

**ALPINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Alpine City Hall, 20 N. Main, Alpine, UT**  
**May 8, 2018**

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Troy Stout.

**A. Roll Call:** The following were present and constituted a quorum:

Mayor Troy Stout

Council Members: Jason Thelin, Ramon Beck, Carla Merrill, Lon Lott

Council Members not present: Kimberly Bryant was excused.

Staff: Shane Sorensen, Charmayne Warnock, David Church, Austin Roy, Brian Gwilliam

Others: Loraine Lott, Ed Bush, McKay Palmer, Bryce Martin, Byron Martin, Sylvia Christiansen, Will Jones, Sullivan Love, Griff Johnson, Rob Chatfield, Roger Bennett, Bill Kirkpatrick, Trish Walker

**B. Prayer:** Carla Merrill

**C. Pledge of Allegiance:** Bryce Martin

**II. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Minutes of the Alpine City Council meeting of April 24, 2018**

**B. Payment Request #2 – 100 South Improvements – Red Pine Construction**

**C. Payment Request #2 – Alpine Waterline Replacement – Stapp Construction**

**D. Bond Release #11 – Three Falls, Phase 2 - \$100,835.10**

**E. Bond Release #4 – Three Falls, Phase 3 - \$112,39.63**

**MOTION:** Lon Lott moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Carla Merrill seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Lon Lott, Carla Merrill, Ramon Beck, Jason Thelin voted aye. Motion passed.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ed Bush – Box Elder Drive. He said the Nature Center website was receiving about a hundred visits a day and several pages were visited during each of those visits. He also reported that they had released the second Lambert Park hike and had given out about ten buttons to people completing the hike. He reported that about 95% of the seedlings in Lambert Park were doing well. Some were budding out. He identified a number of signs on trails in the park that were missing and should be replaced for safety reasons. Finally, he asked about the dumping by the rodeo grounds. Shane Sorensen said it was top soil. They planned to spread it around and plant grass seed to create more overflow parking.

Roger Bennett – 100 East. He said there was a safety problem on 100 East and 200 North. People were parking close enough to the intersection that they blocked the view of oncoming cars. Primarily it was the employees at the Purple Mattress Factory. To make it safe they should paint the curbs red. At least 200 feet of red curb would be preferable. He said he understood that the employees were supposed to be parking in their own parking lot.

Bill Kirkpatrick – 200 North and 200 East. He said he had lived there for 48 years and it was very nice but lately there had been a persistent and annoying humming sound coming from the Purple Mattress Factory. It had been going all day Friday, Saturday and into Sunday morning. He had gone over to the factory one day when the humming was going on, but no one was there. He located a few workers on the dock but they knew nothing about it. In addition, people in his neighborhood could hear the generators on the food trucks that came to Purple during the lunch hour. He suggested Purple should supply power for the food trucks so they didn't have to run their generators. He said people doing construction work had to comply with noise restrictions. Businesses in residential neighborhood should have similar restrictions.

Mayor Stout asked Shane Sorensen to look into it.

Bryce Martin said that for his Eagle Project he was working with the Alpine Youth Council on their flags. They put out flags along Main Street on holidays and on the graves of Veterans on Memorial Day. They'd had a lot of problems with the flag holders keep them upright, and some of the flags were tattered. He was proposed to get some new flags and flag holders. He wanted to know if the City had a budget to buy new flags. He would also do a fundraiser to earn money for the project. They needed about 40 new flags and flag holders. He estimated the cost of the flags and equipment would be \$1,700. Shane Sorensen said he believed the City had purchased flags in the past. It was uncertain how much the City would contribute.

Trish Walker said she had been the Youth Council leader the previous year. She and her daughter were over the flag program. There were more people passing away each year so they needed more flags. Replacing the flags every ten years was a major purchase. She suggested there be a continuing budget allowance to purchase flags every year as they became worn. She suggested bringing back the Memorial Day breakfast and charging people for it. That revenue could go toward flags.

#### **IV. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS: None**

#### **V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **A. PUBLIC HEARING ON TENTATIVE BUDGET FY 2018-19**

Shane Sorensen reviewed the highlights of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19. There was an increase of 5.7% over last year's budget, most of which was due to an increase in emergency services. Health insurance costs went up but dental insurance went down. ACE trash collection rates were increasing according to the consumer rate index, and tipping fee were increasing. The police budget showed an increase of 0.96% which did not include a new officer. The increase from the fire department was 14.83%. The Lone Peak Public Safety District had already adopted their tentative budget and would be adopting their final budget on Thursday.

