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**MINUTES OF THE SPRINGDALE TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015
AT 5:00 PM AT SPRINGDALE TOWN HALL, 118 LION BLVD., SPRINGDALE, UTAH**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Stanley J. Smith, Councilmembers Mark Chambers, Adrian Player, Bill Weyher, Mike Alltucker

ALSO PRESENT: Town Manager Rick Wixom, DCD Tom Dansie, Town Treasurer Dawn Wallace, CCC Director Julie Hancock, Police Officer Jared Barker and Town Clerk Darci Carlson recording; 16 citizens signed in, per attached list.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Officer Jared Barker.

Approval of agenda: Motion made by Mark Chambers to approve the agenda as posted; seconded by Adrian Player.

Weyher: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Smith: Aye

Player: Aye

Alltucker: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/Announcements/Non-action items

Visitors Bureau report: Nate Wells announced:

- The Visitors Bureau took January off but efforts to redo the brochure and promote the website www.zionpark.com were underway.
- Goals will emphasize what membership would like to see and where value can be added. They will continue to fully support the events in Town.
- The group is actively looking for volunteers to work on the committee. Contact Nate Wells or Liz West for information.

Zion Park update: Superintendent Bradybaugh announced:

- The final visitation statistics for 2014 were in and it was a record year with 3.2 million people visiting. This was good for tourism and economic development but provided challenges.
- The Park planned to tweak the shuttle schedule based on peak times and hours during busy season.
- The Visitor Center parking project was going on to add 168 more spaces. They were also adding lighting in the area to address safety concerns but have discussed coordinating this effort with Mayor Smith and Rick Wixom to protect the night sky.
- The comment period for proposed changes to the fee structure ends January 23rd. Write or go on the website to provide comments.
- Seasonal position vacancies have been announced and can be found on the federal website www.usajobs.com.

Mayor Smith said he had a discussion with someone about Park entrance fees. They asked what incentive there was to pay for a park pass when there were so many "free" days. Superintendent Bradybaugh indicated these

days were controlled by Congress. They try to move these comments up through the Legislative Affairs Office. The Park itself only has some discretion as it relates to fees. Congress makes the majority of these decisions. It is important for the public to provide comments and concerns.

Z-Arts report: Nancy Guardabascio announced the following:

- The Z-Arts annual fundraising gala in December, held at the Switchback, was very fun and financially successful.
- The annual retreat was this month to set their strategic goals.
- January 30th Cuatros Camino Arts and Flamenco show at the CCC at 7:00pm with dancers and musicians.
- On February 6th Julian G would be performing at the CCC.
- Its grant writing season again so Z-Arts will be making applications to the Utah Arts and Museums Council.

General Plan report: DCD Tom Dansie announced:

- The Planning Commission is working on an update to the Springdale General Plan but it is only as good as the community input. During next Tuesday's meeting they will be reviewing chapters 6-12 and inviting public comment. The chapters can be found on the Town website.
- University of Utah students will present the results of their "Listening to Springdale" project to the Planning Commission the end of January/beginning of February.
- Design of the street light project is going on and will allow for opportunity for public input. A public meeting will be scheduled for end of January/beginning of February.
 - Mayor Smith said the Council will be making important decisions about the street lighting project and encouraged people in the audience to stay. One question is, do they use existing poles or put in new ones. The Council would love public input. This is something that will be seen and up for many years.

Community questions:

None were asked.

Actions Items – Administrative

Audit presentation for the FY 2013-2014 budget – Caleb Rees, Rees Certified Public Accountants:

Mayor Smith said the Town switched auditors about a year ago and Caleb Rees was here to make a presentation. Mr. Rees thanked the Council for agreeing to switch auditors. He also acknowledged the assistance of Mr. Wixom, Ms. Wallace and Ms. Carlson during the audit process.

Mr. Rees provided electronic copies of the audit to Councilmembers. He also provided a PowerPoint summary of the presentation. He prefers to look at a five year window, rather than just one year, because this can be an outlier and not a true indication of what is happening. Law requires them to have an independent auditor's report. Springdale received a clean opinion which is the highest form of review. Nothing material was missing.

An internal control report looks at the segregation of duties and how the assets are protected. No material weaknesses or deficiencies were noted. For state compliance, again there was nothing material missing. There was one instance of immaterial compliance and this was with the inter-fund reimbursement.

- Town Hall uses water and they should be charged the same rates as other consumers.
- Essentially the General Fund is paying the Water Fund and money is being moved from one pocket to another so-to-speak. To ensure compliance, management will meter where possible or come up with reasonable estimates of usage. Then Water Fund will be reimbursed.

