

RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 16, 2015

The regular meeting of the Richmond City Council was held at the Richmond City Office Building located at 6 West Main, Richmond, Utah on Tuesday, June 16, 2015. The meeting began at 7:00 P.M., Mayor Pro Tempore Brad Jensen was in the Chair. The opening remarks were made by Cheryl Peck.

The following Council members were in attendance: Brad Jensen, Paul Erickson, Jeff Young, Cheryl Peck and Tucker Thatcher

Mayor Michael Hall was excused.

City Manager Marlowe Adkins, City Recorder Justin Lewis, City Treasurer Chris Purser and City Engineer Darek Kimball were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 19, 2015 City Council meeting minutes was made by Cheryl, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

DEPUTY'S REPORT

DEPUTY BRAD NELSON: I am here this evening with Deputy Keller. I don't have much to report. We are in the process of getting ready for the national night out and will be in attendance like last year. We will plan for the fireworks show as well.

JEFF: The City party will be held on Friday, September 11th.

BRAD: The fireworks show will be in a better location than it would have been for Black & White Days. The monthly report has been received and the Council can review it at their convenience.

PAUL: I am surprised at the number of arrests.

DEPUTY NELSON: Some of those are DUI's. It is not just people in the community getting arrested.

PAUL: We appreciate your service.

CHERYL: What are the codes that are mentioned on the report?

DEPUTY KELLER: They refer to if the case is active or closed and if there was an arrest made or not.

BRAD: I see what I believe are trespassers down by the old factory. Do you know the status of that property? Do you know anything about what is happening there?

DEPUTY KELLER: The factory is still privately owned. I know some people have permission to come and go. There are some construction crews working on the building. It seems like the people who are coming and going changes all of the time. On occasion, we will have a point of contact. If we get a call we go down there.

TUCKER: Are all of the deputies wearing cameras now?

DEPUTY KELLER: Yes.

BRAD: Thank you for attending and let the Council know if there is anything we can do to help you with your job.

RECOGNITION OF MICHELLE SANDERSON AS DIRECTOR OF THE MELODRAMA

BRAD: Michelle and Wayne Sanderson are here this evening. The Council would like to recognize and thank them for responding to a community event that has been gone for a few years.

MICHELLE SANDERSON: The last time I helped out was in 1994.

JEFF: The melodrama had not been done for eight years until this year.

BRAD: Jeff has been the chairman of Black & White Days for eight years and we did not want to get rid of the event but nobody stepped forward to keep it going. Michelle stepped up this year and presented her idea to the Council. Michelle wrote the script, made arrangements for the sound crew and helped with the costumes. Michelle oversaw the entire process from start to finish. Financially I am not sure how things ended up.

MICHELLE: I am sure we ended up in the black.

JUSTIN: The numbers should be finalized by July. Michelle and everyone involved did a tremendous job.

MICHELLE: I am leaving a DVD at the City Office for review.

JEFF: I think the most important thing is that Michelle offered an opportunity for the community to come together and support something fun. I attended the production and it was fantastic. It was fun. It was how it was supposed to be.

MICHELLE: I already have people wanting to participate next year.

CHERYL: You did it. You made it happen.

JEFF: I think another production should be considered again next year and the melodrama can be considered on a yearly basis moving forward. A lot went into this production and there was a lot of support from the community. Michelle, thank you. Everything was done or overseen by Michelle from start to finish.

BRAD: We appreciate you attending. We just wanted to thank you and let you know the Council supports what you did. You stepped up and took care of it.

MICHELLE: It was a team effort. Coye Thatcher is here this evening and helped with the costumes. Many people helped out in different capacities.

BUSINESS LICENSE REQUEST

RHETTRO HOT DOGS

RHETT HARRISON: I am a native of Utah. I have lived in the City for almost a year. I have been working from home and lost two jobs in the last six months. I have been thinking about this business for five years. I have never had the chance to do it until now. I want to offer bacon wrapped hotdogs that are organic and all natural. The bun would be vegan and not have any eggs included. Shaffer House Bakery in Logan will make the buns. When I make enough money I will have Horlachers out of Logan prepare the meat in the future. I am a big fan of local organic produce. I will also offer all organic condiments. I am currently in the process of

building a cart on an ATV rack. The cart is almost ready for paint. I will have to get an inspection by the Health Department when ready. I have talked to the realtor about locating on the property where Randy's Texaco used to be located. The realtor said I need City permission to be there. I want to park the cart on the back end of the property. I don't want people to have to cross the highway to get to me. I want this to become a community place where people can have a good time. I would hope eventually to have an open microphone night and maybe some karaoke. I want something for people to do in the City rather than have to go to Preston or Logan. I grew up in Providence, moved to Phoenix and then to Virginia and now I am back to Utah. This is my first business venture on my own. I hope to make some revenue for the City.

TUCKER: Would you set up on the sidewalk on that property?