Shane Sorensen also reviewed the upcoming capital project and replacement of vehicles. Among other capital improvement projects, they would need to replace the roof on City Hall and were looking at either shake shingles or asphalt shingles. Shake shingles cost almost twice as much as asphalt and needed maintenance. They also needed to budget for a sprinkler upgrade in Legacy Park. Relative to staff, they budgeted for a fulltime events person at \$20/hour and a part-time person in the building department.

Troy Stout said that a couple of years ago, the Council had agreed to put \$20,000 into the budget annually for Lambert Park. He said he would also like to see funds budgeted for the Dry Creek Corridor. He suggested they also look at hiring a part-time code enforcement officer. He'd heard numerous complaints about violations that were not being addressed.

Mayor Stout opened the Hearing for public comment. There were no comments.

##### **B. Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19.**

**MOTION:** Ramon Beck moved to approve the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19, and schedule a public hearing on the Final Budget for June 12, 2018. Jason Thelin seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Jason Thelin, Ramon Beck, Carla Merrill, Lon Lott vote aye. Motion passed.

**C. Alpine View Estate Exception:** Austin Roy explained that in PRDs, areas with slopes above 25% were usually located in the open space. In situations where that was not the case, the ordinance allowed an exception for lots which contained an area of 5% or less having a slope of 25% or more. Ten of the lots in Alpine View Estates contained an area with a slope of 25% or more. It comprised less than 5% of the lot. One lot contained more than 5% of the ground with a slope in excess of 25%. However, the slope had been created by a manmade hill. Developer Griff Johnson said the hill would be leveled when the subdivision was developed or he could level it sooner if the Council desired.

The exception was recommended by staff. Following some discussion, a motion was made to approve the exception.

**MOTION:** Ramon Beck moved to accept the staff recommendation and approve the exception for Alpine View Estates based on the ordinance allowing exceptions as set forth in Section 3.9.4 (A) of the Development Code. Lon Lott seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Ramon Beck, Lon Lott, Carla Merrill, Jason Thelin voted aye. Motion passed.

**D. General Plan – Parks Element.** This item was discussed toward the end of the meeting.

**E. Lambert Park Signage:** Shane Sorensen presented the proposed verbiage for the signs in Lambert Park that would notify people that motorized vehicles were prohibited and that violators would be ticketed and fined. It also stated that shooting was not allowed in the park or city limits. It read as follows.

*Effective April 25, 2018. Lambert Park is closed to motorized vehicles, except maintenance and emergency vehicles. See map for closed areas. This closure will be strictly enforced by the Lone Peak Police Department. Violation of this policy is a class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500, as per Section 11-400 of the Alpine City Municipal Code. No shooting is allowed in Lambert park or within Alpine City limits.*

The Council discussed the proposed language and made a number of suggestions.

- Remove the date so there was no mistaken impression that it was a temporary order.
- Bold and enlarge the part that says the park is closed to motorized vehicles.
- Put in enforcement language at the bottom of the sign in smaller print.
- Include the police phone number (801-756-9800) for people to report violators.
- State “Absolutely No Shooting Allowed” on a separate sign and post it below the main sign.

Carla Merrill said she would do a mockup of the sign with the suggestions, and send it out to everyone before they approved the verbiage.

**F. Potential exception for vehicular access to Lambert Park during poppy season:** Carla Merrill said she wanted to talk about an exception for people to drive into the park when the poppies were blooming. It would be for people who couldn’t hike or bike. They had talked about having parking in the future Lambert Park Estates subdivision so people could park and walk to the poppies, but homes would eventually be built there and she wanted a more permanent solution.

Lon Lott said he had felt the motion made at the previous meeting was too much of a blanket statement, which was why he voted against it. He wanted more clarity on parking areas that would allow access to park features for people who were unable to walk or bike. He referred to a map Jed Muhlestein had put together a map of the area where he suggested they make a small graded parking area at the end of Box Elder Way so people going to see the poppies would only have to walk five or six hundred feet to see them. They would still have to walk but it would be closer than the stake center.