The five year comparisons included:

- General Fund balance has increased significantly over the past five years. According to Utah State law, the Town cannot hold reserves more than 75% of revenues. As of June 30th the Town was at 73%. Mr. Rees said he spoke to Mr. Wixom about this and discussed projects where funds can be spent so constituents receive the benefits of paying their taxes. Cash balance has increased and liabilities are consistent or have slightly dropped.
- Water Fund cash balance has increased over the last five years. Liabilities have decreased. Net income, if you take out 2010 due to incoming grant funds, was in healthy condition.
- Sewer Fund cash balance had increased over the last five years. Net income and liabilities were consistent.
 - Mayor Smith spoke to Mr. Wixom and they would like to take money from the Sewer Fund and move it to the Water Fund. Since they cannot directly move money from fund to fund they suggested this could be done with an increase in water rates and a decrease in sewer rates.
- Irrigation Fund cash balance has decreased over the last five years. The fund actually owes and is overdrawn slightly. Net income was down and had not been positive since 2010. Liabilities were relatively consistent. Since the fund is not in a healthy condition Town should consider alternative ways to improve the health of the fund.
- Building Authority cash as steadily increased. No change to liabilities and net income is relatively consistent. Shows a healthy balance between revenues with expenditures.

Mr. Alltucker said the report was easy to read. He inquired about the pension for Town employees and asked if the fund was sound or if any unfunded liability could potentially fall back to the Town. Mr. Rees answered that retirement systems were changing and once enrolled you are committed. Actuarial rates are set by the Utah Retirement System. Financial statements will now reflect any unfunded pension liability that the Town may have. Sometimes the market is volatile and therefore the pension fund dips below the required funding. It would become a Town liability if the state was unable to pay.

Mayor Smith indicated he had heard good reports about Mr. Rees from Mr. Wixom and Ms. Wallace. He wanted to publically commend both Mr. Wixom and Ms. Wallace for their work on the Town finances. It is nice not to have to worry about where to get money, only where to spend it.

Mr. Wixom proposed they renew Mr. Rees' contract for next year. The Councilmembers did not see any issues with this.

Consideration of proposal and possible action regarding the 2015 Zion Canyon Music Festival:

The Mayor reminded the audience that public comments would not be taken. There was a meeting last week for input.

Mr. Alex Pelton, co-chair of the Zion Canyon Music Festival, addressed the Council. He thanked the Councilmembers for the financial segway as it indicated the Town had money to spend and he had a great idea on how to do that.

- Last week's meeting was great and there was lots of support. It was productive. The Council posed questions and concerns over the future of the event. Over the past week the committee worked diligently to answer the Council's questions. The community had shown their support of the Festival with offers of in-kind donations, money and volunteer time. He hoped the report submitted to the Council on Friday answered their questions.

Councilmember Chambers thanked everyone for their work. He knows it is an important event for many. The report provided guidance and valid points and illustrates the amount of work it takes to pull off. He reiterated that no one from the Council has indicated they don't want the Festival. Whereas you think there is a lot of money in the budget, the Council addresses topics such as culinary water and street lights. The Council must

look at staff time to budgets to everything. Mr. Pelton interjected and said their hope was to generate their own funds and not have to count on Town for financial support.

Mr. Chambers had a number of questions and comments.

- On the organizational chart, he said admissions and auction should fall under the fiscal manager.
- He questioned Julie Hancock's hours at only 66. She attended each of the committee meetings and the week of the festival required a lot of time. He recommended her time be increased to 160 hours.
- Currently they show Town staff in charge of the auction. He said they should switch out Pam Humphreys for a volunteer and put the hours under Ms. Hancock.
- Mr. Chambers noted that less than one-third of the committee was from Springdale. He suggested the committee increase the representation from local volunteers. They should include one Town Councilmember on the committee as a voting member.
- He questioned why the committee suggested they form a LLC rather than a 501c3. As a 501c3 they would have an easier time getting donations and grants.
 - Mr. Pelton said they were discussing this and looking at both options right now. They hoped Wasatch and Squatters would take over the responsibility but he mentioned the DABC may be changing their laws. Another option would be for a restaurant to take on the liability.
 - Mr. Weyher asked if it takes quite a bit of time to get a 501c3 in place. Mr. Chambers said it was a pretty quick process. Getting the IRS letter allowing you to be tax-deductible and collect donations takes a while. They can still take money in, but it's not tax-deductible until the IRS ok's.
 - Mr. Player concurred. If properly formed it doesn't take long. They need to apply correctly and pay the fee. Mr. Pelton thought they should have it figured out soon.

Mr. Weyher expressed his appreciation for the committee's hard work. The proposal they submitted helped a lot.

Mr. Pelton said there is lots of passion in the group. They were not doing it for financial gain. It was a labor of love. They hoped to work with the Town on points where their involvement was a necessity. For example, they could not have alcohol on the field without the Town and this was the main reason for their involvement. The committee would continue to grow the sponsorship.