RHETT: No. I won't be using the building either. I would just use the canopy. Everything would be located outside. I would hope to eventually have some tables there. I am working on a budget of \$800 and have already spent \$300 on the cart.

CHERYL: Are you going to rent space at the old service station?

RHETT: I told the realtor, Nate, I don't have any money right now and he said if the City approves my request to be there he we could work something out.

PAUL: I see two issues. One is the business license and the other is the location. I think they are totally separate issues. The building is not in a condition it can be used.

RHETT: I don't want to use the building.

PAUL: The location is a problem as the building has been abandoned for several years. The license is a different issue. What are the dimensions of the cart?

RHETT: Eight feet long by six feet wide or about the size of an ATV.

PAUL: I would suggest locating in a visible area but you cannot be on a sidewalk or block a driveway.

RHETT: How is the taco bus operating?

BRAD: They have a physical address for the business.

PAUL: They are specific to that location.

RHETT: If this area does not work I can go to another location. I don't have to be there. I should be on the highway to generate more business. How about issuing me a vendor's license instead? Marlowe said the City had not been approached with something like that in the past. I would be able to attend events like the football games at North Cache.

PAUL: You mean you would work out an agreement with the school?

RHETT: I don't have a problem working with anyone.

PAUL: What about if she wants to locate on City property?

BRAD: The snow shack was at the City park.

RHETT: I hope to have a snow cone machine down the road as well.

MARLOWE: The Council could approve an itinerant license. An itinerant license is allowing a business to move around from location to location in the City. Arrangements would have to be made with each property owner where she wanted to utilize their property. The City would only be involved if Rhett wanted to put her cart on City property. The business will still require a sales tax license, food license and all other necessary permits.

RHETT: My equipment won't stay at a location overnight. The equipment will go to my home each evening.

PAUL: Is this a new type of license we need to create?

MARLOWE: No, it is just a condition of the business license approval.

PAUL: Do we need to put any guidelines in place?

MARLOWE: No, the license would allow her to move the cart around in the City limits.

PAUL: There cannot be any obstruction of sidewalks and driveways.

A motion to approve an itinerant business license for Rhettro Hot Dogs (Rhett Harrison) with the condition no sidewalks or driveways can be obstructed by the food cart at any time was made by Paul, seconded by Jeff and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

BRAD: Any City property you want to put your cart on would require you to come before the Council and make a presentation and request.

RHETT: What about for Black & White Days?

BRAD: That one is simple; just rent a booth space for a small fee.

CHERYL: Do we want to review this license again in a year?

BRAD: That would not be a problem.

CHERYL: This type of license is a first for the City.

RHETT: I am hoping to be open by July 3rd.

PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS CHANGES TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET AND NEW BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

A motion to close the regular Council meeting and open the public hearing was made by Jeff, seconded by Paul and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

****The public hearing opened at 7:29 P.M.****

JUSTIN: Since our last Council meeting there have been a couple of changes to the new budget. The City could end up participating in the hiring of a trail coordinator along with all the other cities in the valley with the City committing to budget \$1,003 for two years has been included. If the Council chooses to participate the item is budgeted, if not, we will remove and allocate elsewhere. The RAPZ tax project for the Cub River Sports Complex was approved in the amount of \$73,000. I have also included the population based assessment the City will receive in the amount of \$4,053 that will be allocated when the Council approves a project.

The total general fund budget is \$1,013,603. A small raise is included for the employees. The budget is on par with the last few budgets. There are a couple of major infrastructure projects in the enterprise funds. The water fund will pay the cost difference to upsize the new water line from eight inch to twelve inch from the City to the UDOT building at an estimated cost of \$60,000. The sewer fund will be looking at doing the new trunk line on the north end of town at an approximate cost of \$194,000.

PAUL: What is the amount of impact fees collected this year?

JUSTIN: Year to date water impact fees collected total \$50,117 and sewer impact fees total \$64,445.

TERRIE WIERENGA: How has sales tax collected been effected by the closure of the Maverik store for a few months?

JUSTIN: I was worried about this but surprisingly there was little change. The sales tax received currently by the City is actually for the amount collected two months before. The amount received in May was for March sales. I am hopeful we will be close to or exceed last year's total and that is very surprising since Maverik was closed for the majority of the budget year.

A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular Council meeting was made by Paul, seconded by Jeff and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher
No Vote: None

The public hearing closed at 7:36 P.M.

PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET AND APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET

BRAD: I thought the water meter line item was supposed to be \$30,000 not \$25,000.

JUSTIN: You are correct.

PAUL: What about water meters?

BRAD: I don't want growth to stop the number of old meters that are being replaced.

MARLOWE: The current cost of a meter is \$220.72.

BRAD: We have a rotation program we started years ago that needs to be ongoing.

MARLOWE: On the new homes that get meters the cost of the meter is recouped by the City.

BRAD: I know several years ago meter replacement was just a maintenance and repair item and we changed that to a specific line item.

