

**ELK RIDGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 14, 2023**

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

This public hearing in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meeting of the Elk Ridge City Council was scheduled for **Tuesday, November 14, 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 November 13, 2023.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Robert Haddock

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

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

Public: Jim Chase, Kendall Call, Larry Lee, Lisa Graham

OPENING REMARKS– INVITATION

Opening Remarks were offered by Jim Chase

Pledge led by Councilmember Thomas

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

VOTE AYE (5)

NAY (0)

APPROVED

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE

Maureen Bushman stated they are still working on the General Plan and are making good progress.

PUBLIC FORUM

Kendal Call would like the council to consider changing the retaining wall ordinance to making it consistent the surrounding communities to 4 feet before needing a permit and removing exposed face of 30 inches.

Jim Chase stated the auditor report states that the city is debt free and would like to commend the council. It's not easy to stay debt free and thanked the council for their hard work.

PUBLIC HEARING

SKY HAWK WELL REPAIRS - The Sky Hawk Well went down last month and \$120,000 is needed to repair it. A poll vote was taken so the repairs could be started immediately. Councilmember Abbott had a long talk with Jerry Clark, the Public Works Director about water related things. He has certain questions about why this happened

and would like to avoid this in the future and Jerry is working on a list of items and upgrades and a plan to improve the system in which he is talking to Royce and the Mayor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Chase stated because it's because the city has kept the city debt free and has been able to put money into savings to take care of repairs such as this.

COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON MOTIONED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING
COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON SECONDED

VOTE	AYE (5)	NAY (0)	APPROVED
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AGENDA ITEMS

1. BUDGET AMENDMENT: SKY HAWK WELL REPAIRS

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOTIONED TO RATIFY RESOLUTION 23-11-14-1R
AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR FOR THE SKY HAWK WELL
REPAIR FOR \$120,000 COUNCILMEMBER WILLIS SECONDED

VOTE	AYE (5)	NAY (0)	APPROVED
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Councilmember Willis	AYE
Councilmember Peterson	AYE
Councilmember Abbott	AYE
Councilmember Thomas	AYE
Councilmember Thompson	AYE

2. AUDITOR PRESENTATION FOR THE YEAR JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023, GREG OGDEN

Mayor Haddock welcomed Greg Ogden to present the audit for the year 2022-2023. Greg Ogden stated there were no findings or problems with the audit and commends the council and staff for following all the state and IRS requirements. The city is in good shape, and it has no debt, which is great.

3. RIRIE SUBDIVISION PLAT D ENTER INTO DURABILITY AND ACCEPT INTO THE CITY

Mayor Haddock stated this consists of a sidewalk. Jerry Clark, the PW Director, and himself have inspected it and recommend accepting it into durability and into the city.

COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT MOTIONED TO ACCEPT RIRIE SUBDIVISION PLAT D
INTO DURABILITY AND INTO THE CITY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 13, 2023,
COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON SECONDED

VOTE AYE (5) NAY (0) APPROVED

4. **HORROCKS ENGINEERING: FUNDING FOR ASSISTANCE**

Mayor Haddock stated legislation was passed that provides funding for cities under a 10,000 population for help in writing code, grants, General Plans, etc. MAG hired Horrocks Engineering to provide services and the city needs to approve asking for Horrocks Engineering to help in aiding the city with any of these needs.

COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON MOTIONED TO OFFICIALLY ACCEPT AND APPROVE OF STATE ASSISTANCE THROUGH HORROCKS ENGINEERING FOR MODIFICATIONS OF THE CITY GENERAL PLAN AND OTHER NEEDS AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY STAFF COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON SECONDED

VOTE AYE (5) NAY (0) APPROVED

5. **FLEET TRUCKS**

Mayor Haddock stated the city has been leasing the fleet but the lessor wants to move it to a capital lease which isn't feasible for the city. Mayor Haddock passed out a printout of the costs to the council to study and to prepare for a poll vote. All the trucks are available and have to be purchased from a dealership with a state contract. A public hearing will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

6. **RETAINING WALLS CODE DISCUSSION**

Councilmember Peterson stated the international code (IBC) used to be 30 inches but that changed several years ago. The city adopted the International Building Code (IBC), the IRC is the residential code which the city has not adopted. They are both different and they both have 4 feet before a permit is needed but one of them has a caveat of 30 inches and recommends changing the code. Councilmember Willis stated she found in her research that Elk Ridge is the only one that was different. Councilmember Peterson stated he recommends adopting the IRC also which is residential which is what Elk Ridge is. Councilmember Abbott stated the city needs to be consistent with neighboring cities. Mayor Haddock stated this has to go through the Planning Commission for a public hearing.

COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT MOTIONED TO SEND THE AMENDMENT TO RETAINING WALLS TO PLAN COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON SECONDED

VOTE AYE (5) NAY (0) APPROVED

7. **PARK CONCEPT, PARKING LOT AND PAVILION**

Discussion ensued on noise from pickle ball courts whether the pickle ball courts are far enough from homes. The nearest house is more than 150 feet from the nearest home. Councilmember Abbott stated they should double the number of courts and regardless of what is there will be noise. Councilmember Willis would like to move everything back from the road a bit and put in angled parking along Cotton Tail and add a basketball court.

8. **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

There were issues or concerns.

9. **APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR OCT 24, 2023**

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COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR
OCTOBER 24, 2023, COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT SECONDED

VOTE AYE (5) NAY (0) APPROVED

COUNCILMEMBER ABBOTT MOTIONED TO ADJOURN COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS
SECONDED

Laura Oliver