

**EUREKA CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Castleton opened the meeting and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Nick Castleton – Present  
Council Member Darrin Carlson – Present  
Council Member Larry Ezell – Present  
Council Member Travis Haynes – Present  
Council Member Leslie Rice – Absent  
Council Member Robert Trepanier – Present  
City Recorder Patricia Bigler – Present  
City Attorney Melissa Mellor – Present via Zoom

**OTHER IN ATTENDANCE**

Greg Thornock  
Via Zoom – Cory Hills, Gary Poh, Kim Pannell, Patricia Wahlberg

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Council Member Haynes made a motion to approve the minutes from March 8, 2021. Council Member Carlson seconded. No discussion all in favor motion carried – Council Members Carlson, Ezell, Haynes, Trepanier – Aye.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

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FOR MARCH 2021**

Checking Beginning Balance:	\$142,867.53
Deposit Amount:	\$ 86,369.82
Withdrawal Amount:	\$ 92,818.85
Checking Ending Balance:	\$136,418.50

Council Member Haynes made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Council Member Ezell seconded. No discussion all in favor motion carried. Council Members Carlson, Ezell, Haynes, Trepanier – Aye.

## **CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY**

Council Member Ezell asked if the \$310 was for the antifreeze and it is. We got it about a month ago and have been using it. Council Member Ezell made a motion to pay the bills. Council Member Haynes seconded. No further discussion all in favor motion carried. Council Members Carlson, Ezell, Haynes, Trepanier – Aye. Recorder Bigler informed the Council who was on Zoom.

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

Nick Castleton – Someone at the State was cleaning and found a Certificate for the Eureka City Historical Preservations Council for the Centennial dated 19 January 1996 and sent it to us.

Robert Trepanier – Getting ready to send a grant to the State for the Cemetery for up to \$10,000. It requires a 15% match either in cash or in kind or both. Can be used for maintenance and repair. He was thinking about using it for resurfacing more of the roads. It is a first come first serve grant. Match funds depend on size of community. Mayor Castleton asked if he had his meeting about the Memorial Building (the Mayor got the wrong building it is the Old City Hall). Council Member Trepanier and Council Member Carlson met with the guy from the State and showed him the door that needs to be replaced and where the Historical Society wants the security system installed.

Travis Haynes – Spoke to Lynn about getting pricing for some red dirt for the baseball fields. Lynn is also picking up the fertilizer for the fields.

Darrin Carlson – Nothing to report

Leslie Rice – Absent

Larry Ezell – Did not have a chance to talk to Lynn about the sewer hookup for Dennis Greenwood and asked Recorder Bigler if she knew anything. Recorder Bigler said he checked the maps, and it shows it was put in along with the date. Lynn wants to see the camera footage that Mr. Greenwood said he had.

Council Member Haynes said Lynn talked to the guy from Auger Monster and he will look at the muffin monster we have and see if we can use it. Council Member Ezell would like to meet with Sunrise Engineering or invite them to a meeting and to discuss this.

2. Planning Commission – Nothing to report

## **NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS**

1. Discussion on the use of Ranked Choice Voting for our upcoming Municipal Election. Mayor Castleton was in a meeting with Utah League of Cities and Towns and explained to Council how this works. The Council felt this was something they did not want to pursue. Council Member Ezell made a motion to not use Ranked Choice Voting. Council Member Trepanier seconded. No further discussion all in favor motion carried. Council Members Carlson, Ezell, Haynes, Trepanier – Aye. Recorder Bigler let everyone know the State has decided to go with Mail in Voting for the entire State.

2. Review and Discussion of Eureka Institutional Controls Funding Agreement.

Attorney Mellor said this is just replacing existing agreement for the permit coordinator. It expired in August of last year. The agreement will be for 10 years starting in August of last year. Reimbursement of up to \$15,000 per year and no more than \$100,000 over the ten-year period. Mayor Castleton wanted to know if we have been getting any reimbursement from this. Recorder Bigler said we have not for the last 2 years. No paperwork/reports or time have been submitted. She said Michael Storck got upset with her last year for not turning anything in. She explained to him that she had not received anything from the Permit Coordinator to turn in. The Mayor said he will talk to Lynn. Council Member Ezell made a motion to accept the agreement. Council Member Haynes seconded. No further discussion all in favor motion carried. Council Members Carlson, Ezell, Haynes, Trepanier – Aye.

