

ALPINE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING Tuesday, April 13, 2021

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Troy Stout welcomed everyone to the City Council meeting and began with a roll call.

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

Carla Merrill, Greg Gordon, Jessica Smuin, Lon Lott, Jason Thelin

Staff: Shane Sorensen, Craig Hall, Bonnie Cooper, Heidi Jackman, Chief Reed Thompson, Chief Brian Gwilliam

Others: Kami Burgess, Josh Daniels, Ron Robinson, Richard James, Will Jones, Glen Parker, Amelia Powers

Prayer: Lon Lott

Pledge: Mayor Troy Stout

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

- **Approve City Council minutes of March 23, 2021**
- **Pay Request No. 1 – 800 S Road Improvement Project: \$56,193.83**
- **Bond Release #11 – The Ridge at Alpine Phase 3: \$39,000.00**
- **Bond Release #3 – The Ridge at Alpine Phase 4: \$26,054.00**

Motion: Lon Lott moved to approve the consent calendar with changes made by Lon Lott and Greg Gordon to the minutes of March 23, 2021. Carla Merrill Seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
Greg Gordon
Jason Thelin
Lon Lott

Nays

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

IV. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Rank Choice Voting – Chris Harelson from Elections Division of Utah County Clerk Auditor's Office

Mayor Troy Stout explained that the representatives from Utah County Elections Office are here to answer questions and explain Rank Choice Voting. He asked if the representatives from the county could give the council an honest assessment of the downsides of Rank Choice Voting. Josh Daniels, Utah County Elections, said the downside is like any election if the candidate you voted for does not win. He said the county has the principles and rules that they follow, and when we follow those rules, we all try to at least be content with the outcome. He said democracy being one of those ideas that everyone in the community get a say. He said election law comes and there are rules, and we follow those rules, another big principle is a majority. He said if a majority of the voters elect a representative the voter at least knows that they had a chance to try to get what they wanted. He said one of the challenges to the process depending on the rules as you have seen in municipal elections people do not always win in the majority of the party. He said the state of Utah saw this in the Governor's race in the general election. He said the winner did not win with over 50% of the votes because it was a four-way race. He said in a case in the state of Maine there was a three-way race where in incumbent lost. He said the three-way race is sometimes a spoiler. He thinks this is where voters get concerned.

Josh Daniels said the feature of Rank Choice Voting is how do we avoid a plurality outcome; how do we produce a majority outcome in a race where you have more than two candidates for a given seat. He said Rank Choice Voting lends itself well for City Council because the city will often have two or three open seats. He said Rank Choice Voting can save money because it eliminates the Primary Election. He said the city could just have a General Election and the voters can rank the candidates without narrowing the field with a Primary Election. Amelia Powers, Utah County

Clerk Auditor, said during the election in 2012 between Mia Love, former United States Representative for the Republican Party, lost to Jim Matheson, incumbent former United States Representative for the Democratic Party. She said in Utah the spoiler candidate tends to be either a Constitutionalist or a Libertarian party candidate. She said she is in favor of the rank choice voting where they are not voting against someone. She said most of the residents seem to feel better about the outcome of the election even if the winner is their second choice. Josh Daniels said campaigns seem to be more civil because the candidate is trying to be someone second choice as well as first choice.

Mayor Troy Stout said he felt Primary Elections do the same thing. Amelia Powers said Primaries do, but they also tend to have less turnout from voters. Jason Thelin, City Council member, asked if the city chooses Rank Choice Voting will this save us money. Amelia Powers said it would cut the City's costs by half. Jason Thelin asked what happens if he only voted for one of the four candidates on the ballot would his vote still count. Amelia Powers said the lowest person would be eliminated. She said voting this way does not make your vote invalid. Josh Daniels said it means there is no back up vote if your candidate does not win. Jason Thelin asked if that bottom person is off the ballot. Amelia Powers answered yes, as we go to the second choice of that person's ballot. Josh Daniels said each ballot is counted until the winner is picked. He said if that candidate does not win, they do not have a backup vote that is when their vote is no longer counted. He said in the past election most of the voters voted for all the choices. He said a voter will have two or three weeks to go over the ballot and research the candidates.