JUSTIN: Ben informed the Council in his maintenance report there are 416 old meters still in the ground. This budget year we have spent approximately \$28,000 on new meters of which approximately \$4,000 has been for new growth. Around \$24,000 has been spent replacing old meters.

BRAD: I know all of the meters purchased this year were not residential meters. There were several commercial sized meters that were replaced as well.

MARLOWE: We are not allowed to profit on the cost of the meters so a new home or business pays the exact cost to the City of the meter.

A motion to adopt the budget for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 was made by Paul, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher
No Vote: None

A motion to adopt adjustments to the budget for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 was made by Paul, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF ORDINANCE 2015-3 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MONTHLY BILLING AND RATE SCHEDULE FOR CULINARY WATER FROM THE RICHMOND CITY CULINARY WATER SYSTEM WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGES AUTHORIZED BY TITLE 14-000, CHAPTER 14-500 OF THE CODE OF REVISED ORDINANCES OF RICHMOND (1975, ADOPTED 1976)”.

BRAD: This is not our first meeting or discussion.

PAUL: It is actually our third time to discuss.

BRAD: This discussion came about because of a water conservation ordinance the City has in place. The billing rates have been reviewed and discussed. The water in the City is quite cheap. In fact, the culinary water is so cheap residents with irrigation shares are selling them and only using culinary water for their lawns. We have reviewed this proposal over the last couple of months. The long term intent is to read the meters every month. When all of the new meters have been installed it won't matter if they are covered with snow or not. The monthly billing includes the gallons used. Currently, there is a residential rate and a commercial rate. The proposal is to have one rate that is the same for everyone. The base rate will be \$55.00 starting on July 1st. The ordinance reads the \$1.00 per year base rate increase will expire in 2017 rather than the way the current ordinance reads that it expires in 2021. There are also fees of \$25 to turn the water service off and \$25 to turn the water service back on.

JUSTIN: We try to avoid turning off anyone's service. It is a last resort. We send them notices, email reminders and call them. We try and work with the residents and grant extra days in cases of hard times. Turning water service off is a last resort.

BRAD: The majority of homes in the city use under 10,000 gallons per month. Some homes may use up to 50,000 gallons per month in the summer if they use culinary water to water their lawn and garden. The theory behind the ordinance is the more a person uses the more they pay.

JUSTIN: By ordinance, whether this ordinance passes or not, the base fee goes from \$54.00 per month to \$55.00 per month in July 2015.

BRAD: We are trying to be mindful of the commercial and agricultural users. We have reviewed many water bills. The proposed numbers were not picked at random.

TUCKER: I need to disclose I work for a company that will be negatively impacted by this proposal. It will double their water rate. It is best I don't vote on this item. Regardless of where I work and having taken time to review this proposal it is hard to approve this type of proposed increase. There are only a handful of users who use a significant amount of water. At the last meeting comments were made that the increase can be passed on. Farmers cannot pass the increase on as their milk rates are set. I am very sympathetic to them. It is a big increase, a steep increase.

JEFF: Do we have anyone using over five million gallons per month?

ALAN LOWER: My company uses around four to five million gallons per month. I was looking at our monthly invoices and we used around seven million gallons in February.

CHERYL: Do you regularly use over five millions gallons per month?

ALAN: I would think so.

CHERYL: We don't want to discourage businesses.

BRAD: We also need to keep the businesses on task. We need to encourage conservation.

JEFF: Do we have a list of users using over one million gallons per month?

JUSTIN: Yes.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 2015-3

A motion to close the regular Council meeting and open the public hearing was made by Tucker, seconded by Cheryl and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

****The public hearing opened at 8:03 P.M.****

ALAN LOWER: I am the owner of Lower Foods. I am a big water user. I use more water in the winter than in the summer. The City is receiving income from the water in the winter when normally it would be going down the river into the Great Salt Lake. It is hard for me to understand why you would implement this increase. My business cannot pass it onto our customers. Our products are market based like milk. You have not reached out to the big water users to discuss the proposal. I think you need to have a meeting with those that are most effected.

JEFF: Good point.

ALAN: It is not fair what is being proposed. Other communities want to attract my type of business. We are being punished for being here if this rate change is approved. We are already paying for fire hydrants and water meters as well. We are a good member of the community. I want to keep my business here. Treat us like a friend. This rate increase is a one way street. We have done a lot to support the City. We need more notice of this proposal. We need to have input on the proposal. You would not want to hear your monthly billing was going to double.

BRAD: This is the reason we have public hearings so your voice can be heard.

ALAN: None of the dairy farmers are aware of this proposal.

BRAD: This will not only affect you but other commercial users and the local schools as well.

ALAN: I think the schools use more water in the summer than we do.

BRAD: Our new radio read meters allow us to track water usage at any moment.

ALAN: The irrigation company is the problem. They are very restrictive. Irrigation water is not useful since people cannot utilize their shares.

JEFF: That is a valid statement.

BRAD: I agree.

PAUL: Can we easily identify the major water users?

CHRIS: Yes.

JEFF: Are you willing to sit down and discuss this in a workshop type setting?

ALAN: Absolutely.

JEFF: We just spent over five million dollars to bring more water into the City. Percentage wise, a few top end users are using over fifty percent of the water consumed in the City. We need to find a happy medium. We don't want you to carry the brunt of the increase.

ALAN: The proposed costs are so high nobody will come to Richmond.

BRAD: High water users won't come. If the water is really cheap and they come we might not have the ability to supply that much water to them either.

ALAN: People watering their lawns need to be able to use irrigation water.

BRAD: We cannot control the irrigation water shares. The irrigation company is totally separate from the City. Even in development we are tied in what we can do. We cannot require the developer to deed the shares to the land as the irrigation company won't allow for it.

ALAN: How is the ski resort affected by this proposal? Are they at a different rate in the winter? Is the purpose of this change to punish them?

PAUL: There is a different agreement with the ski resort. They can only purchase excess water.

JUSTIN: There is a claim this discussion and public hearing was not advertised. The public hearing was advertised in *The Herald Journal*, the state publication website, the City Office building, the City newsletter, the Post Office and at the Library as well as on social media. We tried to put this out there everywhere we could and we are in compliance with advertising requirements.

ALAN: I don't look at the paper, the newsletter or in the City buildings. This only really effects five or six people and you could have contacted them.

BRAD: We appreciate your comments and are glad you are here to represent the high end water users.

ALAN: The Governor says to use less water but we are highly regulated in what we can do at my business. We use the water for cleaning and there is a certain standard that has to be met in that regard.

BRAD: So you are saying if this ordinance were adopted your business would be affected in a negative way?

ALAN: Yes.

CHERYL: Could you conserve water?

ALAN: The water we use is not being consumed. Our biggest use of water is tempering frozen meat in two thousand pound tubs. We do use used culinary water to water our lawn. In the winter, the byproduct goes into the Spackman pond. The water is not being wasted.

PAUL: It is nice it is being used in a secondary system somewhere else.

TERRIE WIERENGA: I am not a huge water user. I only use around one thousand gallons per month. When I was on the Council we did some workshop sessions that ended up setting the current water rates where they are. You need to be very conscious of what the increase is going to do to the large users and the dairies. There are several commercial users that will be affected. I agree with what Alan has to say. The rate is being more than doubled in some cases. Most businesses have already budgeted their expenses for the year. This rate increase could make or break some businesses as well as some of the farms and dairies. I was part of the Envision Utah plan. People love the rural atmosphere in Richmond. When the water rate is doubled the fees will keep people from coming here. It has been advertised as required but I would hope you don't make a decision tonight. You need to understand how people will be impacted. Only a one dollar per month increase adds up over a year. Most businesses are just marginally making it right now. This increase will hurt the town in the long term. More effort needs to be taken to talk to those using over one hundred thousand gallons per month. Conservation methods need to be reviewed. Lower Foods is already recycling their water. It is used and then reused elsewhere. They should be given some credit for that.

DAN MILLER: I did read the City newsletter and saw the portion discussing a possible increase. It peaked my interest and I am here. I want to know how raising the rate will help to

conserve water. I am in the lower range of water use and I won't be impacted much so I won't conserve any water even if the increase is passed. Businesses have to have the water; they have to use it. From my perspective this is just a hidden tax and not a way to conserve water. We need to look at ways to conserve water and quit trying to appease government mandates. We need to find real ways to change usage. By raising the rate; usage will not go down.

COYE THATCHER: Some of us don't have the option to use secondary water. We tried to buy some irrigation shares with our home but the owner would not sell them. Now we have a school behind us. The new tank on the hill, will that store water for us?

BRAD: Enough for about three days of use.

ALAN: The tank was built for fire flow and protection issues.

BRAD: It was a government mandate.

COYE: We get well water at our house for about two and a half months a year. It is not good water. I just want good water. I have to buy water to drink since the water is so bad.

BRAD: The water above town is definitely better than below town. Right now the new well is being tested. I hope it can help your concern soon. I understand exactly what you are saying in regards to poor culinary water.

COYE: Why is water being sold to the ski resort?

BRAD: I want everyone to understand the agreement with the ski resort. The City has agreed to sell the ski resort only the excess water the City has that would otherwise run down the river. Water can only be sold to them during non-irrigation water use months. They only have the option to purchase excess water in a certain season. The agreement with the ski resort will not affect the Richmond City culinary water users.

TUCKER: Do they pay the same rate?

BRAD: They pay the same rate. Based on court cases in the past; a City cannot charge a different rate for a resident or a non-resident. Other cities have tried to have separate rates and they are not allowed by law.

COYE: Our City bill is higher than anywhere else in the valley that I am aware of.

BRAD: There is a cost to rural living. The City has had to deal with fire flow issues and sewer treatment changes as well. The proposed cost for the new Logan sewer plant is being put together and they are going to see a very large monthly rate increase.

COYE: They have not seen it yet. They are way below Richmond. I have family in Logan and Smithfield and they are paying significantly less than here.

BRAD: We have around 750 connections paying for a five million dollar project.

JUSTIN: Smithfield has around 3,750 connections paying for the same type of project so they can pay quite a bit less.

COYE: The Richmond City bill is the most expensive bill I have at my house each month.

CRAIG HARRIS: I had no knowledge of this meeting. I don't watch the news. I had no clue this was happening. I am not a big user. Most of the cattle I own have been moved out of town where I have a well. I used to be a big user. I feel for the Andersons, Spackmans and Ogdens. If I had this bill, I would use twenty five thousand to forty thousand gallons per day previously and that would put me in the four to five million gallons per month category. If I had to pay an extra ten to twelve thousand dollars per month I would be out of business. I could not make it work. I feel for Lower's. They have around 100 employees there. They are a big deal and asset to the community. We need to protect them and not run them out of town. The proposed rate is high. I only have around thirty to forty animals at my home. I would be bankrupt if my entire herd was here. I have around four hundred in Cove and pay Lewiston City around forty to fifty

dollars a month. I could not make this work. I think it needs to be tabled. Everyone that is affected truly needs to be involved in this.

PAUL: Alan why do you use more water in the winter months?

ALAN: There are different cuts of meats for different seasons. Some meat is cheaper to purchase in the summer so we buy it and freeze it now and then thaw it out in the winter. We thaw more frozen meat in the winter. It is harder to thaw meat in the winter. The water temperature in the winter is around thirty three degrees and right now it is around fifty four degrees.

BRAD: I want to thank everyone for their input. Very seldom do we have anyone attend and offer input. I am glad to hear your opinions.

A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular Council meeting was made by Jeff, seconded by Paul and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

The public hearing closed at 8:29 P.M.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON ORDINANCE 2015-3

BRAD: Everyone that spoke is opposed to the rate increase, especially the high end users. There are some different possibilities to consider. The ordinance can be voted on or tabled. If the proposal is changed we would need to have another public hearing and start over with the new changes. We could have a meeting with some of the high end users, dairy users and some of the low end users as well. We need to consider there is a cost to develop water.

CHERYL: Craig, you said you are on a well?

CRAIG HARRIS: In 1964, we drilled and developed a well at our dairy outside of town.

JEFF: New wells cannot be drilled in town.

BRAD: That is not quite correct. There is a process a person can follow. Water rights would need to be acquired and then a well application could be applied for.

JEFF: The chances are extremely low the application would be approved.

PAUL: Agreed.

BRAD: I know we challenged an application for some well permits above town and they were denied. We need to consider our water fund. We are about done with the water tank project. The proposal was there would be a three tier rate increase. Only the first two increases have been implemented. After the final numbers come in we will have to review the water budget. We have to find a way to sustain the payment. The proposed schedule is based on use. Every resident may see another base rate increase in the near future.

JEFF: I am concerned just like I was last month. I knew we had some large users. I am still concerned about what is proposed. We could bring in around ten or fifteen people and have a meeting. I would be glad to sit down and discuss. The advantage of a small town is to sit down and work things out and come together. I think we need to table it for now. Let's get a list of the high end users and have a round table discussion.

BRAD: The water tank project won't be finalized until around August.

DAREK: I would think that is pretty close.

JEFF: What reason is there not to wait until then and then discuss the base rate and incremental rate at the same time?

BRAD: The base rate is not part of this ordinance.

JEFF: We need to discuss the base rate.

BRAD: There is a possibility of another base rate increase.

JEFF: I suggest we do a round table discussion.

CHERYL: Are there other ways of conserving? Some are already conserving by recycling. Businesses can let us know of ways they can recycle. Some businesses might close because of this.

BRAD: Maybe those that can prove reuse can get a reduced rate. Alan mentioned their water is reused in the secondary water system.

ALAN LOWER: Think of how many gallons could be dumped back into the system.

COYE THATCHER: The bad wells are already dumping into the system.

ALAN: The treated sewer water is very clean and could be put on lawns.

JEFF: Absolutely.

BRAD: We have had an initial discussion with the irrigation company about reusing the water. There have been a few areas we are getting hung up on. The City would have to charge the residents to develop the secondary water source to make it possible.

ALAN: Those on a fixed income will be hurt by this increase.

BRAD: Any increase is hard for everyone.

PAUL: I have listened to everyone this evening. I know if the rate goes up and it affects me financially I won't water as much.

ALAN: You won't let your lawn burn up.

PAUL: It is a delicate balance. Water is a limited source. Alan says the winter water will just go down the river; I don't necessarily agree with that but that can be discussed later. We have fixed costs and have to find a way to pay for them by generating revenue. I would propose to table this discussion but keep discussing a way to make this work. I want to know our final numbers on the water tank project before a decision is made.

TUCKER: I don't mind a small rate increase. We need the money. I would approve of a smaller, more reasonable increase.

ALAN: We need each other.

TUCKER: I support a small change. The proposed increase is too big regardless of where I work.

PAUL: One issue is a person won't get their bill and start conserving water until a month or so after they have used a bunch of water.

COYE: Agreed.

BRAD: We can have live reads at any time.

CHERYL: People won't think about that until after the first month and they get their bill.

PAUL: Craig does dairy usage increase or decrease much?

CRAIG: Not really. A cow will drink fifty to fifty five gallons per day year round.

BRAD: I would encourage those in attendance to come and talk to the Council. The consensus tonight is not to vote but to continue the discussion. It appears we need to find a more manageable rate increase. The low end users are hard to help at this point because the base rate has to be where it is.

JEFF: I will talk to the Mayor as I want to schedule a roundtable discussion. The community members need to see we are being reasonable. We are not here just to push something through.

Money is scarce. A heavy burden would be shifted to the big users if this was passed. We represent the entire City.

PAUL: How much did we just spend drilling our new well?

DAREK: Around one million dollars.

PAUL: To relocate and drill a new well will cost over a million dollars as well.

CRAIG: What is the volume of the new well?

DAREK: The water right is for 780 gallons per minute.

BRAD: We doubled the City water right by purchasing that well.

JUSTIN: Please keep in mind the new budget was passed earlier this evening with budgeted revenue of \$568,000. The annual water tank payment is \$288,000. There is not much money left for the rest of the fund for the rest of the year.

BRAD: Alan is a big user and is paying significant revenue to the City. Alan is billed at the current commercial rate and is paying for all of the water he uses which is a lot of water.

PICTURE COLLAGE PRESENTATION FROM THE BLACK & WHITE DAYS COMMITTEE TO THE CITY COUNCIL

CRAIG HARRIS: This year was the 100 year celebration of Black & White Days. The committee got together and did some research and located some pictures to make up this collage. The Department of Agriculture asked for a collage picture and we had a half dozen or so printed. I want to give one to the City to display in the City Office. These pictures bring back a lot of memories. The first picture is from 1915 and the last picture is from 2015. I want to thank the Council and Mayor for their support. The City really stepped up and helped out this year. I have been involved with the celebration since 1960. There is a lot of history in the show. I appreciate the City and the support of the Council and Mayor.

JEFF: I was put over Black & White Days eight years ago. I had not previously attended the first three years I lived here after getting married as I had a farming business I was running. The committee is a great group of people. I have really enjoyed working with them. I truly appreciate their involvement in the community. It is all volunteer. They keep the tradition going strong.

CRAIG: The show was broadcast all over the world on the internet. We had people attend from the Netherlands and all over the United States. The show was broadcast on the internet in 60 countries and had over 120,000 hits while the show was going on.

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE PASSAGE OF RICHMOND CITY RESOLUTION 2015-4, "A RESOLUTION VACATING THE CITY CREEK MINOR SUBDIVISION".

BRAD: The owner of some property located at 400 South 100 East wants to dissolve a subdivision he owns. Right now there are three building lots. The owner of the three lots wants to combine them into one parcel. The City has to pass a resolution to allow the County to combine the lots into one.

CHERYL: Are there any problems on the City side from allowing this?

MARLOWE: No.

TUCKER: There have been potential issues on those lots for years. It is hard how the lots come together. I think it is in the best interest of the City and the neighbors for it to be in one parcel.

BRAD: If this subdivision was proposed to be created now, there would be major infrastructure changes needed.

MARLOWE: The owner of the lots currently resides in the Seattle area and wants to retire here in a couple of years. The water and sewer service would need to come from 100 East in the future.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2015-3, A RESOLUTION VACATING THE CITY CREEK MINOR SUBDIVISION, was made by Paul, seconded by Jeff and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher,

No Vote: None

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW WITH DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS AS NECESSARY

JUSTIN: In May, \$29,173 was collected in sales tax revenue. This would be the amount collected for sales during March and then remitted to the City two months later. A Class "C" Road Fund distribution in the amount of \$18,726 was received and one more distribution will be received for this budget year. Two road cuts at \$500 per cut were received. Black & White Days Activities had revenue of \$9,523 and the breakfast had revenue of \$1,602. Jenny Bair and the youth baseball committee are really growing and registration fees collected total \$2,940.

ALAN LOWER: Do you have a line item for building permit fees?

JUSTIN: Yes. Year to date we have collected \$6,241. The City contracts with Cache County for this service and they keep the majority of the money for service rendered.

ALAN: I would suggest looking at other options where the City gets to keep the majority of the money.

BRAD: We have checked into it and the County is very reasonable.

ALAN: I know Hyde Park is covering the inspections for Lewiston.

JUSTIN: As well as Newton and Clarkston. I will work with Jenny Bair to make sure we spend the registration fees for new equipment as we have many needs and the goal is just to break even with the program. The last outstanding RAPZ tax amount due to the City in the amount of \$5,485 has been received. There is still some funding for the Cub River Sports Complex but all of the city amounts have been spent and collected. Black & White Days sponsorship fees totaled \$9,850 through May. Some generous vendors donated extra this year to help out with the 100 year celebration. The Black & White Days pavilion upgrade project totaled \$56,182 which included concrete work, siding on the grand stands, new seating in the grand stand, as well as some work around the building. RAPZ tax paid \$37,000 of this project and we also used our 2014 population based assessment to help pay for some of the costs. A great project that would not have been completed without the help of RAPZ tax funding. Through May the expenses paid for the Black & White Days celebration totaled \$15,416 and horse show expenses totaled \$5,025. An impact fee was collected in May on the Griffiths home in the Cherry Creek Heights PUD. For information purposes and to provide more information based on the water rate discussion earlier in the meeting. The City will make its annual payment on the water tank project in the month of July in the amount of \$288,625. The current monthly interest is \$17,290.51. The City received a very good interest rate but that is still a lot of money. The City

approved a budget earlier this evening and the water enterprise fund revenue totaled \$568,200. The monthly bond payment is \$288,000. There is not a lot of funding for the rest of the water system for the year.

CRAIG HARRIS: Is this a one-time payment?

JUSTIN: No, this is year number two of a thirty year loan. We will need to schedule a ten minute meeting at the end of the month to pay year end bills as we start a new budget year on July 1st.

PAUL: I am not available on the 30th.

JUSTIN: Let's go on Monday, June 29th at 7:00 A.M. for 10 minutes. I will advertise as required and remind the Council as we get closer since it is such an odd timing.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

PAUL: Ben, Rob and Shane have been repairing potholes throughout the City. We are using City resources and only having to pay for the materials. Last time the City subcontracted out this work it was not completed as good as our employees can do it. There will be major chip sealing done in July in various parts of the City. All of Hill Haven will be done. I am hoping to buy another five to six years out of that area. It was done about seven years ago. Weeds are being sprayed in certain parts of town. Jeff, myself, Jeff Hall and Mark Blair met out at Cub River and discussed the RAPZ tax allocation project. We looked at the portable bleachers that will be best for that area. Preston has some very similar bleachers to what we are considering. The RAPZ tax award was for \$73,000. Lewiston rented Preston's bleachers for several years and they work great. One person can transport them and set them up. They have a hydraulic leveling system and are very user friendly. Potentially down the road we could rent them out and make some rental income from them. The model we are looking at cost \$31,675 each for the trailer and the bleachers. With the leveling kit and delivery the cost for two sets would be around \$81,000. We have an initial agreement with Lewiston City that each city will pay \$4,000 for the remaining cost of the project.

JUSTIN: Richmond could use the population based assessment for 2015 to pay our portion that will be owed.

PAUL: Most of the time the bleachers will be located at Cub River. They can be utilized by both cities. Having them portable is a huge asset.

CHERYL: Where will they be stored at?

BRAD: They will be at Cub River all summer long.

PAUL: They can be relocated from city to city within an hour or so.

BRAD: I know our annual report from our insurance agent had some negative pictures and comments about the wood bleachers that are currently used at Cub River. We need to resolve that issue and this would be a start.

TUCKER: The wood ones used for Black & White Days are bad as well.

PAUL: The sections will seat over 300. I have talked to a local trucking company and believe we can save some money on freight. Possibly getting the \$2.50 per mile cost down to \$2.00 per mile. I would like to allocate \$4,000 towards this project if Lewiston City agrees to pay their half.

BRAD: We could use our population based assessment to pay our portion. This would be a good use of city funds.

A motion to allocate \$4,000 in Fiscal Year 2016 during a future budget adjustment meeting for the purpose of helping to pay for the portable bleachers that will be purchased for the Cub River Sports Complex on the condition that Lewiston City pay \$4,000 as well towards the cost of the project was made by Paul, seconded by Jeff and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

CHERYL: Aaron Curdy and Rose Ann Anderson have accepted to be on the Library Board starting in July. Rose Ann is the interim secretary until she is formally part of the Board in July. Juliene Parrish wanted to make sure the Council is aware she spent \$320 on a plane ticket to attend a conference to discuss our local library consortium. The registration fee is \$50 as well. The Library has applied for a grant and they were quite certain they will receive it and the costs for the trip can be reimbursed by the grant. The harvest market opened on June 6th and was well attended.

BRAD: How many years has it been going now?

TERRIE WIERENGA: It started in 2008 as part of the City participating in a health community initiative. Originally, the harvest market was located between the City Office building and the Library.

MAYOR'S REPORT

JUSTIN: I forgot to include in my earlier report the discussion on the wages for fiscal year 2016. As part of the audit we are required to have the Council formally review and approve the wages and stipends of the City employees. There is a small wage increase for everyone. The wage for the Judge is somewhat set by the State of Utah. The State dictates the salary range the Judge must be paid within.