Mr. Alltucker also appreciated the work. It was a testament to their passion. He had a motion that was designed to spur deliberation and amendments.

Motion made by Mike Alltucker for the Town to continue in its traditional role as the sponsor for the 2015 Zion Canyon Music Festival with the following conditions: (1) that one staff person be assigned to the overall responsibility for the success of the festival; (2) that an accounting system be implemented that will track all revenues and expenses from the Festival including all staff payroll, taxes and benefit costs associated in the planning and execution of the Festival; (3) that a system be implemented to track all staff hours expended in the planning and execution of the Festival and which will also track additional staff benefits such as comp time, sick leave, etc. that may be accrued in the planning and execution of the Festival; (4) that a budget be created and presented to Council prior to the February meeting showing a positive cash flow to the Town from the Festival; (5) that staff hours used in the planning and execution of the Festival be limited to 300 hours; (6) that the staff report to the Council on a periodic basis with an update on the Festival including; the budget vs actual financials, staff hours incurred to-date and any additional benefits accrued to-date; (7) that all alcohol sales at the event be through a third party who will provide the Town with an appropriate level of liability insurance coverage; (8) that a zip code survey of the people attending the Festival be conducted and those results be presented in a post Festival report to the Council; seconded by Bill Weyher.

Mr. Weyher said the motion more than covered what he was thinking. It needs to have a budget and the staff hours that are expended, plus mention of alcohol sales.

Mr. Player agreed the motion was good but the Council needed to add something about formation of a 501c3 to take over the event except where the Town needed to be involved.

- To help summarize, the Mayor said it sounded as though Mr. Player wanted an amendment whereby the ZCMF committee would lessen the burden on the Town over the next 'x' number of years.
- Mr. Player wanted the burden to be taken off the town by 2016.

Amendment by Mark Chambers that a 501c3, or other proper company such as a LLC, be formed to take over the organization and production of Zion Canyon Music Festival. At the end of the 2015 Music Festival (October) the transition from the Town to the newly formed organization will occur. When the new organization is formed it will have the opportunity to apply for grants and assistance from the Town; seconded by Adrian Player.

Mr. Chambers said the Festival cannot continue without the Town's support. There is enough history and support that it needs to continue. The Music Festival's focus of sustainability, education and community is also achieved with Earth Day too but for much less cost. The only reason the Town has to be involved is the liquor and ball field. They may consider changing the ordinance to allow another organization to sell alcohol on the ball field. Mr. Chambers asked Mr. Wixom if this was a state ordinance. It is not; therefore the Town could change the ordinance.

Mr. Wixom explained it is a parks and public places ordinance and not in Title 10 therefore it would not need to go to the Planning Commission, just the Town Council. The original intent was for the Town to have a hand in an event where alcohol was served on its property.

Mayor Smith suggested the Town Council have an opportunity to review and discuss the status of staff hours being used for Festival planning at monthly Council meetings. That way they can allocate additional hours if needed. Mr. Chambers suggested an amendment to the motion that would clarify periodic updates be monthly updates.

Mayor Smith called for a vote on the amendment:

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Amendment by Mark Chambers to clarify that periodic updates are to be monthly Town Council meetings; seconded by Adrian Player.

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

No further discussion on the main motion. Mayor Smith called for a vote:

Alltucker: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Weyher: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of work release 2015-01 Culinary Water Master Plan Update – Sunrise Engineering:

Mayor Smith announced that Tom Jorgensen from Sunrise Engineering was in attendance to answer questions and clarify the work release if necessary.

Mr. Alltucker stated that in 2008 there was a full master plan for culinary water that cost \$19K. This proposal is an update to that plan and leaves out elements that were included in the master plan. Therefore Mr. Alltucker wanted to know why an update cost \$24K.

Mr. Jorgensen indicated that a main aspect not addressed previously was that the treatment system was nearing capacity. Sunrise will not just look at the current system but conduct a feasibility cost analysis, consider the state standards and provide options. They will outline payoffs versus benefits. This information will help the Town Council make decisions in the future.

Mr. Player said last year he attended a presentation of the culinary and irrigation system and whether it would meet the needs of the community for the next ten years. What he ascertained is that the system was fine and could support additional houses and hotels; therefore why the \$24K cost.

Mr. Jorgensen continued that there were three different ways to look at the Town's water requirement:

- First, look at water rights and the amount available to give the community and also service; Town is good here.
- Next is source capacity or physical amount of water the Virgin River can provide; Town is good here.
- The third restraining requirement is the treatment plant; this is where the bottleneck is right now.

Mr. Wixom provided data about the treatment plant capacity and said they have had spikes of up to 350 gallons/minute, but upper 200 gallons/minute was standard.

Mr. Jorgensen indicated the treatment plant has a 400 gallons/minute capacity. If the need exceeds this, the system cannot deliver enough water. All of the points in the 2009 report will be readdressed. The bulk of the \$24K will be spent on a feasibility analysis of the treatment system.

