**Mona City Council Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes**

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Christensen- Mayor

Jay Christensen **–** Councilmember

TJ Pace – Councilmember

Amy Stanley – Councilmember

Kevin Squire – Councilmember

Kris Kay - Councilmember

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Squire - Councilmember

STAFF PRESENT: Alicia Hills – Recorder

Sara Samuelson – Finance Director

Chad Phillips – Gas, Water & Roads worker

Shay Morrison – Community Advisor

OTHERS PRESENT: Myrna Trauntvein – Times News Reporter; Craig Allred, Kristine Phillips, Rick Kay, Lucinda Kay, Greg Dalton.

Mayor Randy Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Opening prayer/Pledge of Allegiance:**

Councilmember Pace led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmember Christensen led the prayer.

**Public Hearing:**

Wallace & Gay Kay Family Annexation

Councilmember Pace motioned to open the public hearing concerning the Wallace and Gaye Kay Family Annexation. Councilmember Kay seconded the motion to open the public hearing concerning the Wallace and Gaye Kay Family Annexation. The vote of the Council was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire: Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

Mayor Christensen read the related Mona City Ordinance 2024-6. (Please see attached ordinance.)

**Public Comment:**

Craig Allred asked for the address of the annexation and asked if the sewer plant would be able to handle the increased land and structures. Mayor Christensen stated that since the sewer plant is still not at full capacity, it would not be an issue.

Councilmember Stanley made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:08 pm. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion to close the public hearing at 7:08 pm. The vote of the Council to close the public hearing was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire: Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

**Approval of Minutes:**

Councilmember Pace motioned to accept the work session minutes of February 13, 2024, as written. Councilmember Kay seconded the motion to approve the work session minutes of February 13, 2024, as written. The Mona City Council roll call vote to approve the work session minutes of February 13, 2024, was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire: Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

Councilmember Christensen motioned to accept the City Council meeting minutes of February 13, 2024, as written. Councilmember Pace seconded the motion to approve the City Council meeting minutes of February 13, 2024, as written. The Mona City Council roll call vote to approve the City Council meeting minutes of February 13, 2024, was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire: Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

**Action Items:**

Approval of $10,000 for water impact fee study:

Councilmember Stanley made the motion to approve $10,000 for a water impact fee study. Councilmember Pace seconded the motion to approve $10,000 for a water impact fee study. The rollcall vote of the Council was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

Approval of up to $50,000 for the purchase of a loader for the Green Waste Site

Councilmember Pace stated that he discussed this request with Chad Phillips and they would like to use the loader to make mulch to sell from the Green Waste site. Phillips stated that he felt that he could make a screen to filter the mulch and it could be sold to benefit Mona’s residents. Mayor Christensen stated that the Green Waste budget has a $40,000 balance that may be used to pay for the loader. Phillips also requested to use the effluent water tap at the sewer plant for the mulch instead of culinary water.

Councilmember Pace motioned to approve up to $50,000 for the purchase of a loader for the Green Waste site. Councilmember Stanley seconded the motion to approve up to $50,000 for the purchase of a loader for the Green Waste site. The rollcall vote of the Council was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

Ordinance 2024-6: Addition of Mona City Code 12-2-4: Wallace & Gaye Kay Family Annexation

Councilmember Stanley motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-6: Addition of Mona City Code 12-2-4: Wallace & Gaye Kay Family Annexation. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 2024-6: Addition of Mona City Code 12-2-4: Wallace & Gaye Kay Family Annexation. The rollcall vote of the Council was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

**Miscellaneous Items:**

Utility Rates Discussion

Councilmember Stanley stated that she found on an RV website that the Mona Good-to-Go Gas Station was advertised as a free RV dump station. She said that she talked with Brent Arns at the sewer plant, who told her that he was not as concerned about the chemicals from the RV dumping as the extra garbage that is dumped from them. She stated that Mona City does not have a commercial sewer rate and she did some research about other cities in the State and compared them (see attached handout). Councilmember Stanley proposed that Mona City change its water and sewer rates to a tiered system. She requested a work session to discuss this. Mayor Christensen stated that on March 12 a work session has been planned for this subject. Finance Director Samuelson stated that the draft of the water rate study had come back that week and the final study would be presented to the Council on April 9, 2024.

