

**ELK RIDGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2023**

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Elk Ridge City Council was scheduled for **Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 7:00 PM**. The meeting was held at the Elk Ridge City Hall, 80 East Park Drive, Elk Ridge, Utah. Notice of the time, place, and Agenda of this Meeting, was provided to the Payson Chronicle, 145 E. Utah Ave, Payson, Utah, and to the members of the Governing Body on August 21, 2023.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Robert Haddock

Council Members: Nelson Abbott, Jared Peterson, Cory Thompson, Tricia Thomas, Tanya Willis, Absent -Tricia Thomas

Others: Royce Swensen, *City Recorder*, Deputy Monsen, Laura Oliver *Deputy Recorder*

Public: Adelle Campbell, Kristen Watson, Miranda Van Horn, Mukesh Jethwari, Garrett Cheney, Miguel Hill, Paise Hunter, Clint Ashmead, Karl Shuler, Larry Lee, Maile Wheatfill, Allee Tuckett, Kailee Campbell, Mark Christensen, KcKenna Miles, Dahlia Swensen, Cordon Findley, Dallin Holt, Ethan Houghton, Carson Bybee, Ethan Sim Jr. Boston Anger, Carson Taylor, Matt Parish, Mara Schempp, Charles Wixom

OPENING REMARKS- INVITATION

Opening Remarks were offered by Adelle Campbell

Pledge led by Kristen Watson

COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND TIME FRAME
COUNCILMEMBER WILLIS SECONDED

VOTE AYE (4) NAY (0) ALL APPROVED Absent- Tricia Thomas

PUBLIC FORUM

Miranda Van Horn - Lives on Hudson Lane and is concerned about what the city is doing with the Sunset Avenue.

Councilmember Willis responded there will be an island with rocks and there will be an area to put plowed snow behind it.

Councilmember Peterson stated he met with the developers on this and this needs to be on the agenda for the next meeting for discussion to finalize this area. In his motion to approve the subdivision it was stated the city would have some input on this when it was constructed which is happening now.

Mukesh Jethwari - stated he would like to submit a proposal to mitigate the deer without killing them. He would do all the work and all the time it would take for the council id to review it. There are multiple solutions to problems. This is a smart community, look at all these kids. He would just like the opportunity for the council to review his proposal.

AGENDA ITEMS

POSSIBLE ANNEXATION OF PARCEL TO WOODLANDS HILLS

Mayor Haddock stated there is a developer in Woodland Hills that would like to annex a parcel that is in Elk Ridge. It is approximately 20 acres. Councilmember Thompson asked why they want to annex it into Woodland Hills. Mayor Haddock stated they want to use the upper portion as lots and design the rest of the property all the way down to Loafer Canyon Road as open space. Mayor Haddock's concern is the storm drainage. Councilmember Peterson stated lot 27 is where the dirt is piled. The open space and all these roads drain into the drainage area that is already having problems. Woodland Hills keeps promising they are going to do something about their runoff, but they have not done anything yet. Councilmember Willis

stated if the city gives up that property, if the canyon was ever developed, the city couldn't even put in sidewalks or anything. Mayor Haddock stated perhaps the city Elk Ridge could ask for a trail along that property in exchange. Councilmember Peterson stated that property along Loafer Canyon Road is so steep it's not developable. Councilmember Willis stated but Elk Ridge still won't have any easement or anything. Councilmember Abbott stated there is an agreement with Woodland Hills as to where the boundaries are. Elk Ridge has to maintain control over what is developed there. Councilmember Thompson asked what Elk Ridge would get out of the deal? Councilmember Peterson stated they should negotiate drainage, it's way too steep to develop and thinks the developer is using it for open space in order to cluster. Woodlands Hills should fix the drainage anyways. Boundary lines should be on ridge lines. Councilmember Abbott stated the open space should remain in Elk Ridge and only let the lots go into Woodland Hills. We need to respect each other's boundaries: Elk Ridge has let Salem and Woodland Hills take prime property that could have been used for other things. Councilmember Thompson asked if this was the developer asking about the annexation. Mayor Haddock confirmed it was just the developer; Woodland Hills has not approached Elk Ridge on this matter. Councilmember Peterson stated Elk Ridge would also lose the tax revenue from that property. Councilmember Thompson stated it sounds like there is no good reason to let that property go. Woodland Hill's needs to fix their runoff. Councilmember Willis stated she does not see anything positive for Elk Ridge. Councilmember Abbott stated that it needs to stay as is. There are Woodland Hills council members that will see this for what it is; an opportunity to bring in density to Woodland Hills. Councilmember Thompson stated Elk Ridge needs to tell the developer no. Mayor Haddock stated that he will talk to the city engineer who is also involved in Woodland Hills and tell him of the council's feelings on this property.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This is the first review of the new fiscal year. Councilmember Willis asked if the budget needs to include wages for a part time office worker. Mayor Haddock stated the city is short one public works employee, which makes up for that, so the budget is ok right now. Councilmember Abbott requested Bookmobile be removed from Bookmobile/Library since the city is not funding the Bookmobile. There were no other concerns.

COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT MOTIONED TO ADJOURN COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON
SECONDED

VOTE AYE (5)

NAY (0)

ALL APPROVED

Laura Oliver