A motion to approve wages and stipends for the Fiscal Year 2016 was made by Paul, seconded by Jeff and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher,

No Vote: None

EMPLOYEE WAGES/STIPENDS FOR JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016

	Monthly	Yearly
ADKINS, MARLOWE	\$3,277.00	\$39,324.00
BAIR, ROBERT	3,532.00	42,384.00
BALL, WILLIAM SCOTT	4,969.00	59,628
CHISM, CHARLES	13.50 per hour	
COLLINS, YUMI	2,500.00	30,000.00
FORSGREN, PATRICIA	10.00 per hour	
FUNK, MATTHEW	1,127.00	13,524
GILBERT, JAN	472.00	(When school in session)

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LEWIS, JUSTIN	1,419.00	17,028.00
LEWIS, SHANE	14.42 per hour	
LUNDGREEN, BEN	2,989.00	35,868.00
PARRISH, JULIENE	2,161.00	25,932.00
PETERSEN, TAMARA	371.00	(When school in session)
PURSER, CHRIS	3,021.00	36,252.00
REESE, TINA	10.20 per hour	
TITENSOR, MELISSA	478.00	5,736.00
NIELSEN, SHAYLEE	8.00 per hour	
REESE, JANESEA	8.00 per hour	
MAYOR	500.00	6,000.00
COUNCIL MEMBERS	200.00	2,400.00
FIRE CHIEF	200.00	2,400.00
FIRE CHIEF ASSISTANT	100.00	1,200.00
ROLL ON/ROLL OFF DUMPSTER WORKERS		8.50 per hour
EMT/FIRE DEPT EMPLOYEES		8.00 per drill or call

JEFF: In two years the elementary school will be relocated to the White Pine Middle School. We have major sidewalk issues in that area. I met with Principal Jack and a couple of other Principals as well. I am concerned about the lack of sidewalk in the area and getting the children safely to school. I drive down 100 South and the school is going to be a major thoroughfare.

PAUL: I know we approached Principal Robinson a couple of years ago to get the ball rolling and see if they would help.

JEFF: Principal Jack told me he had asked for assistance on the sidewalks and been told no by the District Office.

BRAD: Let's add this as a discussion item during the July Council meeting. The Highland Games will be held on the ball diamond area on July 25th. They have held the event there previously and there have never been any issues.

DAREK: The application to apply for financial assistance for some COG funding for the road work on 500 North should be available in July. We will apply for sure.

BRAD: The next City Council meeting will be on July 21st.

A motion to adjourn and pay bills was made by Jeff, seconded by Paul and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Jensen, Erickson, Young, Peck, Thatcher

No Vote: None

A&D Landscaping	137.60
Advanced Heating	225.00
Aflac	228.18
Allen Rock	213.92
Allred Jackson	3000.00
Al's Sporting Goods	178.43

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Altius	2437.60
Badger	665.10
Bair Auto	60.46
Bear River Health	40.00
Beazer	218.58
Beeline Digital	23.00
Biolynceus	1354.51
C.H. Spencer	9000.00
Cache Chemical	17.70
Cache Design	106.00
Century Link	237.77
Chipman Software	500.00
Coats	1389.00
Coca Cola	41.16
Colonial Flag	156.00
Custom Fence	985.00
Dennis Wood	164.00
Ecosystems	642.10
Electrical Wholesale	210.66
Every Bloomin' Thing	32.00
Fastenal	9.84
Hall's	166.18
Hobbs Turf Farm	675.00
IFA	91.98
Image Matters	163.46
Industrial Tool & Supply	595.46
Itty Bitty	660.72
JBS Food Service	1024.66
John Hayes	132.25
Jrock	2611.20
K&B Service	26.10
KBLQ	500.00
L.D.'s	505.57
Landon Schumann Sound	100.00
Lee's	3256.54
Lewiston City	1662.25
Lewiston State	
Visa	526.00
Logan City	17005.06
Logan Pharmacy	465.72
Logo Concepts	653.24
Lowers	127.17
Lowe's	74.04

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Maverik	267.59
Maverik cemetery	330.00
Maverik Fire	29.28
Meter Works	1198.20
Micromarketing	112.95
NAPA	61.48
North Cache Vet	210.00
Old Castle	71.35
Olson & Hoggan	3123.75
PEHP	171.66
Pepsi	591.00
Peterson Plumbing	149.28
Questar	495.70
Randy's	467.05
Remote Control	779.00
Renegade Rentals	95.94
Rocky Mountain Landscape	2250.00
Rocky Mountain Power	3706.71
RSM	272.45
Safety Supply & Sign	39.65
Smithfield Imp	201.62
Square One	290.89
Standard Plumbing	530.79
Stotz	1142.24
Tamara Hardy	58.00
The Herald	
Journal	602.21
The Home Depot	35.75
United Service & Sales	491.89
Upstart	42.35
UVU	35.00
Verizon	251.09
Wex Bank	74.95
Wheeler	1164.50
Wrights Rainbows	275.00
Zions Visa	1796.10

Adjournment at 9:28 P.M.

RICHMOND CITY CORPORATION

Michael E. Hall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Justin B. Lewis, City Recorder