Mayor Smith said one of his concerns is that in four years the Town is faced with making decisions out of desperation. This gives us time to make good decisions.

Mr. Chambers did not see Rockville in the scope and asked if they needed to be included. Sunrise Engineering did the plan for Rockville and was privy to this information. Since Springdale's plan addressed all the places the water goes it would therefore include Rockville. Mr. Chambers said that currently Springdale was providing water to them on an emergency basis but assumed in the Rockville proposal it was more than that. Mr. Wixom said they need to have discussions with Rockville regarding their projected growth. If Rockville wants to use Springdale as a source there needs to be an agreement in place that addresses costs, percentages and capacity.

- Mayor Smith mentioned that Rockville had asked to receive lower rates so the water can be resold.
- Mr. Wixom said this was in response to a radium issue. The state monitors and testing found radium to be outside the maximum threshold. It has since come down but they need to develop a long term plan to address their water needs. Mayor Smith agreed and said this is definitely something to look at with Rockville over the next few years.

Mr. Weyher stated that in the proposal Sunrise talks about the sewer being replaced. He wanted to know if this would be addressed in the report. Mr. Wixom said no, but they would identify a time period to consider. Sunrise helps the Town analyze the numbers in the report.

Mr. Jorgensen said it was not a capacity issue, it was a deterioration issue. If the Town is putting too many resources into fixing and maintaining then it is probably time to replace. The life expectancy is 40-100 years and the Town is at 40 years now. As of right now, it seems ok.

- Mr. Weyher said that some sections will last longer than others. We want to address when the maintenance gets out of hand.
- Mr. Jorgensen indicated that Robbie Totten and Dave Hans know the pipes and they are not screaming yet.

Mr. Alltucker asked if the waste water plan was camera-ed. Mr. Wixom indicated they clean the system on a three-year rotation. The lines below the restaurants are cleaned every year.

Mr. Alltucker expressed that he is familiar with truss pipes and failures can be catastrophic. Mr. Weyher asked if there was plenty of capacity in the sewer ponds to which Mr. Jorgensen answered 'yes'. There are upgrades that need to happen over time, but the ponds are sufficient.

Mr. Jorgensen said Sunrise Engineering put together a water conservation plan five years ago to meet the funding requirements of the water improvement projects. When the application was submitted they were informed the water conservation plan needed to be updated again in order to get funding for a planning grant. There was a miscommunication between Sunrise and the state however, which may require the plan be updated for a construction grant not the planning grant. It is still not clear, but if the water conservation plan needs to be updated before they award the grant, the plan update will cost about \$1500-\$2000.

Given the information Mr. Jorgensen provided about the grant, Mayor Smith asked if there needed to be anything special added to the motion. Mr. Wixom suggested the master plan for the water plan needed to be contingent on funding.

Motion made by Mark Chambers to authorize the work release of the 2015-01 Culinary Water Master Plan Update with Sunrise Engineering and authorize the Mayor to sign with the stipulation that work is conditional upon the drinking water planning grant being approved and should not begin until after the grant has been approved; seconded by Mike Alltucker.

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Regarding the lagoons, Mr. Wixom said there was a bad smell issue which gradually declined. They thought it might be the oxygen levels and therefore ran both pumps. They will look at demand in February and March and start to track. If the oxygen levels decline, they will turn the pumps on earlier. Pumps are grid tied, so solar offsets, but there will be a cost to run the second pump.

Budget Hearing: Resolution 2015-04 Open and amend FY 2014-15 budget:

Mr. Wixom said this amendment is based on items the Council has already approved: salaries adjustments, cemetery road improvements, and repair of the shop road. It also included a funding request for police department body cameras. He explained this was a good direction to go given what is currently happening

nationally. Chief Wright is investigating policies and procedures to go along with the camera. The cost for cameras is a couple thousand dollars and could be appropriated from other funds. Mayor Smith said the state is heavily leaning in this direction so it would be good to be ahead of the curve. It was a no-brainer in his mind.

Public comments and questions: There were no public questions.

Motion to open budget hearing by Mark Chambers; seconded by Bill Weyher.

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public comments: There were no public comments.

Motion to close budget hearing by Mark Chambers; seconded by Bill Weyher:

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

No further Council discussion.

Motion by Mark Chambers to adopt Resolution 2015-04 to open and amend the budget for FY year 2014-15, seconded by Adrian Player.

Alltucker: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of street light project progress, including discussion of light fixture style:

Mayor Smith said he and Mr. Wixom talked to the manager of the Park's parking lot project. They are able to use him as a resource. Both the Town and Park will be sharing information and working cooperatively.

Mr. Dansie provided the Council a status update and announced that J.D. Simmons from Forsgren was in attendance tonight to answer technical questions.