Jason Thelin said he liked Lon Lott’s idea. When the poppy season was over, it would provide a parking area for people who were biking. Troy Stout noted later in the meeting that the creation of a parking area would require a super-majority vote.

Ramon Beck said that last year, the poppies got trashed from all the traffic and visitors. Carla Merrill said a scout was planning to fence the poppies as an Eagle project. He was just waiting for signage.

Troy Stout asked Chief Gwilliam about enforcement for a two-week period while the poppies were blooming. People could pick up a permit at City Hall to drive up there.

Chief Gwilliam said he didn’t think it would be too difficult. In reference to motorized vehicles, he said the Council needed to be aware that motorized wheelchairs were allowed in the parks by the code.

**D. General Plan – Parks Element – Parking plan for the south end of Lambert Park.** David Fotheringham, Planning Commission Chairman, said the Planning Commission had made a motion recommending a parking area with twenty to thirty stalls on the south entrance to Lambert Park near the restrooms. He said it would

not be a parking lot but rather the cars could be parked along either side of the north/south road coming up into the park from the direction of the LDS Stake Center. He pointed it out on the map.

The Council discussed the proposal and agreed there could be some limited parking along the east/west road as well. They also discussed the park entry sign and fencing on the south end. Farther up the roads they would post the No Motorized Vehicles signs. It was suggested that the road could be paved up to the point where the No Motorized Vehicle signs were posted.

**MOTION:** Carla Merrill moved to create a parking area by the south restroom in the southwest corner of the park by the north stake center with up to 30 stalls utilizing the north/south and east/west roads on both sides of the road with layout and design to be decided. Lon Lott seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Carla Merrill, Lon Lott, Ramon Beck, Jason Thelin voted aye. Motion passed.

**G. Resolution No. R2018-06 - Consolidated Fee Schedule:** Shane Sorensen said the proposed resolution would increase the fee for a Saturday burial for a resident from \$850 to \$1000. They were seeing a lot more Saturday burials in the past months, which required overtime pay for two employees to handle to the opening and closing of the graves. The Council asked if the rate increase would be sufficient to cover the overtime cost and if they should look at increasing the cost of a Saturday burial for a nonresident as well. Currently, the cost of a Saturday burial for a nonresident was \$1,500 and \$1,000 for a weekday burial. No action was taken. The Council wanted to look at other items in the fee schedule that might need adjustment.

## VI. STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Stout asked Will Jones to report on the trail committee. Will Jones said they had made a lot of progress on the trails in Lambert Park and were looking forward being ready for Trail Day on May 19<sup>th</sup>. They had also connected a trail to Corner Canyon in Draper.

Austin Roy said the Planning Commission was going to discuss an aspect of the General Plan every week. They wanted input from the Council on Lambert Park. Mayor Stout said to put it on a future agenda. He also wanted to include the Dry Creek Central Corridor in the discussions and include funds for it in the budget.

David Church said Patterson's lawsuit against Alpine City and Don Watkins was going to trial at the end of May and would go for nine days. It would be a jury trial. Some members of the Council were on the witness list, but if they didn't get a subpoena, they didn't have to show up.

Charmayne Warnock said Lynn Higgins had volunteered to be in charge of planning and conducting the Memorial Day program which would be held in the Alpine City cemetery on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. It would begin at 7:30 am. They had missed advertising it in the May Newslane but it would be noticed on the City webpage and Facebook page.

## VII. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Lon Lott said there were still parking issues at Timberline Middle School when there were games. There were some areas where the curb needed to be painted red just like at Burgess Park, especially at that the corners, to provide a safer situation. Kids were running out into the street from between the parked cars. Troy Stout noted that when he went to the game on Saturday, there were very few cars parked in the parking lot. They were all lined up along the street. They needed some signs telling people to park in the parking lot.

Troy Stout said they needed to paint a crosswalk on High Bench road between the church parking lot and Smooth Canyon Park.

Carla Merrill

- They needed to look at painting the crosswalks by the Timberline Middle School.
- She got an email from Michael Simmons regarding code enforcement. People were encroaching on open space on Ridge Lane where kids were building forts.

- She asked where they were on signage around the poppies

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None held.

**MOTION:** Ramon Beck moved to adjourn. Carla Merrill seconded. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. Jason Thelin, Ramon Beck, Carla Merrill, Lon Lott vote aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm.