
PANGUITCH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**October 25, 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 Recorder Tyrissa Howell, Council Members Lloyd Brinkerhoff, Rick Miller, Kim Soper, Alan Johnson and Trudi Owens. City Attorney Barry Huntington and City Manager Lori Talbot were absent.

Others present were Doug Nielson, Alberto Vazquez, and Falyn Owens.

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

OPENING CEREMONY

Kim Soper conducted the opening ceremony.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

GARFIELD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL UPDATE

Hospital Administrator Alberto Vasquez presented the City Council with an overview of Garfield Memorial Hospital. Garfield Memorial has received the Pinnacle Award three years in a row. The hospital is currently in the process of moving all medical records to an electronic data base.

Mayor Eric Houston voiced his concern with new requirements for the Select Health insurance plans requiring them to use an intermountain health care pharmacy. Alberto stated that he has sent a letter to the Vice President of HR asking them to reconsider the new requirement.

ZIONS TRAVEL PLAN

Travel Council Executive Director Falyn Owens brought before the City Council her concern for the Zions National Park Travel Plan, which may start requiring a reservation system for visitors visiting the park.

Mayor Eric Houston plans on attending a meeting discussing the plan in Kanab on Nov. 1, 2016. Council Member Kim Soper plans on attending another meeting in Cedar City.

HWY 12 COMMITTEE/HWY 143 COMMITTEE

City Council member Kim Soper stated that Garfield County Commissioners are considering no longer funding the Highway 12 committee. The County Commissioners feel the Travel Council accomplishes the same effects as the Highway 12 Committee and the Highway 143 Committee. A letter will be drafted supporting the Garfield County Commissioners decision.

BUSINESS LICENSE-H&R BLOCK

Rick Miller moved, seconded by Lloyd Brinkerhoff to approve the business license for H&R Block. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS LICENSE-EXCELL CONSTRUCTION

Trudi Owens moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to approve the business license for Excell Construction. The motion passed with all in favor.

BUSINESS LICENSE-ADVANTANGE MEDICAL

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

LESLIE HUGHES

Leslie Hughes has written a letter complaining of a neighboring property being used for industrial purposes in a residential zone. City attorney Barry Huntington has sent one letter to the property owners and will send another one.

ROADS

Alan Johnson moved, seconded by Rick Miller to table until the first meeting in March 2017. The motion passed with all in favor.

SEWER RATES

The state auditors questioned the sewer rates being charged on business accounts.

Kim Soper moved, seconded by Alan Johnson to table until more information can be gathered. The motion passed with all in favor.

PENDING BUSINESS

There were no changes to the pending business at this time.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fuels Project/Water Shed-The State of Utah has given Garfield County money to help with the fuels project at the water shed.

Policy & Procedures-Council Member Trudi Owens asked for a Policy and Procedures work shop to be scheduled before the next city council.

Panguitch Drug Store-The Garfield Memorial Hospital employees have a new requirement to use an Intermountain Health Care Pharmacy. Sam Marshall the owner of Panguitch Drug says that will affect about 50% of his pharmacy sales. Mayor Eric Houston would like to write a letter asking for the new requirement to be reconsidered for rural communities.

City Council November 8-The City Council meeting for November 8 will be canceled due to elections.

Triple C Arena-There have been some complaints about the setup of the Triple C Arena for the National Senior Pro Rodeo Finals not being moved back to the original set up before the High School Rodeo held the next week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive session was not needed at this time.

CURRENT BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Lloyd Brinkerhoff moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. The motion passed with all in favor.

Eric Houston, Mayor

Tyrissa P. Howell, City Recorder

