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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council  
Thursday, December 22, 2022

Those in attendance: Jon Thomson, Randy Benglan, Leah Navarro and Jill Makuaole.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bid on demolition of the city owned house in Buddy Campbell Park.

Mayor Thompson – We have a tentative estimate, possible 30 loads to the dump. The final estimate will be included in the regular January City Council meeting. There are actually four buildings to remove.

Building Inspector training for Hudson Saffell

Hudson Saffell, Code Compliance Officer – This is in my budget. I am having trouble getting inspectors here. Having been in construction myself you need someone with a license. My proposal is to have it in house, this will take time and training. This is the best way. The first training is in Salt Lake City. The first one I was recommended to take was the residential. The cost is \$795 for five days. I am requesting that I am paid my regular wages. Two days later I take the test.

Randy Benglan, Councilmember – Is the training adequate?

Hudson Saffell Code Compliance Officer – They have a book that I will be training and testing from. It is a guaranteed pass. If I don't pass I can take the test again for free in five days. To be certified I have to pass the exam. You are certified right then. The total certification is \$1036.00 I would like to go for the commercial inspector in September as well, that cost would be \$936.00. I could also inspect fire suppression and continue on to Fire Marshall.

Joyce Bosen, Councilmember – Is there a conflict of interest?

Mayor Thomson – We have hired with the state, but the reality is that our code compliance already does 60% and the state does 40%. The state can't come up with the man power to do the job.

Hudson Saffell, Code Compliance Officer – We would keep the plumbing and electrical as is, they are really good and come out

right way.

Leah Navarro, Councilmember – So if you needed to call in the state inspector can you?

Hudson Saffel, Code Compliance Officer – I would call the city Engineer.

Motion to spend the \$1036.00 for Hudson.

Motion by Randy Benglan

Second by Joyce Bosen      All Aye

#### CAL Ranch Bill

Mayor Thomson – This bill was missed, but it needs to be paid.

Motion to approve.

Motion by Randy Benglan.

Second by Leah Navarro      All Aye

#### Contract for Canda Dimick

Mayor Thomson – This is not much different than other contract agreements. Gary Cooper, City Attorney, sent it to Canda Dimick a few days ago. Canda Dimick called me a few minutes ago with changes, page 3 second paragraph change or other. Page 1 services client Mayor or by motion...She wants the 'or' taken out. Second paragraph I have to have access to Black Mountain to do the job.

Motion for page one to read mayor and by, Page  
2 contractor shall have access to Black Mountain.  
Page 3 Remove the word alter.

Motion by Randy Benglan

Second by Leah Navarro

Randy: Aye

Leah: Aye

Joyce: Aye

#### Business License Renewals

Mayor Thomson – I had Chandra make up a list, 1 - renewal applications that are current on taxes and 2 – renewal applications NOT current on taxes.

Leah Navarro – What will we do with those not in compliance?

Mayor Thompson - What are you talking about?

Hudson Saffell, Code Compliance Officer – There are some compliance issues, I sent letters to Zipline and Tube Trailers. I am waiting to get this stuff. The biggest thing is the tube trailers blocking the road. I want something written as to how they can enforce maximum capacity, I have the authority to stop these things.

Leah Navarro, Councilmember– Also one has no phone number, one has no commercial garbage and they don't plow their sidewalks. All you have to do is post a notice. You have to hit them with a fine. There are some compliance things. They never put their garbage cans away.

Joyce Bosen, Councilmember – I agree with Leah Navarro but There must be a paper trail that they have been ticketed.

Hudson Saffell, Code Compliance Officer – We have never established a fine for not cleaning our sidewalk.

Mayor Thomson – To make them in compliance you must enforce

it. Do we expand into 8 or 9 fineable codes?

Leah Navarro, Councilmember – How many are food trucks?  
Because the food truck must have a place to park.

Motion to approve all except for Hillside Retreat,  
Kendal's Cozy Cottage, Red Roost, Winzig and  
King's Creek.

Motion by Randy Benglan.

Second by Joyce Bosen

Randy Benglan: Aye

Joyce Bosen: Aye

Leah Navarro: Nay

#### **Adjourn Meeting**

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Motion by Randy Benglan.

Second by Leah Navarro.

All Aye



