

PLAIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2020

The City Council of Plain City convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020, via ZOOM beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jon Beesley, Councilmembers Chad Allen, Rachael Beal, Buddy Sadler, Don Weston and Todd Skeen
Staff: Diane Hirschi, Dan Schuler, Mike Kerswell, Paul Taylor, Brandon Richards
Also in attendance: Jim Beesley, Ryan Child, James Hansen, Cody Rhees, Jackie VanMeeteren, Jake Rhees, Lt. Mark Horton

Call to Order: Mayor Jon Beesley
Pledge of Allegiance: none
Invocation/Moment of Silence: Mayor Jon Beesley

Approval of Minutes from March 5, 2020

Councilmember Allen moved to approve the minutes from the work meeting and the regular meeting of the City Council on March 5, 2020 as presented. Councilmember Beal seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Comments: Public

There were none.

Report from Youth Council

No report.

Report from Planning Commission

Planning Commission Vice-Chair, Blake Neil reported that a Public Hearing for a proposed Zoning Amendment – Taylor Parks Three, at approximately 3850 W 2200 N (RE-20 to RE-15) was set for April 23, 2020. He commented on a Public Hearing that was hosted by the Commission, for the Sherry Barker Property Zoning Amendment (A-1 to RE-20). He noted that the proposed amendment was recommended for approval by the City Council and on the agenda for this meeting. He indicated that, after some discussion, an application for the Mixed-Use Overlay Zone – Elk Horn Properties, at approximately 4325 W 2425 N, was recommended for denial by the Council, and is also on the agenda for this meeting. He reported that the Site Plan for the Wasatch Peaks Credit Union at Kelly's Corner was approved with conditions.

Councilmember Sadler came into the meeting.

Discussion/Motion: Annexation Boundaries

Mayor Beesley explained that City Engineer, Paul Taylor drafted two maps showing the proposed Annexation Boundaries but because of State legislation that was recently passed, restricting annexation, tabling the matter is advisable.

Councilmember Sadler moved to table Discussion/Motion: Annexation Boundaries. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion/Motion: Ordinance – Zoning Amendment – Sherry Barker – A-1 to RE-20 – 3224 W 2200 N

Mayor Beesley restated consensus that the proposed Zoning Amendment is consistent with Future Land Use Map indications. **Councilmember Sadler moved to approve Ordinance 2020-05; Zoning Amendment – Sherry Barker (A-1 to RE-20). Councilmember Beal seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Ordinance – Mixed-Use Overlay Zone – Elk Horn Properties – 4325 W 2425 N

Mayor Beesley described the layout of the proposed Mixed-Use development. He evoked the Planning Commission's recommendation for denial of the application. Councilmember Sadler spoke of planned conditions that do not meet the Purpose and Intent of the Mixed-Use Overlay Zone ordinance. Councilmember Allen agreed with Councilmember Sadler's assessment. Property owner and developer, Jake Rhees indicated that he sought direction from the Technical Review Committee before pursuing the Mixed-Use Overlay for his commercial property. He read the written Purpose and Intent of the Mixed-Use Overlay Zone ordinance. He contended that his plan meets the listed criteria in the code. He reported that the Plain City Fire Marshal reviewed and approved the building, parking and access arrangement. He noted aspects of the proposed development that he feels fit the community well. He explained that additional parking spaces

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were added at the request of the Planning Commission. He indicated that efforts have been made to comply with US Postal Service requirements and Public Works standards. He maintained that the planned commercial spaces in the development will be occupied by flourishing businesses. He pointed out that recommendation for approval of the project was initially moved and seconded by Planning Commissioners before the recommendation for denial was finally agreed upon. Mayor Beesley asked Commissioner Neil to report on comments received at the Public Hearing. Commissioner Neil indicated that many at the hearing expressed concerns over parking conditions. He noted that suggestions were made to either keep the commercial zoning or rezone the parcel to residential. **Councilmember Sadler moved to deny the application for a Mixed-Use Overlay Zone – Elk Horn Properties – 4325 W 2425 N. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. Councilmember Beal abstained. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Taylor Parks Phase 2 Conditional Final Acceptance