Jason Thelin asked if the city will need to train the voters here in Alpine. Amelia Powers said this is an educational process the county has been giving grants to help fund the educational material. She said the county gave them out ballots at assisted living centers without any instruction about how it was fill out just to see if they would understand. She said they did not have any problems. She said in last year's election the county did a lot of training on drop boxes and our utilization went up to about 80% and the county has only had drop boxes for the past two years. Jason Thelin asked is there any way to manipulate the election with Rank Choice Voting. He said Alpine does have parties (Republican and Democrat, etc.) in our elections. He asked what would happen if the city had three open seats for City Council and three individuals get together teaming up and campaign together as a group. Amelia Powers said in any plurality election candidates can do this.

Josh Daniels said in any election there is strategy. He said strategy must follow the rules and laws. He said he does not think there has to be strategies that you have to burn down your opponent to win an election. He said in Rank Choice Voting a candidate would not need to campaign that way. He said when a candidate is out campaigning and meets a voter that says that they are not their first choice, that candidate could ask the voter if they would consider him/her as their second choice. He said this gives the candidate the ability to lobby to be a second or third choice of the voter. Amelia Powers hope is that voters become more engaged in the voting process because they get to vote for the person they want and rank the others instead of voting against a candidate. She said with Rank Choice Voting the voter may not have their first choice win but if their second choice wins oftentimes the voter feels better about that. She said campaigns seem to be more civil. She said in a municipal primary election voter turnout is usually very low compared to the general election. She said Rank Choice Voting gives more people the ability to have more say. Josh Daniels said voting by mail gives the voter more time to research the candidates.

Carla Merrill, City Council member, asked if in the Mayor's race there were three candidates and instead of a majority getting a plurality so theoretically a candidate could get 34% of the votes and still not win as mayor. She said however her concern is that the second or third choice could actually win. Amelia Powers said number three would be eliminated. She said politically who voted for number three really liked number two more than number one, then their votes could go to number two. She said so instead of having someone win with 34% of the vote they would win with 60% of the vote. Mayor Troy Stout said he feels like a lot of education is necessary with Rank Choice Voting. He said it is easy to rank them, but his concern is if the voter does not understand how the votes are counted and a candidate is eliminated.

Amelia Powers said the county sent a survey out after the election 80% preferred the rank choice voting and wanted to continue or expand it to all elections. Lon Lott, City Council member, asked is the state is doing Rank Choice Voting on a trial type bases how many cities are participating this year that participated last year. Josh Daniel said Vineyard and Payson did it last time and will be participating this election. He said one of the challenges was that most of the county clerks personally came together and opposed it. He said no other county outside of Utah County have tried Rank Choice Voting. He said this election other counties are willing to try Rank Choice Voting. Amelia Powers said six cities have opted in and there could be as many as six to ten more. Lon Lott asked what size cities were going to participate. Amelia Powers said the cities vary in size. She said some that a participated include Riverton, Sandy, Bluffdale, Draper, Payson, and Vineyard. Lon Lott asked if the ballot looked confusing compared to what the voters have seen in the past. Amelia Powers said the ballots were not statically different than any other election. Josh Daniels said the ballot is set up in a grid. He said the ballot was intuitive to have the voter fill out. Greg Gordon, City Council member, asked if a voter ranks two candidates with the same ranking is the whole ballot spoiled or how does the county count that. Josh Daniels said the vote would be eliminated. Mayor Troy Stout said he opposed mail in

voting but agreed it has created a higher level of involvement. He said he feels mail in voting has slowed down the announcement of the winners. He asked if the voters would have to wait for a declaration of a winner with Rank Choice Voting. Amelia Powers said whenever it is a close race it can take weeks. Mayor Troy Stout said we were able to give a winner that night of the election, Amelia Powers we would be able to get you preliminary results by election night. She said as in all elections the final canvas happens two weeks after election night. She said on election night the county will be able to give the city unofficial results. Josh Daniels said when voters wait until the very last day or the county is waiting to receive all mail in ballots on election night, we usually only have 75 - 85% of the votes completely counted on election night.

Carla Merrill said her concern is that the candidate who receives the most votes could be the candidate who will not necessarily win the election. Lon Lott said the city has two seats for four-year terms and one seat for a two-year term that will be separated on the election ballot. He said a candidate would have to declare which seat they would be running for either the two- or four-year term. Jason Thelin asked if results will be posted and available to the candidates after the election of where the candidate ranked. Amelia Powers said yes, as well as a graph that shows each round as the votes are counted. Greg Gordon asked outside of Australia where has the Rank Choice Voting been used. Josh Daniels said in the 1900's it was first used here in America. Mayor Troy Stout said it would shorten the election season. He said the cost for election costs have gone up 50% since last year. He said it seems like the cities are being herded towards Rank Choice Voting.

