
PANGUITCH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**March 8, 2016
CITY COUNCIL – 6:30 P.M.
LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM
25 SOUTH 200 EAST
PANGUITCH, UTAH 84759**

Those present at the City Council meeting were Mayor Eric Houston, City Manager Lori Talbot, City Recorder Tyrissa Howell, Council Members Lloyd Brinkerhoff, Kim Soper, Rick Miller, Trudi Owens, and Alan Johnson. City Attorney Barry Huntington was absent.

Other present were Randy Yard, Becky Yard, Linda Miller, Art Cooper, Kevin Moore, Allen Henrie, and Jeannie Henrie.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

OPENING CEREMONY

Council member Trudi Owens conducted the opening ceremony.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Lloyd Brinkerhoff to adopt the agenda as outlined. The motion passed with all in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lloyd Brinkerhoff moved, seconded by Rick Miller to approve the minutes. The motion passed with all in favor.

OFFICER REPORT

Officer Kevin Moore passed around an officer analysis report. He reported that Panguitch has been having repeated problem with vandalism.

JP FINES

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to approve the JP Fines. The motion passed with all in favor.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Lloyd Brinkerhoff moved, seconded by Rick Miller to donate \$300 to the Easter Egg Hunt. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS LICENSE-PANGUITCH PLACE LLC/VACATION RENTAL

Lloyd Brinkerhoff moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to approve the business license for Panguitch Place. The motion passed with all in favor.

STATE TREASURES CONFERENCE APRIL 6-8, 2016/CARLA FARNSWORTH

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Lloyd Brinkerhoff to approve sending Carla Farnsworth to the Treasures conference. The motion passed with all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2016-1

Kim Soper moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to adopt Resolution 2016-1. The motion passed with all in favor.

PENDING BUSINESS

For the flooding in the south subdivisions it was decided to ask if Joe Black or Paul Dastrup would be willing to look at the situation and give advice on what the city could do to help with the problem.

CURRENT BILLS

The council reviewed the current bills to be paid.

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to pay the current bills. The motion passed with all in favor.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Baseball fields-The Baseball Field are in need of work. There was discussion of how to acquire money to put back into the baseball fields.

Triple C- Some improvements that were decided on by the Triple C Committee were a Wade Rain sprinkler, flood lights for the back of the building, crash pads for the bucking shoots, power hook ups and work done on the Triple C website.

Firemen Awards- Mike Johnson brought in one of the firemen awards to show the city council how they turned out.

Complaints-There have been complaints about the number of dogs at one property and complaints of heavy equipment at another. City Attorney Barry Huntington will be sending out a letter to each property owner.

Road Exchange- Wade Robison would like to deed the city a piece of property for a road right of way in exchange for the city black toping his parking lot.

COUNCIL MEMBER LLOYD BRINKERHOFF LEFT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 6:50 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING

Alan Johnson moved, seconded by Trudi Owens to go into the Public Hearing. The motion passed with all in favor.

Those in attendance of the Public Hearing were Mayor Eric Houston, City Manager Lori Talbot, City Council Members Rick Miller, Kim Soper, Trudi Owens, Alan Johnson, and City Recorder Tyrissa Howell. Others Present were Randy Yard, Becky Yard, Linda Miller, Art Cooper, Allen Henrie, Jeannie Henrie, Mike Johnson, Devin Albrecht, Mitch Miller, Ashlee Miller, Cybil Taylor, Sheena Stewart, Eric Palmer, Suzanne Palmer and Paula Palmer.

Mayor Eric Houston presented a power point on the cost of building and running a pool. He stated Gunnison loses \$220,258 yearly on their pool and Richfield loses \$243,918 yearly on their pool. He talked about options to increase property taxes or a \$21 increase to the water bill to pay for a pool.

Council Member Kim Soper presented a power point showing five different payment plan options to pay off Panguitch City's loans early. Panguitch City has 8 loans, which takes 20% of the yearly budget to make the payments. Option 1 uses the capital project fund money to pay off the loans by 2025, saving the city \$238,397 in interest. Option 4 does not use the capital Improvement money and pays off the loans by 2026, saving the city \$133,589 in interest.

Art Cooper stated that he likes option four, and that he thinks it is too bad that Panguitch does not have a pool.

Becky Yard stated that she does not understand why the city would hold on to \$100,000 while paying \$200,000 in interest.

Randy Yard asked if there is any return for Panguitch City in a pool. The baseball fields and the Triple C bring money into businesses. Will the pool?

Eric Palmer asked if there is an obligation to keep the pool money.

Sarah Palmer stated she believes there is a moral obligation. That you can't put a price on kids learning to swim, and you can't put a price on having a pool available for rehab.

Devin Albrecht stated that he takes his kids to Wayne County to swim. He talked to the manager of the Wayne pool, who said that pool cost \$60,000 a year to run. They take in \$30,000 and the county subsidizes the remaining portion. Devin's opinion was that a pool is good for the community and that Rehab is much faster with a pool.

Mike Johnson would like the city to keep the pool money even though he feels the pool will never make money. He also stated if a pool cannot happen put the money back into a recreational option like a splash pad. He feels outdoor pools have a better attendance. Manti pays a monthly recreational fee to have a pool.

Ashlee Miller stated that having a pool gives kids another option.

Sheena Stewart stated she understands the theory of paying down debt, but when it's all said and done you wish you would have taken the time for the fun stuff. She would like to see a pool before her boys are grown.

Cybil Taylor raised her concern over drownings, and feels kids need a pool to learn how to swim. She also talked about how much easier physical therapy was for her when we had a pool.

Mitch Miller stated he would like to see the real costs of building and running a pool.

Becky Yard stated that she started out the meeting against building a pool, but would now like to see the options explored before using the money to pay down debt.

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Kim Soper to exit the Public Hearing. The motion passed with all in favor.

DEBT REDUCTION APPROVAL

Alan Johnson moved, seconded by Trudi Owens to use option 4. Kim Soper voted in favor. Rick Miller was opposed. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alan Johnson moved, seconded by Trudi Owens to go into an executive session to discuss personnel. Those in attendance were Mayor Eric Houston, Council Members Rick Miller, Trudi Owens, Kim Soper and Alan Johnson, City Manager Lori Talbot, and City Recorder Tyrissa Howell. The Motion passed with all in favor.

Rick Miller moved, seconded by Kim Soper to exit executive session. The motion passed with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Trudi Owens moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45. The motion passed with all in favor.

Eric Houston, Mayor

Tyrissa P. Howell, City Recorder