Mayor Beesley affirmed that Public Works Director, Dan Schuler has worked with the developer in completing a final checklist for this phase of the subdivision. **Councilmember Allen moved to grant Conditional Final Acceptance of Taylor Parks Phase 2. Councilmember Beal seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Weston, Sadler and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Plain City Cemetery's Proposal with Public Works Department

Mayor Beesley acknowledged that a contract has not been fully negotiated and requested that this item be tabled, pending finalization of the agreement. **Councilmember Sadler moved to table Discussion/Motion: Plain City Cemetery's Proposal with Public Works. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Appointment to Planning Commission

Mayor Beesley reported that Rob Ortega has applied for the Alternate Planning Commissioner position. He commented on Mr. Ortega's experience, and his motivation for serving. He stated that Mr. Ortega will be a great addition to the Planning Commission. Councilmember Sadler asked if other applications were received. Mayor Beesley answered in the negative. Councilmember Allen commented supportively on Mr. Ortega's resume and asked if there is a minimum residency term attendant to the position. City Recorder, Diane Hirschi answered in the negative. Councilmember Weston relayed positive responses from citizens, regarding Mr. Ortega's prospective role with the Planning Commission. **Mayor Beesley appointed Rob Ortega to the Plain City Planning Commission as Alternate Planning Commissioner. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen sustained the appointment.**

Discussion/Motion: Update Draft of Off-road Vehicles Ordinance

Councilmember Skeen indicated that his intent is not fully reflected in the draft, presented for discussion and action. He expressed unease with a mandated purchase of particular insurance coverage, found in the proposed ordinance. Mayor Beesley instructed that a motion can include conditions such as omitting specific parts of the code. He noted that he spoke with Lt. Horton about the provision and has mixed feelings on the matter. Councilmember Beal remarked on past debate of the legality of crossing State roads with an unregistered Off-road Vehicle. She questioned if the terms in Section 4 (e) are accurate. She pointed out that Section 6 -*Penalties and Fines*- is blank. Mayor Beesley indicated that the City Council has yet to determine the penalties and fines associated with infractions of this ordinance. He commented on existing State traffic laws that deal with moving violations like drunk driving and speeding, as well as violations based on the condition or status of a vehicle, such as expired registration. He recommended that State imposed fines, penalties and fees for traffic offenses should remain, as established. Councilmember Beal suggested that those State established fines and penalties be referenced in Section 6. Councilmember Weston proposed deleting Section 6 to avoid confusion. City Attorney, Brandon Richards remarked on statutes in the draft ordinance that are not explicitly addressed in State law. He indicated that those stipulations must have a penalty attached for enforcement purposes. He counseled; such items might simply be called out as infractions of the code, with an ascribed (general) fine. Councilmember Allen emphasized that infractions of ordinance provisions that are presently addressed in State traffic law must be enforced according to State terms - not in addition to, or as an overriding offence. Brandon Richards explained how Section 6 -*Penalties and Fines*- can be written to differentiate such infractions and associated penalizations. Mayor Beesley proposed incremental processing of this ordinance. He stated that the ordinance can be approved – with conditions, if desired – and Section 6 can be finalized afterward. Brandon Richards acknowledged that time will elapse between approval of the draft ordinance and its conversion into a legal document. He indicated that penalties and fines will be added before the text (in ordinance form) is presented for formal enactment. Councilmember Beal restated that there are uncertainties in Section 4, regarding operation of Off-road Vehicles on State roads – specifically crossings at intersections with City roads. Lt. Horton voiced

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accord with the stipulations in Section 4 (e). He queried how Off-road Vehicle operators will be notified of State road locations. He strongly advised that riders be properly educated when obtaining a City sticker, on State road locations and use restrictions. Councilmember Allen reviewed insurance stipulations in the draft ordinance. He made mention of equipment inspections. He commented on the anticipated cost of a certification sticker. Councilmember Weston clarified; the sticker may be obtained with a signed statement of compliance – no inspection will be performed. He asserted that the fee for a sticker will only cover administrative and printing costs. Brandon Richards indicated that once a range for the fee has been decided, staff will be able to set the sticker fee. Mayor Beesley proposed that the fee range be specified as “up to ten dollars”. Councilmember Skeen appealed for future review of the effectiveness of the ordinance and an option to amend the rules. Mayor Beesley submitted that a Council review can be scheduled near the beginning of Fall.