Amelia Powers said cheap elections do not run well. She said the 2019 election went much better. She said she is very proud of the way her team ran the last election. She said the Washington Post did an eight-minute video shown nationwide as a model. She said the video showed how the county cleaned up the election process in Utah County. She said the reason for the price increase was because her predecessor had no statical data. She said they had guessed on the last elections cost at \$1.85. She said now that the county has the data that was tracked. She said now the county knows exactly how much each ballot will cost which is \$2.23. She said if it costs anything less that that the law says the county "shall pass that along" to the city. She said the county does not want to be embarrassed again like in 2017 when they were called out by the Governor. She said \$2.25 will be the cap price of each ballot. She said if the price is anything less, we will pass along those saving. She said Alpine should see a savings with the use of our new Drop Box, also the state pays for the maintenance and licensing of the software we can pass that savings along to the city as well.

Mayor Troy Stout asked if the City Council wanted to see this on the next agenda. All City Council members agreed to have the Rank Choice Voting back on the agenda at the next meeting. Alpine has until May 10, 2021 to decide on Rank Choice Voting.

B. Financial Report Fiscal Year 2021

Shane Sorensen, City Administrator, explained that the city will not be amending the budget until June 2021. He said the city needs to amend the budget for the purchase of the code enforcement truck and legal services. He said the city has had less traffic violations because less people have been on the roads because of COVID 19. He said general fund revenues were sitting at 79.3% and 75% through the year so the city is in good shape. He said nothing is out of the ordinary with expenditures. He said the city has a lot of projects going on right now that have not been taken out of the budget.

Shane Sorensen said he is close to having a complete budget and would like to meet with each City Council member individually to go over it. Jason Thelin requested to see everyone's salary and what the workload is attached to their job, along with benefits and pensions. Greg Gordon asked if the city has a schedule of when vehicles need to purchase in the future. Shane Sorensen said he has a spreadsheet on vehicles that will need to be purchased and that will be part of that budget.

V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Request to Access City Open Space – 22 S. Pfeifferhorn Drive

Shane Sorensen explained Ron Robinson has requested access to city open space. He said that there is a trail behind Ron Robinson's property, he needs permission to be able to have access behind his home to get material on to his property. Mayor Troy Stout said Ron Robinson said he was told he could access it through the northern side of his property. He said in 2013 Mr. Robinson accessed the same area and there were no problems. *Ron Robinson said he has 110 feet the secondary sprinkler box and flower he has paid the bonds to the city. They want to bring in road base and a bobcat two day and a couple of weeks apart.*

Lon Lott visited the site today. He said he has a few concerns about the large rocks being put back, also asked if Mr. Robinson has asked permission from the private lot to the south of the city open space. Lon Lott said the city would have to open the open space area up for Mr. Robinson to have access. He said he remembers permission was granted in the past and then the city had to block it off with rocks later after people abused it. He asked if access to the trail has closed. *Ron Robinson said his builder said he would need to get a permit.* Lon Lott said he would personally like to see that there will be construction equipment using the trail the neighbor would know if they would want access to the open space that they would have to go through the process just like Mr. Robinson. *Ron Robinson said he would be willing to contact all 15 neighbors to make them aware.* Mayor Troy Stout asked if there could be a sign that could be put up so that others will know that there is a permit to do so. Lon Lott said the city needs to be cautious regarding granting access to the city's open space. Jason Thelin asked if in the motion they could add conditions that Mr. Robinson agreed to. Lon Lott said he would add those things to his motion.

Motion: Lon Lott moved to approve the request by Ron Robinson to access his property with the following conditions: enter via the open space at the north end of Pfeifferhorn drive, his first attempt would be to get permission from the property owners south of Alpine city's property and using the tracking pad. Streets shall be cleaned after and pneumatic wheeled equipment shall be used. Mr. Robinson shall notify all neighbors along that portion of the trail that there will be construction traffic, so they are aware that it is for Mr. Robinson and it is by permit only. Access and use of trail will be finished and put back to original condition by May 15, 2021, also a sign must be posted at the beginning of the trail saying that this project is permitted for address 22 Pfeifferhorn by the city. