

**MINUTES**  
**ENOCH CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 18, 2020 at 5:00pm**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road**

**Members present:**

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut  
Council Member David Harris  
Council Member Jolene Lee  
Council Member West Harris-absent  
Council Member Katherine Ross  
Council Member Shawn Stoor

**Staff present:**

Julie Watson, Recorder  
Ashley Horton, Treas.  
Justin Wayment, Atty.  
Earl Gibson, PW Dir.  
Robert Dotson, City Mgr.  
Jackson Ames, PD Chief

Public present: Robert Platt

1. **CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**-By Mayor Chesnut at 6:00 pm.
  - a. **Pledge of Allegiance**-Led by Mayor Chesnut
  - b. **Invocation-Audience invited to participate**-Not given
  - c. **Inspirational thought**-Not given
  - d. **Approval of Agenda for March 18, 2020**-Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.
  - e. **Approval of Minutes for March 4, 2020**-Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.
  - f. **Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda**-none stated

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**-none

3. **DISCUSS/VOTE ON TIM & MARCIA ALLEN MINOR SUBDIVISION**

Mayor Chesnut asked Bob Platt about this application. He said this was going to be the Fox Hollow Subdivision but that didn't work out. This application is to split the 20.27 acres dividing off the 2.73 acres where the home is located. It meets all City requirements and was sent from the Planning Commission with a favorable recommendation. City Manager Dotson said the City Engineer reviewed and approved it. Mayor Chesnut asked for motion.

**Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve the Tim and Marcia Allen Minor Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.**

4. **PUBLIC HEARING ON PERKINS/DEMILLE ANNEXATION**

**Council Member David Harris made a motion to close the regular meeting and go into the public hearing on the Perkins/DeMille annexation. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor.**

There were no comments.

**Council Member David Harris made a motion to close the public hearing and go back to the regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.**

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-03-18 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING PROPERTY OWNED BY JACKIE L. PERKINS AND REBECCA DEMILLE OWNERS OF THE COMBINED 11.84 ACRES OF LAND INTO THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF ENOCH CITY**

City Manager Dotson said this annexation is part of 4200 North where we were exchanging water connections and other things for the road easements we need. Their Annexation Agreement is identical to the others except for one thing. They want access to allocate three AF of water we already have in the system for when they want to develop. This will be zoned Single Family Residential R-1-18.

**Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No 2020-03-18, an ordinance annexing property owned by Jackie L. Perkins and Rebecca DeMille, owners of the combined 11.84 acres of land into the corporate boundaries of Enoch City. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and a roll call vote was held as follows:**

<b>Council Member David Harris-Yes</b>	<b>Council Member Stoor-Yes</b>
<b>Council Member Ross-Yes</b>	<b>Council Member West Harris-Absent</b>
<b>Council Member Lee-Yes</b>	<b>Motion passed</b>

6. **COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT**

Chief Ames reported public safety is business as normal. We are trying to limit people in the building and following guidelines received from the CDC. We have canceled fingerprinting for now and being cautious about taking people to jail if we can cite and release instead. People are in a panic and we are being cautious.

Earl Gibson reported they are doing their normal jobs and waiting on good weather. It is business as usual so things look normal and everything is working fine.

City Attorney Justin Wayment said the Governor and other State officials are working on ways to hold meetings while limiting the number of people allowed in a room right now. We are waiting on more information. The virus is not in Iron County yet but it is real. The position is, if we need to hold a meeting we can do it, but we will have to have less people in the room by using electronic means as needed. Council Members could participate from home on the phone. They are trying to change the policy on open meetings but that has not been done yet. There has to be a base location which is the City Office and that could remain as is since our electronic equipment for holding meetings is here. One concern he has is that a citizen could claim they got the virus here so we want to keep the public out while still allowing them a means to comment and participate. Mayor Chesnut said we will know more by the next meeting. Emergency Management is developing plans.

City Manager Dotson reported Parkview Subdivision has come to the forefront with interest in development. Some property owners purchased a phase and want to change the zoning of all the property including the east side of Bark Avenue from about 5600 North to 6400 North from Single Family Residential (R-1-18) to Research/Industrial Park (R/IP). Another individual wants to purchase some land from the City. We do not have that land listed on a surplus property list at this time and we would have to do that in order to be able to sell it. That will be coming to the City Council for discussion. He noted we have closed the office except for the PD side where there is a glass wall. We are trying to handle everything online or on the phone. For those who have to come inside the building their business can be handled on the PD side. He noted there are some issues with employee vacation time/sick time in relation to retirement accrual. Sick leave is not a right but a benefit like holiday pay. We may need to make a policy change to work this out. Everyone in the State is dealing with this. There have been many conference calls with the Governor and others worried about economics. Council Member David Harris asked about water shut offs. City Manager Dotson said we may need to discuss a policy change. He reiterated we are working on best practices on policies for this type of emergency. We are here to help each

other. The message to residents is we are on your side and will try to work with you however providing services does have costs.

Mayor Chesnut recapped various meetings he and City Manager Dotson have attended regarding how to handle things during the virus crisis. Many agencies are involved from the Governor's Office, health care executives, financial executives, the County and local municipalities all working the problem. As City Manager Dotson said the discussion is a mixed bag of are we doing enough or not. He said he likes data and numbers and there is not a lot of that right now. We don't know exposure rates and almost everything about this virus is a mystery. Decisions are being made on this lack of data. HIPPA laws make a lot of information secure and secret. His position has been we like information to make decisions. Monday he talked to Earl and Chief Ames and for our citizens we need to appear as normal as possible. We did a soft close of the City Office based on the Governor's executive order. All of Earl's knowledge needs to be available to everyone to keep the water on and other services functioning. In that regard we talked about families that lose jobs long term and how we get a policy. We are talking about it. He has concerns about those who do not take it seriously. We will keep the City Council informed and there are meetings going on. We need data and are trying to make the best decisions we can and remain calm.

Council Member Ross reported the Planning Commission is talking about creating a geologic hazard zone in the fissure area.

Council Member David Harris said the Water Board meeting was canceled this month.

Council Member Lee thanked the City Council for the attitude of being calm in this crisis. Residents need to see that from us. There was brief discussion of UDOT meetings that are being held or are canceled. Other meetings will be handled online.

Council Member Stoor reported he was in communication with RDI to lay the irrigation lines without trenching so as not to be too disruptive to the grass. He will be on a conference call tomorrow to prepare for that. They are hoping to get that installed by mid-May. No Tree or Rec Committee meetings will be held tomorrow. Arbor Day may still happen but we don't know yet.

7. **ADJOURN- Council Member David Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor.** The meeting ended at 7:00 pm.

 4-1-20  
Julie Watson, Recorder Date