Councilmember Beal weighed tabling a vote on the matter until Section 6 is completed and other changes to the language, as discussed, are made. Councilmember Weston suggested; action should be taken during this meeting if the City Attorney affirms that the proposed modifications will be made when the draft is written in typical ordinance form.

Brandon Richards identified three alterations:

1. Section 1 (d) to include the cost of an endorsement sticker of “up to \$10.00”.
2. Section 6 to specify a \$50.00 fee/penalty for infractions of ordinance statutes that are not covered by State traffic law.
3. An added indication that a map and directives will be made available to applicants, showing the location of State roads in Plain City, outlining lawful crossing procedures, and summarizing State traffic laws related to Off-road Vehicle use.

Councilmember Beal pointed out that enactment of this ordinance cannot take place until certification stickers have been produced. Councilmembers Sadler and Allen implored to review the finalized ordinance, with the proposed alterations, prior to a vote on enactment. **Councilmember Skeen moved to approve the Off-road Vehicles Ordinance with changes as discussed. Councilmember Beal seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.** Brandon Richards agreed to complete work on the ordinance promptly, and have it distributed to the Council for review.

Discussion/Motion: Mission SCADA System for Lift Stations

Mayor Beesley defined SCADA System function gave a brief history of sewer component monitoring in Plain City. He explained; the company that provided Plain City’s original SCADA equipment quoted an unreasonably high price to extend service to additional lift stations in the system. He indicated that Mission has offered to outfit the lift stations with comparable monitoring apparatus for much less. He reported positive reviews (by engineers) of Mission systems. He noted that Mission currently provides monitoring for lift station 17. He stated that installation of the Mission SCADA System was straightforward and the equipment has functioned flawlessly. Dan Schuler listed advantages of the proposed Mission system over that offered by the former SCADA supplier. He stated preference for the Mission SCADA System, due to improved monitoring and reporting, coupled with the much lower quoted price. Mayor Beesley commented on the upshots of specifying the Mission SCADA System in Public Works Standards. Budget provisions were deliberated.

Councilmember Beal referred to claims that the increased price quote from the former SCADA system supplier was due to undisclosed costs and inflation. She questioned if Mission Communications will blindsides the City with such an increase in the future. Dan Schuler answered in the negative. He explained that all anticipated cost is included in Mission’s documented quote. Councilmember Sadler made mention of lift stations that have been considered for elimination. He asked if they will be upgraded, then abandoned – potentially within one or two-year’s time. Dan Schuler emphasized the importance of equipping all lift stations with the monitoring system, as soon as possible. He acknowledged; system improvement will be seen with the elimination of the aforementioned lift stations, but noted that a timeline for revamping the conveyance in those areas is uncertain. Councilmember Sadler contemplated equipment relocation, surplussing and resale options. Councilmember Allen reviewed proposed budget reallocations for the new Mission SCADA System.

Councilmember Sadler moved to add funding of the Mission SCADA System to the Capital Projects list for the Sewer Budget and vote on the proposed purchase and installation in the April 16th City Council meeting. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Beal, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Motion: Approval of Business Licenses

New

Flippin Simple Creations	Philip Hinojosa	2414 N 4350 W	furniture refurbishing/creations
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Renewals

The Dance Establishment	Gary & Peggi Nielsen	4425 W 2350 W	dance instruction
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Frog Pond Preschool Julie Della Lucia 2414 N 4350 W preschool
JDR Inspection Company Dee & Sue Rose 1802 N 4475 W construction loan inspections
Councilmember Sadler moved to approve the business licenses as presented. Councilmember Beal seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Motion: Approval of Warrant Register

See warrant register dated 03/01/2020 to 03/18/2020 and 03/19/2020 to 03/29/2020. **Councilmember Weston moved to approve and pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Sadler seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Beal, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Report from City Council

Councilmember Sadler reported joining a meeting with the Mayor, senators, and landowners; the purpose of which was to examine the anticipated annexation of western land and the impact of H.B. 393. He expressed discouragement over the proceedings. He affirmed that plans for the annexation will be advanced with help of an advocate.

Councilmember Allen gave a shout out to the City employees for commendably adapting to conditions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. He asked if the Pickleball courts are open.

Councilmember Beal expressed gratitude to the community for looking out for each other. She commented positively to examples on social media, of local caring and support.

Councilmember Weston updated those present on work being done to clean out the north, primary sewer pond. He announced that wood chipping has commenced at the landfill. He informed that maintenance and some repairs are due on the chipper, and offered to perform the tasks on his day(s) off. Dan Schuler indicated that the Public Works shop is available to Councilmember Weston, for the maintenance and repair work.

Mayor Beesley thanked Councilmember Weston for his offer to work on the chipper. He commented on the COVID-19 situation and reported precautionary information provided by the Weber-Davis Health Department. He expressed concern over delayed and fractional communications from the Department. He thanked City employees for working through office procedure complications caused by social distancing. He expressed appreciation for Public Works' efforts in trying times - submitting that workers are welcome to wear personal protection gear (PPG) as they see fit. He commented on temporary playground closures.

At 8:33 p.m. Councilmember Sadler moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

City Recorder

Mayor

Date approved

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The City Council of Plain City convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, April 16, 2020, via ZOOM beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jon Beesley, Councilmembers Chad Allen, Buddy Sadler, Don Weston and Todd Skeen
Excused: Councilmember Rachael Beal
Staff: Diane Hirschi, Dan Schuler, Mike Kerswell, Brandon Richards
Also in attendance: Jim Beesley, Brad Jensen, Jory Wahlen, Shawna Faulkner, Kaiden Miller, Jason Patty, Lisa Cox, Tyler, Steven Spiers, Josh, Rob Ortega

Call to Order: Mayor Beesley
Pledge of Allegiance: none
Invocation/Moment of Silence: Councilmember Sadler

The Mayor excused Councilmember Beal and congratulated her on a new baby girl. Condolences were given to Councilmember Skeen for the loss of his mother.

Approval of Minutes from April 2, 2020

Councilmember Sadler moved to approve the minutes from the special meeting on March 28, 2020 and the regular meeting of the City Council on April 2, 2020 as presented. Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Comments: Public

There were none.

Report from Youth Council

No report.

Report from Planning Commission

Planning Commissioner, Shawna Faulkner reported that the Commission reviewed the final subdivision plat for Panunzio Estates Phase 1, 4100 W 1975 N, and recommend that the City Council approve the application, with conditions. She commented on a proposed subdivision amendment for the Wasatch Peaks Credit Union at Kelly's Corner, approximately 3631 W 2600 N, noting that approval of this petition is also recommended by the Planning Commission.

Discussion/Motion: Final Approval of Panunzio Estates Phase 1 at 4100 W 1975 N

Mayor Beesley indicated that project developer, Jeff Hales requested that Discussion/Motion on the Final Approval of Panunzio Estates Phase 1 be tabled, pending completion of changes to the plat. **Councilmember Allen moved to table**

Discussion/Motion: Final Approval of Panunzio Estates Phase 1. Councilmember Sadler seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion/Motion: Subdivision Amendment for Wasatch Peaks Credit Union at Kelly's Corner – 3631 W 2600 N

Councilmember Sadler indicated that the proposed consolidation is acceptable, provided it does not complicate the developer's plan to position and lease out a coffee shop on the property in the future. He proposed that an adjustment of the lot line be completed at this time, instead. Level 5 Senior Project Manager, Jason Patty acknowledged Councilmember Sadler's viewpoint and agreed to submit a new application for an amendment that preserves two separate lots on the property. Shawna Faulkner expressed accord with the concept, suggesting that the parking layout should be reevaluated to ensure adequate parking is planned for the future coffee shop. Jason Patty affirmed that space is available for the parking in question and will be specified on the site plan for the kiosk when that phase is started. **Councilmember Sadler moved to deny the Subdivision Amendment for Wasatch Peaks Credit Union at Kelly's Corner. Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Ordinance for Off-Road Vehicles

Mayor Beesley referred to a formal edition of the Ordinance for Off-Road Vehicles that was distributed to the Council for review and sought feedback. Councilmember Weston clarified that this ordinance is only applicable to vehicles that are not street-legal. Councilmember Skeen voiced approval of the finalized version of the code. **Councilmember Weston**

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moved to approve Ordinance 2020-06 for Off-Road Vehicles. Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion/Motion: City Engineer Appointment

Mayor Beesley introduced Jory Wahlen and Brad Jensen of Wasatch Civil. He reviewed the RFP process and announced that Wasatch Civil has been selected to contract with Plain City for engineering services. Councilmember Weston remarked positively about services provided by Wasatch Civil (Brad Jensen), as the former Plain City Engineer. Councilmember Allen reported hearing of poor performance by Wasatch Civil when they were contracted by the City, in the past. He requested that a one-year review be ordered with their appointment. Mayor Beesley informed that there is a thirty-day notice of separation in the contract. He ordered the requested review be placed on the City Council meeting agenda in one year from this appointment. Jory Wahlen stated that Wasatch Civil contracts with a number of cities and gave an overview of a typical agreement for services. He asserted that Brad Jensen has been an excellent resource for Wasatch Civil and was not at fault for the reported difficulties. He named operational and management malfunctions as the cause of some of the problems, affirming that action has been taken to resolve the issues. He described an expansion of expertise within the firm. Councilmember Allen stressed that his concern is not targeted at Brad Jensen. Mayor Beesley acknowledged that the topic was discussed during the interview process. He commended Jory Wahlen for openly addressing the concerns. He noted that he's heard reports by previous mayors, touting Brad Jensen's excellent work and trustworthiness. He stated that Public Works Director, Dan Schuler and City Recorder, Diane Hirschi were involved in the selection process and had positive things to say about Wasatch Civil and Brad Jensen. **Mayor Beesley appointed Brad Jensen City Engineer. The Council unanimously supported the appointment.**

Discussion/Motion: Mission SCADA System for Lift Stations

Councilmember Allen indicated that the request for Mission SCADA System financing was presented in conflicting terms, at the previous City Council meeting. Dan Schuler explained; two system purchase options were exhibited because current SCADA equipment, installed in four lift stations, was sourced through a different company. He recommended keeping the existing equipment in place and outfitting the remainder of lift stations with Mission SCADA units. He noted that the \$58,000 expenditure for components and installation of Mission SCADA in fourteen lift stations is slated for the City budget in July, 2021. **Councilmember Allen moved to approve the purchase of Mission SCADA System for fourteen Lift Stations with funds from the July, 2021 budget. Councilmember Sadler seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion/Motion: Plain City Cemetery's Proposal with Public Works Department

Mayor Beesley reported that the Plain City Cemetery District has petitioned City Council approval of an agreement with the Public Works Department for grave digging. He indicated that Public Works personnel have recently dug a number of graves and the arrangement appears to be effective. He commented on a draft contract, presented by the Cemetery District Board. Councilmember Allen asked for contract particulars. Mayor Beesley divulged agreement specifications and spoke of amendments he is proposing. Councilmember Sadler asked if the Public Works Department will be using Cemetery District equipment to dig the graves. Mayor Beesley answered in the affirmative. Councilmember Allen spoke of liability and workman's compensation insurance concerns. City Attorney, Brandon Richards affirmed; liability for personnel will be held by Plain City Corporation and their insurer(s), unless specified otherwise in the contract. He noted that equipment and other property damage claims may be conferred to both entities, depending on circumstances. Councilmember Skeen commented on reported issues with the District's sod cutter. Dan Schuler stated that the sod cutter in question functions well. **Councilmember Sadler moved to proceed with formalizing a contract for Plain City Cemetery's Proposal with Public Works Department. Councilmember Weston seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Discussion: Board of Adjustments Options

Mayor Beesley shared a brief history of the Plain City Board of Adjustments' sporadic activity over past decades. He remarked on the possible appointment of a Hearing Officer to replace the traditional Board of Adjustments. Brandon Richards described matters that are heard by the Board of Adjustments. He identified influences, not founded in law, that have swayed Board decisions. Councilmember Sadler indicated that a Hearing Officer would be a welcomed addition to the City development program. He verified that decisions made by a Hearing Officer can be appealed to, and/or overruled by the City Council. He expressed approval of retaining a Hearing Officer in leu of assembling a Board of Adjustments.