- Tonight they would mainly talk about specific design issues:
 - Use of existing Rocky Mountain Power wood poles to mount fixtures or go with a decorative style pole
 - Discuss the extent of the project – are we replacing what we have or are we adding more lighting in areas where lighting currently does not exist
 - Should Town install an electric vehicle charging station
 - Height of light poles

The wood poles are owned by Rocky Mountain Power and will stay up regardless because they carry the power transmission lines. They have the cobra head light on them. The Town engineers suggest the best and most

effective lighting would come from using the existing pole locations and spacing but identified some difficulties. Can decorative fixtures be used from a technical and aesthetic standpoint. If non-decorative fixtures are used, we would need to amend the ordinance.

Mr. Simmons said an issue lies with the LED cobra heads. They can easily switch the existing cobra heads to LEDs, but they don't make a decorative fixture that fits what is currently there. Mr. Weyher asked if the LEDs would comply with the night sky ordinance. Mr. Dansie said yes, however if they were not decorative fixtures this would be noncompliant.

- Mayor Smith asked how difficult it was to use decorative LED fixtures. Mr. Simmons did not know.
- Mr. Chambers asked if Forsgren was looking at different lengths to which Mr. Simmons answered 'yes'. There were also no issues with the Town using the Rocky Mountain Power poles.
- Mr. Chambers pointed out that some poles do not have lights on them. Mr. Dansie said this would remain the case.

Mr. Dansie said the current mounting height was 25'. They were considering lowering to 16' or 20' to minimize the amount of light trespass. This would require them to add more poles to get the same coverage. Therefore Mr. Dansie asked the Council if it was more important to have lower mounting heights and therefore more poles. Mr. Weyher wanted to know if this would apply to the whole Town. Mr. Dansie said it would.

In discussions with Zion National Park, Mr. Wixom said they needed to consider the scale of the Town and the character of the lights. They need to consider what new pole height will look good, perform well and be cost efficient.

Mayor Smith said the Park had rented an Ahern portable light station and attached lights at different heights to see the affect. He thought this was a great idea.

Mr. Weyher asked if there was a preliminary plan from UDOT to add poles. Mr. Wixom said they went from a count of 19 to 35.

Mr. Chambers asked how many lights are currently on the wood poles. Mr. Wixom answered there are 44 total. Nineteen are on steel poles and 25 are on wood poles. Mr. Chambers said lights on power poles are being discussed tonight so this is approximately 15. He said there are many variables, but if this number is a constant they can estimate costs.

Mr. Dansie indicated that decorative lights are a requirement on the highway only. They are not a code requirement elsewhere.

- The Mayor said he did not want to see a mish moss of different lighting fixtures throughout the Town. Mr. Wixom agreed that consistency would carry weight.
- Mr. Alltucker felt that if the project is done, it's a gateway to our community and what people will see when they drive into Springdale. The Council should give Forsgren direction to standardize. He prefers more fixtures and less height.
- Mayor Smith indicated that the Town does have money they need to spend. He would be happy to spend it on the street lighting. Mr. Weyher said the lights will be there for years so they should be done right.
- Mr. Chambers felt the visual impact was important. He pointed out the ordinance is specific and states "shall have decorative light fixtures". It would be wrong to change the ordinance to accommodate something different.
- Mr. Wixom thought the lights should be consistent, decorative and small scale.

Mr. Weyher asked if UDOT had any requirements on height. Mr. Dansie said they did not have any restrictions.

Mr. Chambers thought they had been comparing light height to those at the shuttle stops and this is what people were envisioning. These are at about 10'-12' however. Mr. Wixom said 16', 18' or 20' would be good. Mayor Smith thought they should test the heights.

Superintendent Bradybaugh spoke from the audience and said the Park test was done with three light heights to give an idea of spread. Mr. Dansie agreed that a test was a good idea to determine light trespass. By lowering pole height and adding more poles you get more light output. It would be a trade-off of competing goals.

Mayor Smith wanted to be sure staff was clear on direction. Mr. Dansie reiterated the direction - decorative lights, located at different pole heights.

Mr. Dansie continued and said they need to look at areas not currently lit:

- Down near the Majestic View
- Lion Boulevard to the Tribal Arts building, then to the Park
- And Lion Boulevard

Mr. Weyher pointed out that the last lights are at Balanced Rock and near his property. Mr. Chambers said people were concerned about the Majestic View pedestrian cross walk. Mr. Wixom said there are safety issues that need to be mitigated near that shuttle stop. There was discussion about the light spacing in the central commercial zone versus other areas on the highway.

- Mr. Simmons said they can add lights to the model and see what it would look like spaced out. They can add all areas of concern to the model.

Mr. Dansie said the next item to consider where the electric vehicle charging stations. Mr. Weyher knew the Park had one at the Lodge and asked Superintendent Bradybaugh to explain. Superintendent Bradybaugh said the Park received a grant to install the charging station. It will eventually be metered and users will pay a small charge to the Park's non-profit. The Park owns it but it is on Xanterra's electrical system. To promote use, the Park may eventually cover the cost.

- Mayor Smith said if it's a choice between lights on Lion Boulevard versus a charging station, he would prefer the lights.
- Mr. Chambers confirmed power would be added to the conduit and then the Town could decide later where charging stations would be. He asked if towns were doing this or private enterprise. Mr. Simmons did not think towns were but along the I15 corridor certain rest stops had them installed by car manufacturers such as Tesla. The Mayor thought it would be a good promotion for Tesla to partner with a town near a national park.
- Mr. Dansie suggested they pursue car manufacturers to install as done in Salt Lake City.

Mr. Wixom suggested the Town use warm toned light color and stay away from blue light. To this Superintendent Bradybaugh added that the light intensity can also be filtered.

Mayor Smith pointed out that Rockville was ahead of Springdale in that they already had LED lights.

Mr. Chambers asked about the plan for funding. Mr. Simmons said Forsgren had finished the application for the USDARD. They also researched state of Utah low interest loans. USAVE can give 2% for 10 years. They have \$1MM to give out, but Mr. Wixom said awards are based on savings of pre versus post project. They could not get all the funding from this source.

USDARD would contribute about \$50K and UDOT had a grant opportunity. Given this, Mr. Chambers felt the Town would get the money to fund one way or another or use the General Fund. Mayor Smith also was not worried about funding.

- Mr. Wixom said they will look for every funding source possible. The staff report only listed what Forsgren has identified so far.

Mr. Alltucker asked if an environmental/NEPA study had been conducted or would that come later. Mr. Simmons said that would be a component of the funding.

Discussion of matching funds for Historic Preservation Grant:

Mr. Dansie told the Council the Historic Preservation Commission was working on a number of preservation issues. In order to move forward in accomplishing their work, they need to identify the historic assets in Town.

- They are applying for a grant through the State Historic Preservation Office to do a reconnaissance level survey. A contractor will be hired to identify properties likely to contribute to the Town's historic character and outline strategies for preservation.
- This is not an in-depth study but a snapshot of assets to give the Commission a framework. They are in the process of getting bids and not sure of the exact cost, but the estimate should not exceed \$8,000 or approximately \$18-\$22/building surveyed.
- There was a 50% local match requirement. If the Council feedback is supportive the Historic Preservation Commission requests money in the budget next year.
- The grant is due February 13th. In order to submit, the Commission needs to know if the Council supports.

Mr. Chambers said they should support. The General Plan gives guidance on the topic in Chapter 6. He quoted section 6.1.1.d "support the organization and operation of a Springdale Historical Society". And, 6.1.2.e "seek resource, e.g., grants, expertise, on historical preservation, and volunteer labor and materials". He felt the funding request was not much. The Town has history to be preserved.

Mayor Smith indicated there would be no action tonight, just direction to staff that the Council is supportive.

Resolution 2015-01 Appointment of Adrian Player to the Rockville/Springdale Fire Protection District – effective January 1, 2015

Mayor Smith said last month Mr. Player was appointed but we needed a resolution to support.

Motion made by Mike Alltucker to adopt Resolution 2015-01 to appoint Adrian Player to the Rockville/Springdale Fire Protection District, effective January 1, 2015, with correction to the ending term date of 2018; seconded by Mark Chambers:

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2015-02 Appointment of Bill Weyher to the Mosquito Abatement District Board – effective January 1, 2015:

Mayor Smith said each year the county requires this appointment.

Motion made by Adrian Player to adopt Resolution 2015-02 to appoint Bill Weyher to the Mosquito Abatement District Board effective January 1, 2015; seconded by Mark Chambers.

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2015-03 Appointment of Stanley J. Smith to the Washington County Solid Waste District Board – effective January 1, 2015

Motion made by Mark Chambers to adopt Resolution 2015-03 to appoint Stanley J. Smith to the Washington County Solid Waste District Board effective January 1, 2015; seconded by Bill Weyher.

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Mike Marriott as Planning Commissioner for term expiring January 2018

Mayor Smith asked Mike Marriott if he would continue on with the Planning Commission and he accepted.

Motion made by Mark Chambers to appoint Mike Marriott to the Springdale Planning Commission for a three year term expiring January 2018; seconded by Adrian Player:

Alltucker: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Randy Taylor as Planning Commissioner for term expiring February 2018

Mayor Smith also asked Mr. Taylor to continue on as Planning Commissioner and he accepted.

Motion made by Adrian Player to appoint Randy Taylor to the Springdale Planning Commission for a three year term expiring February 2018; seconded by Bill Weyher:

Alltucker: Aye

Player: Aye

Smith: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Weyher: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and action on Rural Water Association of Utah Executive Board nomination request

Mr. Weyher asked what additional time commitment this would require. Mr. Wixom indicated that he had been participating on the Rural Water Association Board for the past six years. Nomination to the Executive Board would add one national conference in September. If he is re-elected to the Board he would be President of the association and this would require a trip to Washington, DC to visit with the federal delegation.

Mayor Smith said networking is important. Water is important therefore the Town may have to make sacrifices for Mr. Wixom's participation but doors will open and it is worth it. He felt it was a great opportunity for Springdale.

Mr. Chambers agreed with the Mayor and said Rick has lots of connections. Being the gateway to a National Park these connections are invaluable.

Motion made by Bill Weyher that the Town Council support the appointment of Rick Wixom to the Rural Water Association of Utah Executive Board effective January 1, 2015; seconded by Mark Chambers:

Weyher: Aye.

Chambers: Aye.

Smith: Aye.

Player: Aye.

Alltucker: Aye.

Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Invoices

	Inv Date	Inv #	Vendor	Amount	Bud- geted	Description
1	11/25/2014	N/A	Bowler, Odean	\$ 900.00	Y	Public Defender Contract
2	12/10/2014	CW420	Chevron	\$ 3,305.35	Y	Fuel
3	11/21/2014	2015/0561	City of St. George	\$ 1,528.00	Y*	Quarterly Dispatch Fees
4	11/21/2014	010131-6284	Efficientgov	\$ 895.00	Y	GrantFinder Subscription
5	11/5/2014	S141105	Emergency Vehicle Systems	\$ 3,386.00	Y	2014 Ford F150 Patrol Truck Equipment
6	11/25/2014	10753	Forsgren Associates	\$ 7,657.35	Y	Street Light Project Design
7	11/8/2014	N/A	Crafton Heritage Partnership	\$ 911.12	Y	Butch Cassidy 10K Proceeds
8	11/30/2014	191872000-1114	Kimley-Horn and Associates	\$ 3,315.42	Y	Zion Scenic Byway Plan
9	11/19/2014	SD11191401	King, William (E&M Services)	\$ 560.00	Y	Water Treatment Plant Troubleshooting
10	12/1/2014	N/A	McConkie, Marshall	\$ 850.00	Y	Monthly Prosecution Retainer
11	1/1/2015	N/A	McConkie, Marshall	\$ 850.00	Y	Monthly Prosecution Retainer
12	12/29/2014	43693	Mountain West Computers	\$ 914.00	Y	Document Scanner (Pam)
13	12/16/2014	N/A	Rees Certified Public Accountant	\$ 3,500.00	Y	Audit Progress Billing
14	12/10/2014	Consolidated	Rocky Mountain Power	\$ 4,472.62	Y	Electric Service
15	10/30/2014	HR1000027	Scholzen Products Company	\$ 1,078.35	Y	Chlorine
16	11/8/2014	N/A	Springdale PTO	\$ 911.12	Y	Butch Cassidy 10K Proceeds
17	11/18/2014	1350174	Thatcher Company	\$ 2,120.20	Y	Alum
18	11/19/2014	12809	Twin "D" Inc.	\$ 2,965.00	Y	Irrigation Line Flush
19	12/1/2014	N/A	Utah State Division of Finance	\$ 6,800.00	Y	P058 Principal Payment
20	11/16/2014	9735592586	Verizon Wireless	\$ 951.38	Y	Cell Service
21	12/16/2014	9737308090	Verizon Wireless	\$ 1,279.46	Y	Cell Service
22	12/8/2014	N/A	Zions Bank Credit Card (Star Nursery)	\$ 1,050.00	Y	Tree Purchase
23	12/4/2014	N/A	Zions Bank Credit Card (Star Nursery)	\$ 789.90	Y	Tree Purchase
				\$ 50,990.27		
						*to be reimbursed by R/S FPD

Councilman Chambers said he would vote, however he was not present at the December 11 Town Council meeting.

Motion made by Adrian Player to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Bill Weyher.

Weyher: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Smith: Aye

Player: Aye

Alltucker: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Non-Action Items

Council Department Reports

Mr. Weyher began. He indicated the street lighting project had been discussed earlier in the meeting. He said they are still discussing recycling options that are cost effective and not too taxing on the Town staff. Mayor Smith added they are still talking with Solid Waste about curbside mixed recycling. The binnies would still be available as long as they continued to be used.

Mr. Chambers discussed the Zion Canyon Music Festival. He suggested a member from the Town Council be part of the Festival Committee. Mayor Smith stepped up and said he didn't mind being on the Committee and will oversee it.

- Going back to the motion, Mr. Alltucker noted that a staff member lead, not the Mayor.
- Mayor Smith clarified and said he would be there to help, not to chair. He would be a voting member.