**Community Advisor Shay Morrison:**

B&C Road Funds

Morrison stated that the City should have received an extra, larger allocation from the State last month. The Finance Director will look into this and discuss with Morrison whether it has been received.

Broadband update

Morrison stated that the State is trying to determine which areas have high-speed internet, low-speed internet, fiber optic, etc. He said that they are compiling a map that shows where all the high and low speeds are through the State, and when it is released, it can then be challenged if it is incorrect. Morrison stated that this is important because down the road the State will be making funding available for areas that do not have sufficient speeds. Morrison stated that Six County applied for and received a fabric license, which allows them to be eligible to challenge the map. He requested that Mona City determine their speeds and let him know as he can investigate to determine the speeds.

Transition to R6

Morrison stated that the Six County Association of Governments will be moving into their new building in Richfield this month and their name is changing to R6 Regional Council.

**Secretary Report:**

Nothing Reported

**Planning and Zoning:**

Nothing Reported

**Finance Report:**

Finance Director Samuelson presented the Mona City and Recreation Disbursement Listings for 2/14/2024 to 2/27/2024.

Councilmember Pace made a motion to approve the finances as presented. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion to approve the finances as presented. The roll call vote of the Council to approve the finances as presented was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

**Gas and Roads and Water Report:**

Chad Phillips reported that Brad and Garrett are currently in St. George doing their training and he hopes they pass the test to get their water certifications. He said that he is busy doing all his reports and audits for the state and FIMZA, and they have an audit coming up in a couple of weeks. So he has been getting all the records together and getting them digitized and ready.

Phillips stated that they are currently doing normal maintenance. There are a lot of setters in town that don’t have backflows, so they have been changing them and doing service lines with them because they are running into a lot of galvanized service lines.

Phillips stated that he has been down to the sewer plant to mark the water line for the contractor, and they have been moving the equipment in and are hopeful that the weather will permit them to start the project. There is currently a lot of standing water and they will try to pump it off to start the project.

**Sewer:**

Nothing Reported

**Recorder:**

Nothing Reported

**Council Business:**

Councilmember Stanley stated that she gave Michelle the flyer for Easter to put into the newsletter. She said that there are leftover pots from the Easter celebration 3 years ago, so while the kids are waiting for the Easter egg hunt, they can decorate the pots and plant them.

Councilmember Pace said that there will be interviews on Monday at 4:00 for the Mona City Grounds Seasonal Maintenance Worker position.

Councilmember Christensen stated that he has just been working on the project list and will work with Shay Morrison in March on the CIB.

Councilmember Squire was absent.

Councilmember Kay said that at the sewer plant, the membrane distributor came and tuned the membranes to make them run more efficiently. He said that the new pump should be coming at any time. He said that things are running fairly smoothly at the plant right now.

**Public Comment:**

Craig Allred told the Council that they are doing a “good job”. He asked about the process of the Green Waste and whether people are coming in from other areas to use Mona’s facility. Mayor Christensen stated that in the past people from other areas had been coming in, but to prevent this, the site was closed on Monday through Thursday to try to discourage this. But because of the construction going on down there, it will now be left open. Mr. Allred stated that he stated that compost is a good marketable item that he drives to Springville for, so if it is available, it is a good thing.

**Adjournment**

Councilmember Pace made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Councilmember Kay seconded the motion. The council vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm was as follows:

Councilmember Christensen: Aye

Councilmember Kay: Aye

Councilmember Pace: Aye

Councilmember Squire: Absent

Councilmember Stanley: Aye

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Randy Christensen, Mayor Alicia Hills, Mona City Recorder