

**Kanab City Council Meeting**  
**May 12, 2020**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**26 North 100 East Kanab, UT**

**In Attendance:** Mayor Robert D Houston, Council Members Arlon Chamberlain, Celeste Meyeres, Michael East, Jeff Yates and Byard Kershaw, Recorder Joe Decker, Attorney Jeff Stott and Treasurer Katherine Ohlwiler.

**Work Meeting:** Discuss 2020-2021 Budget. Mayor Houston explained the preliminary budget will be on June 9, 2020 and the final will be discussed on June 23, 2020. They are still trying to factor in what the impacts are on sales tax and the transient room tax will be for the year. Mayor Houston explained he called Ruby's Inn to see what their estimating room reservations for August, September, October and November will be and they felt like they will be down 25%. He also talked to the guys at Aiken's and Red Hills and they felt like they would be down 40%. Utah League of Cities and Towns were at 25%. Joe Decker has been working the budget between 25% and 30% down. Ruby's also explained that they lost \$105,000 in just their TRT for the month of April. Joe Decker explained how tough it has been to try and rework the budget during this pandemic. Operating budgets have been reduced yet staffing will be the same as the goal is to keep the current staff the City has now. The Beautification, Arts and Museum budgets are lower. The City will maintain the fund balance in the General Fund and with the Capitol Projects. Mr. Decker explained that there are also some reserves for cash.

Celeste Meyeres asked how the deferment of water bills payments was going. Joe Decker explained that people aren't doing too bad with paying their bills.

Michael East asked what conversations has the City had with the State on trying to make the City whole with the damage that they have done. Joe Decker explained there hasn't been a whole lot from the State and he's been researching with the federal government on stimulus stuff that is being pushed down. The next package that will come out has quite a bit of money for infrastructure costs. So, he is working on going back for those types of projects that the City has spent money on. But he hasn't had any major conversations with the State. He has also been tracking some payroll stimulus with public safety that the City could be reimbursed from.

Mayor Houston explained that the City is following the State Regulations on opening public places. The County is still planning on a normal 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration and the 10K Race during the Sesquicentennial Celebration as well. Joe Decker explained the fireworks show during the 4<sup>th</sup> will also happen as planned. Mayor Houston reported on the 600 East project and the City is in the process of getting all of the paperwork done and as soon as the City gets the USDA money that project will most likely start.

Jeff Yates prayed and the pledge was led by Byard Kershaw. Mayor Houston called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Jeff Yates and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Byard Kershaw to approve the May 12, 2020 agenda. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Michael East and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Yates to approve the minutes of April 14, 2020. Motion passed.

**Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers and Check Registers:** A motion was made by Byard Kershaw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael East to approve the accounts payable vouchers and check registers dated April 21, 2020 in the amount of \$47,728.89, April 28, 2020 in the amount of \$205,423.75, May 5, 2020 in the amount of \$81,195.24 and May 12, 2020 in the amount of \$87,613.06. Motion passed.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Appoint New Library Board Members:** A motion was made by Celeste Meyeres and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael East to appoint Claudia Presto to the Library Board with a term ending December 31, 2023, Susan Bradbury to the Library Board with a term ending December 31, 2023 and Ken Munro with a term ending December 31, 2024. Motion passed.

**Appoint Julie Hollingsworth to the Beautification Committee with a term ending 12/31/2023:** A motion was made by Byard Kershaw and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arlon Chamberlain to appoint Julie Hollingsworth to the Beautification Committee with a term ending 12/31/2023.

**Discuss Vote on Zone Change for Parcel K-7-15-Annex from RR-1 to R-1-20 location of parcel is 751 South Hillside Drive (applicant Edward Browning):** Arlon Chamberlain explained that the Planning Commission found no problems with this zone change and it follows the Land Use Ordinances. A motion was made by Arlon Chamberlain and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Byard Kershaw to approve the zone change for parcel K-7-15-Annex from RR-1 to R-1-20. Location of parcel is 751 South Hillside Drive applicant Edward Browning. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Jeff Yates and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Byard Kershaw to go in and out of Closed Session at the call of the Mayor to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property, discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual or to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Michael East and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Byard Kershaw to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

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Mayor

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Recorder