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Discussion/Motion: City Council Assignments

Mayor Beesley stated that he assigned himself to most administrative segments of Plain City operations. He told of his active participation in assisting department directors throughout the first two years of his term. He proposed that Councilmember Sadler be sustained as Mayor Pro Temp. He noted that Councilmember Sadler is delegated to continue activity with the Weber Mosquito Abatement District. He indicated that Councilmember Weston is assigned to work with Landfill operators and assist with Sewer Treatment/Environmental Services strategies. He asked Councilmember Allen to continue representing Plain City in the Fremont 5 Communities that Care Coalition. He reported choosing Councilmember Skeen to aid with City facilities and land management undertakings. He indicated that Councilmember Beal has been given the assignment to coordinate irrigation interests. Councilmember Allen acknowledged the aptness of the reported assignments and accepted his own – noting some scheduling obstacles. He suggested that Councilmember Skeen and Councilmember Beal have been given lesser assignments, inferring that the apportionment of responsibility seems condescending. Mayor Beesley referred to assignments, typically given to councilmembers, that he willingly will assume, himself. He acknowledged that few assignments remain open for the new members of City Council to fill. He offered to confer an assignment for Planning Commission coordination, to a councilmember. He listed some of the responsibilities associated with Councilmember Skeen’s facilities and land management assignment. Councilmember Skeen voiced acceptance of the role. Mayor Beesley outlined various duties associated with Councilmember Beal’s assignment to irrigation management. **Councilmember Skeen moved to accept the City Council Assignments as presented. Councilmember Sadler seconded the motion. Councilmembers Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. Councilmember Allen voted no. The motion carried.**

Motion: Approval of Business Licenses

New

Swift Rain Gutter Solutions	Tyler Swift	3733 W 1975 N	office for construction business
Phenix Ventures LLC	Marci Shupe	4716 W 2050 N	purchase & maintain rental properties
Quality Cleaning Plus, Inc	Tami Wilson	2153 N 3700 W	cleaning business

Renewals

Little Pockets Preschool	Karlee Foulger	1638 N 4400 W	preschool
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Councilmember Sadler moved to approve the business licenses as presented. Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.

Motion: Approval of Warrant Register

See warrant register dated 04/01/2020 to 04/14/2020. **Councilmember Allen moved to approve and pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. Councilmembers Allen, Sadler, Weston and Skeen voted aye. The motion carried.**

Report from City Council

Councilmember Allen reported that he met, earlier in the day, with the Fremont 5 Communities that Care Coalition. He commented on a positive message sign campaign and other work the Coalition is engaged in. He noted that since school has been cancelled, it’s more difficult to get word out on planned activities and classes. He mentioned a financial grant of \$1000, given to the Fremont 5 Communities that Care Coalition this year, by the Plain City Council and requested that the same donation be allocated in the budget, next year. He stated that he did not intend to mock or insult Councilmember Skeen when he questioned the veracity of his assignment.

Councilmember Skeen expressed appreciation for support shown by City staff and Council at the passing of his mother. He affirmed that he did not take offense at Councilmember Allen’s remarks.

Councilmember Weston gave a status update on sewer system maintenance and renovations. He remarked on a proposal to replace the Plain City recycling program with a green waste arrangement. He commented on changing the residential sewer billing structure.

Councilmember Sadler offered to help Councilmember Weston formulate a residential sewer billing schedule. He revisited a request by the Fire Department for replacement of a Fire Department storage building that was demolished when a new restroom facility and bowery was built at Lee Olsen Park.

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Mayor Beesley conveyed condolences to Councilmember Skeen. He requested that the proposed green waste program be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next City Council meeting. He noted that residential sewer billing will be the topic at the next meeting. He thanked City employees and the Council for their flexibility and willingness to provide constant service through unpredictable circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. He applauded citizens for heeding social distancing directives. He spoke of contradictory information on the virus, provided by health and governmental authorities. He explained actions that he has taken to safeguard the wellbeing of residents. He reported that President Trump announced new guidelines for reopening communities as soon as May 1, now that the coronavirus appears to be leveling in the US, but left the decision up to state and local officials. He expressed agreement with the timetable. He noted that he is available to residents by phone or email to answer questions or hear concerns.

At 8:17 p.m. Councilmember Sadler moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilmember Skeen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

City Recorder

Mayor

Date approved