# EUREK CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING JULY 1, 2019 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 Leslie Rice – Present Council Member Gordon Grimstead – Present Council Member Kimberlee Clem – Present Council Member Hortt Carter – Absent Council Member Tamra Jameson – Absent City Recorder Patricia Bigler – Present Public Works Director Lynn Elliott - Present

#### **Public in Attendance**

Vern Thorpe – Tintic Consolidated Metals, LLC, Paul Korpi – Tintic Consolidated Metals, LLC Wayne Koglanes, Brandy Kirgan, Laura Kirgan, Janice Boswell, Shelly Stansfield, Ferrel Thomas

#### **Discussion Items**

Vern Tharp, Tintic Consolidated Metals, LLC – Update on Progress at Mine He gave an update on mine. He introduced Paul Korpi, the mine operator/opener. They have been fixing up and cleaning all the buildings. They have hired some local people. They will be starting with the Trixie and it does have active stopes. Would like to eventually go below the water table. There is a lot left to be explored. A lot of data was left behind. They have technology that has not been used here before. Shelly asked if she understood correctly that they were looking for granite. Paul Korpi said granite has a lot copper running through it. They are looking for everything. There will not be any open pit mining. Surface impact very small there is more high grade deposits of ore that have not been explored yet. Council Member Grimstead asked how many they have employed from Eureka. Brandy Kirgan said they have 20 people and 12 of them are from Eureka. May see it ramp up in next couple of months and continue throughout the year. Council Member Rice understands that they are looking for hourly workers but are they looking for other workers such as Chemists, health and safety people, etc. anytime soon. They are a private company and like to do things for themselves. They own a lab in Nevada and want to move it here. They will need accountants and purchasing groups. Currently, they are ok with safety. They see the Trixie having about 100 employees. May try to do a job fair. Housing project in the works. Their view is they can make miners. Training programs are built into their work program. Shelly Stansfield thanked them for everything they are planning to do and for hiring people who may bring their families to Eureka.

Review and Discuss changes to Town Fee Schedule

Recorder Bigler handed out the current fee schedules along with fee schedules from Santaquin, Payson, Nephi, Levan, Gunnison, and Fillmore for the Council to look at and compare fees. She pointed out to the Council that Fillmore bases their business licenses fee on how many employee's the company has. We currently have one fee for businesses on Main St and another fee for those who have a home business. She feels a new fee for running data logs should be added to our schedule. We need to look at the cost of employee time and the paper for the copies. Some of the data logs can have up to 60 pages or more. Public Works Director Elliott was thinking that a \$50 fee would work. The Council will take the fee schedules home to look at them and make notes as to what fees they may want to change.

Review possible policy change or clarification on Overtime May need to revise our current overtime policy. Mayor Castleton wrote one up. If adopted it would be added into the current Policy & Procedures. Council Member Grimstead stated he thought overtime had a standard requirement. Not only is there a standard it is the law. It was intended as a draft. Council Member Grimstead said they will look it over and discuss it at the next meeting.

Mayor Castleton asked if those present had any questions. Janice Boswell said we need to get more young families to move in. Does the City have a plan on how to accomplish this? Mayor Castleton said we are working on it right now. We are working on getting Impact Fees in place. We are building and putting the groundwork in place. Brandy Kirgan mentioned leasing property and selling water for a cannabis farm. Mayor Castleton said there was a deadline with the State of July 1st for them to submit their paperwork to apply for their license. He sent an email to all the Council Members asking them if they would like to proceed with this project. The Council responded favorably. Brandy wanted to know how this would benefit the City. There will be the money that will be coming in from leasing the property and the water, and there will be jobs that will need to be filled. We will have to wait and see if they get one of the ten licenses. If they get a license, then a contract can be negotiated. Council Member Grimstead said the public will be informed of what is going on they are not trying to hide anything. Council Member Grimstead would like the City to order a "Children at Play" sign to be placed near his home. There are a lot of children in his area. Public Works Director Elliott will get it ordered. Laura Kirgan asked if we had received any applicants for the vacant City worker position. This is what the Council is going to discuss in the Executive Meeting. Ferrel Thomas would like to request the City send a letter to his neighbor to clean up the house that blew down. He has talked to the owner a couple of times. The Mayor said he will talk to the Code Enforcement Officer and suggested Ferrel sign a formal complaint. Mayor Castleton thanked everyone for coming.

#### Adjournment

Council Member Grimstead made a motion to adjourn to executive session. Council Member Rice seconded. All in favor meeting moved into executive session 8:35 p.m. Council Member Grimstead made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Rice seconded. All in favor meeting adjourned 8:55 p.m.

## **Executive Session**

Personnel Review