

**MINUTES**  
**ENOCH CITY COUNCIL**  
**January 17, 2024 at 6:00pm**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road**

**Members present:**

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut  
Council Member Katherine Ross  
Council Member David Harris  
Council Member Shawn Stoor - Excused  
Council Member Bob Tingey  
Council Member Debra Ley

**Staff present:**

Robert Dotson, City Manager  
Ashley Horton, Treasurer  
Justin Wayment, City Attorney  
Hayden White, Public Works Director  
Lindsay Hildebrand, City Recorder  
Jackson Ames, PD Chief

**Public Present:** Dan Hill, Alan and Valerie Wade, Bryce Poulson, Delaine Finlay, Matt Edwards, Jonathan Wilson, and Casey and Heidi Anderson

**1. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

- a. **Pledge of Allegiance-** Given by Council Member Ley
- b. **Invocation (2 min.)-Audience invited to participate-** Given by Council Member Harris
- c. **Inspirational thought-** Council Member Ley will have the thought at the next meeting
- d. **Approval of Agenda for January 17, 2024 – Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**
- e. **Approval of Minutes for January 3, 2024- Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**
- f. **Ratification of Expenditures- Council Member Harris made a motion to ratify the expenditures. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**
- g. **Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-** None stated

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Alan Wade asked how many people had been north of his house. He thought there was a problem with city ordinances regarding construction. Behind Council Member Tingey’s home was a big trailer house parked on the lot. Nothing is set up for it. It doesn’t have any easements or setbacks. It is the biggest eye-sore in Enoch. He agreed that everyone had a right to do what they wanted on their property except when it affected someone else. There should be limits. Rules and regulations have to be enforced. When something comes into the community like this, it is unreasonable and affects everyone. He didn’t think the trailer currently parked in the RV park area was up to code either. He would like to see Enoch Planning change ordinances and do whatever they can to stop that type of home. This would affect property values. He called and talked to Lynn the City Inspector. Lynn told the owner that it must be moved. Mr. Wade requested that the Council go look at the property.

Valerie Wade noted that the new ice rink coming in sits basically behind all of that. People will be coming in from Cedar to use that facility and it's an eyesore. She was concerned because the ice rink was a big addition to our community and they want it to look good.

**3. CONSIDER AN AMENDED SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR THE HOMESTEAD SUBDIVISION, LOT 31 – See Planning Commission Rec.**

Council Member Ross stated that this came forward from the Planning Commission with a favorable recommendation.

**Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the amended subdivision plat for the Homestead Subdivision, lot 31. Council Member Tingey seconded and all voted in favor.**

**4. DISCUSS POSSIBLE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH RIDDERMARK - Chief Ames**

Casey Anderson was present and discussed his approach to the city about 3-6 months ago. He had conversations with City Manager Dotson and Chief Ames regarding providing police services to a new town called Riddermark, located west of Enoch. Mr. Anderson, who moved to the area 9 years ago, expressed his comfort in taking on this initiative, mentioning his wife's connection to the place. The discussion about incorporating Riddermark had been ongoing for about 15 years. Mr. Anderson's role in the process involved initiating a Feasibility Study, and reaching out to law enforcement in Cedar City and the Sheriff's department to get some rough estimates. The study, estimated to take 3-6 months, would determine the viability of the incorporation. If feasible, the next step is to get signatures to be able to put it on a ballot for public voting in November, with potential incorporation by January. Riddermark, meaning "horse country," is characterized by 5-acre lots and horse owners. The drafted proposal included about 40 pages of information, with only around 6 pages deemed pertinent. Residents had the option to opt out resulting in about 50 homes. The geographical area is three times the area of Paragonah or Kanarraville. Council Member Tingey inquired about the main points of the contract, and City Manager Dotson explained discussions on various levels of law enforcement service. If you take the level of service down to just a patrol, maybe once a day, it costs less. The estimate was \$19,590 per year, which included a patrol once a day and then answering calls. There are other parameters to consider. The expectation for code enforcement was mentioned, with not a lot of calls for that. Mayor Chesnut noted that Enoch has an Interagency Agreement with the County and when there is a call in that area, Enoch PD responds. It is a collaborative approach to public safety. Funding was identified as a concern, and City Manager Dotson mentioned the importance of a consistent funding mechanism. If the solution involved residents proposing a tax to cover the costs, Enoch's administration would be on board. If either one decides that it isn't working out, there would be a clause in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Council Member Harris emphasized the need for officer input and expressed willingness to revisit the issue. Justin Wayment shared a relevant experience from Parowan, highlighting the importance of clear agreements in shared law enforcement responsibilities.

**5. CONSIDER AWARD OF 2 MG TANK SITEWORK PROJECT**

City Manager Dotson said we have received the loan for the tank itself. We got a 2.5% loan on a portion of it. The site work is done by a separate contractor. Curtis Nielson with Ensign Engineering, who is the engineer on this project. Mr. Nielson explained how they go through the process. They had to go to bid for the tank itself, which was awarded to Superior Tank. They are currently shipping parts. The location requires that they raise the foundation to match the elevation. They had to raise it about 4-5 feet. They publicly advertised the bidding process and there was quite a few people responded with interest. Four people responded with bids and of those they got the low bid from Munford General Contract in the amount of \$441,329.76. They have a good reputation. Ensign Engineering recommended awarding the bid to Munford General Contract. Mayor Chesnut asked why the difference was so high from the highest to the lowest

bids. Mr. Nielson said he talked to Cody Orton, owner of John Orton Excavation, who had the highest bid and the reason was the material cost of importation. Munford General is a local company. Curtis lives in Enoch.

**Council Member Harris made a motion to award the 2-million-gallon tank sitework project to Munford General Contracting based on the bid dated January 4, 2024 in the amount of \$441,329.76. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**

## 6. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

### Hayden White

- They have been snow plowing and fixing equipment. Everyone in Public Works now has a truck to plow. They are replacing batteries on equipment.
- The Little Eden well did get approved to build. They will tie water lines this spring. It will probably be half a million dollars. He explained the costs.

### Dustin Roy

- Last night the Police Department had its first annual awards banquet. They designed the awards and a lot of work went into it. There were 4 officers and the administrative assistant on the awards committee. Council Member Ross asked what were the awards given. Dustin said the awards are pretty universal across agencies. They were Medal of Valor for an officer-involved shooting, Lifesaving Accommodations, Commendations, Meritorious Service, and Letters of Recognition. It was good to be able to showcase the good. They created the Enoch Police Award that goes to another officer in another agency. They presented those awards in person to each agency and gave those directly. Those stemmed from the Haight case. Members of the public received an award for an incident that happened with a school bus. Mayor Chesnut said being a small department sometimes these things can be overlooked. He liked that they put this together.

### Justin Wayment

- They are working on things.

### Ashley Horton

- She reported that she was trying to stay on top of invoices and end-of-year reporting.
- She finalized employee's W2s.

### City Manager Dotson

- He reported that he applied for two grants from the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity, which was for COVID money. One was for one of our wells. The other was the drainage across the street from the City Office. We received word that those two were denied. We will find other sources.
- Dollar General's building permit should be ready to go and O'Reilly Auto Parts is getting close as well.

### Lindsay Hildebrand

- She has been working on records management in her downtime.
- She has been working on the minutes for several meetings. There was a Water Board meeting last week.

### Mayor Chesnut

- He went to the Police Department Awards Banquet and thought it was great.

### Council Member Ross

- There has been an application for a new Planning Commission member.
- The Planning Commission also talked about changing the ordinance for subdivisions. We have a consulting group that gave recommendations and it should be a smooth process.

### Council Member Harris

- The Water Board will have to look at the current city ordinances for State compliance regarding what we require from developers in terms of water. He also had a meeting with

