY: ______________________________ ATTEST: __________________________