

**KANAB CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**APRIL 25, 2017**  
**KANAB CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Robert D. Houston, Council Members Byard Kershaw, Michael East, Brent Chamberlain, and Joe B. Wright, Recorder Joe Decker, Attorney Jeff Stott and Treasurer RaeLene Johnson. Council Member Yates excused.

**WORK MEETING:** The 2017/18 budget was discussed. Council Member East asked about raising revenue by raising sales tax by .1%. He said there needs to be a lot of projects done around town. He has looked over the budget and can't see where any expenses can be eliminated. Council Member Chamberlain said before taxes are raised, we need to be able to show for what particular project the money will be spent. Mr. Decker said that nothing has been changed on the budget since the last meeting. The present sources of revenues in the general fund are: Sales Tax, resort tax, energy tax, property tax, transient room tax. Chief Cram addressed the Council. He stated his concerns about the additional time requested for exempt employees. He and his officers have worked additional hours for all the events that have been happening like Western Legends. He requested that they get additional pay for these extra events. He also mentioned all the time and work that Joe Decker, City Manager, put into the skate park. An update on Jacob Hamblin Park was given. Mayor Houston expressed appreciation to all of the community who got involved with helping to lay sod and plant trees. South Central brought some of their employees to help, and a lot of High School students came to help. Mr. Decker said that when Governor Gary Herbert came to Kanab, he was really impressed with all of the progress Kanab has made. They approved of how well the \$200,000 was used that was given to them by the State. Mr. Decker was told that if Kanab ever needs any additional funding for projects, they will be happy to help. Hopefully, the Jacob Hamblin Park will be completed by July 1, 2017. Council Member Kershaw was impressed with Kris Ramsay, a City employee who worked so hard on the Skate Park. Mayor Houston expressed appreciation to all of the crew for all the work they have been doing.

Prayer was offered by Jeff Stott and the pledge was led by Council Member Wright. Mayor called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Council Member Wright and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member East to approve the agenda for April 25<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Yates absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Council Member Wright and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member East to approve the minutes of April 11, 2017. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Yates absent. Council Member Chamberlain abstained because he was not at the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** A motion was made by Council Member Wright and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Chamberlain to approve the accounts payable vouchers and check register dated April 25, 2017 in the amount of \$201,030.66. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Yates absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Celeste Meyeres commented that she was concerned with raising taxes. She felt that instead of raising taxes there needs to be more commerce. If there is more commerce, there will be more revenue. She feels that is a better way.

**RESOLUTION 4-1-17 R:** Mayor Houston read the Resolution. A motion was made by Council Member Kershaw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Wright to adopt resolution #4-1-17R supporting the 2017 Utah/Arizona ATV OHV Club Fun Run. Motion passed by roll call vote. Council Member Yates absent.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 7:00 p.m. A motion was made by Council Member Wright and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Chamberlain to go into executive session to discuss pending or imminent litigation. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Yates absent.

**OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Chamberlain and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Wright. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Yates absent.

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MAYOR     ROBERT D. HOUSTON

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RECORDER     JOE DECKER