3. Review and Discussion on Juab County Economic Development Grant.

Council Member Rice was asked by the Council to put in for this grant for the sewer issues. She was not present at the meeting, so the Council does not know if she has done this yet. We received an application from Brent Boswell, and you must fill it out online. Gary Poh said he has not received any call back from Mr. Boswell, nor an application. Recorder Bigler said she will forward the application it to him. The deadline is May 10, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

4. Review and Discussion of repairs/replacement of equipment at wastewater plant.

This item was discussed during Council Member Ezell's report.

5. Discussion concerning repair/replacement of sewer line to City Hall.

Council Members Ezell and Carlson looked at the line and would like to have Val Kotter come look at it and give us a bid. Council Member Ezell said after it gets fixed, he would like to have a concrete cap poured on the line that is in the ditch.

6. Discussion on the need for changes to Eureka's Addressing System.

Mayor Castleton said we have a big issue with our addresses here in Eureka. He contacted the County Recorder's Office, and they said this issue would be for the Planning Commission. He would like our Planning Commission to get with the County's Planning Commission and come up with the correct numbers. We are having issues with Haulage Street with the new homes being built. We need to go through the whole town and get this taken care of soon. Council Member Haynes felt the biggest issue is East and West not re-numbering. If we start re-numbering all we will do is cause confusion. The Mayor will talk with the guy from the County tomorrow. Recorder Bigler said this issue is on the agenda for the Planning Commission's work meeting for this Thursday. Council Member Haynes was worried about those people in town who have their addresses mortared in. Council Member Trepanier said a lot of work is involved to change your address on your bills, mortgage, etc. Kim Pannell said this issue is not limited to just deliveries but also for emergency vehicles such as ambulances, fire, and police.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Review and Discussion on Animal Control Ordinances from other cities/towns.

Attorney Mellor had sent out different ordinances from Nephi, Mona, Santaquin, and American Fork for the Council to look at. She was looking for some preferences the City wants to go with.

She said maybe the Council could reach out to other communities or animal control officers and shelters to see if they would enter into an agreement with Eureka. She is not here to tell them what is needed. She will send the email again as she needs to. Gary Poh said we cannot just go after the problem dogs we need to deal with the friendly dogs that are running loose. On the weekends, we are a tourism town and visitors do not know if the dogs are friendly or not and it could pose a public hazard. Mayor Castleton said he talked to the owner of the dog that hangs out at the Gas Hole and they keep it in for a week or two then it is right back out again. Council Member Haynes had received a comment from an individual that they had reported at least 15 different cats in a resident's yard. This is way too many cats to take care of. Gary Poh said his camera system and has caught at least 15 or more cats and dogs wandering near his place during a one-week period. Cory Hills said he gets about 10-15 cats and 5-6 dogs per night showing up on the camera at his business. His back door reeks of dog urine. Mayor Castleton will contact the County on the new law the State put in place. We need to get our ordinance finished Council Member Haynes asked if there are any grants for animal control. Not aware of any. Gary Poh said Salt Lake County and Utah County both have feral cat programs. You are given a live trap and once you have the cat you take it back to them. They spayed/neutered and then give it back to you to release it back where you found it. Some places may offer an alternative place to release it like a farm or dairy. Council Member Ezell said we need to look into this program. Attorney Mellor suggested checking with the Nephi Vet Clinic.

## 2. Review of Department Budgets.

Recorder Bigler said she sent an email to each Council Member with their department budget worksheets. They need to go over it and make sure to put in the new budget any equipment, supplies, etc. they may need for the upcoming budget year. This will need to include pricing. Council Member Ezell asked if he needed to put the muffin monster on the budget. If it is going to be bought after June than it needs to be included in the budget.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

(Citizens who had submitted their question or concerns in writing prior to the meeting may do so at this time but will be limited to two minutes each.)

Kim Pannell commented that cats multiply quickly and can carry diseases. Gary Poh said he looked up the Feral Cat Program for Juab County and the contact person is Lisa Coombs 435-660-9996 email [irhodlander@hotmail.com](mailto:irhodlander@hotmail.com). Council Member Ezell asked if anyone had any more information on the new track the high school is wanting to put in. Mayor Castleton said they had a meeting with Brad Knight (developer), and they are still working on it. He was not able to make it to the meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Ezell made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Haynes seconded. All in favor meeting adjourned.