Mr. Player provided a report on the Rockville/Springdale Fire District. In September, when the standby fees were increased, the District agreed to a review by the Hurricane Valley Fire District to take over responsibilities. With the new District Board, it has taken a number of special meetings for a consensus of whether this review should take place. But it is now moving forward.

- If Hurricane Valley were to take over, funding would totally change and come almost fully from property taxes rather than TRT or standby fees. It is unlikely property taxes could be increased enough to meet the requirement. The study will take about three to four months.
- Mr. Player also mentioned the current fire chief Joe Barker is not interested in staying on. The responsibility has been a hardship to his family. The District does not want to hire a full time fire chief until the study is done.
- January 21st will be the next monthly meeting. The agenda will contain the Hurricane Valley Fire District and the fire chief issue. Mr. Player said we need to support them to the extent we can.

Mayor Smith thought there are solutions to take the TRT money and redirected it.

Mr. Player indicated the study would provide three business models on how to operate and the costs associated with each. He believes the citizens need to know. Either property taxes go up or they continue to pay standby fees and redirect transit room tax.

Mr. Weyher asked who was conducting the study. Mayor Smith answered Tom Coleman from the Hurricane Valley Fire District and other firefighters.

Mr. Player said the study would be conducted in three phases. During phase one the Hurricane Valley Fire District would survey users and tourists to see the needs and desires are. Phase two will include the study of the three business models. Phase three is a consideration of the funding implementation. Is it feasible for a fire chief in Hurricane to run a fire house in Springdale.

For Parks, Mr. Alltucker indicated the trench path at the pickle ball courts was complete. The staff had taken down the holiday lights; were chipping brush and debris; were beginning to build a new dog run; and replaced a new heater in the men's restroom.

- Mr. Wixom added that a new park restroom building was on the Planning Commission agenda for next week. If approved they would take out to bid. Mr. Weyher asked when the project would be completed. Mr. Wixom said about three to four months after bid award.

Mayor Smith updated the Council on the Paiutes. He met with Gaylord on Monday and indicated that another piece of property was offered in trade. Gaylord was to meet with the tribe to discuss the proposal however this meeting was postponed due to a death. The Town should know more after their January 20th meeting. The Mayor felt if accepted, the property swap would be a win-win-win for all affected parties.

Additionally the Mayor asked about the Community Forest Grant. Mr. Dansie said this was a grant program operated by the US Forest Service to purchase community forest property. The Town would use it to purchase some of the cottonwood stand on the current Paiute property. The application was due on Friday.

- Mr. Weyher asked if the cottonwood stand would be split off from the rest of the property. Mr. Dansie answered 'yes'. The Paiutes seemed excited about using the Community Forest Grant in conjunction with the possible land swap.
- Mayor Smith said once their land comes into Town possession, we would work on the trail system they want but the commercial aspects would move to the other property in the swap.
- Superintendent Bradybaugh asked about the grant and if it would be fee title ownership. Mayor Smith said 'yes'.

Mayor Smith said he talked with Brian Tuttle about the fiber optic project. They have contracts from the majority of the hotels. They are bidding out the conduit trenching now and should place the award by Friday. The Mayor indicated there was a conference call with Forsgren tomorrow in regard to the conduit. The contractor most likely to get the award said they can do the trenching in a month. First Digital is making a push to get residents on board. They mentioned the possibility of putting a dish on hotels so houses can go wirelessly to it.

- Mr. Chambers asked how many hotels are on Century Link. Mayor Smith said most are on AWI.
- Mr. Alltucker spoke to Mr. Tuttle about the Anasazi subdivision. He said they may be able to put switch gear in the First Digital office and then push the signal through the copper which would increase the bandwidth.
- Mayor Smith said it was a rural community legislation that forced Century Link to share. He also indicated that if Century Link wanted to come in, they can.

Mayor Smith asked Mr. Dansie for an update on the transit project. Mr. Dansie said that the St. George to Springdale transit project was still alive but there were road blocks with UDOT regarding the operation of buses and the funding stream. They need to conduct another study on ridership and fee structures to identify which funding option is appropriate.

- Mr. Dansie said a scope of work was being developed between the Five County Association of Governments and UDOT. They are also looking into funding sources. There may be a local match component. Mr. Dansie felt the project was still several years out.

Mayor Smith encouraged Councilmembers to suggest articles for the Town newsletter. He asked if they had anything of interest or informational for the community from their respective departments consider including it in the monthly newsletter.

Council Discussion:

No additional Council discussion.

Motion to adjourn at 7:22 PM by Bill Weyher; seconded by Mike Alltucker.

Weyher: Aye

Chambers: Aye

Smith: Aye

Player: Aye

Alltucker: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor reminded everyone that next month's meeting would be on a Thursday.



Darci Carlson, Town Clerk

APPROVAL: _____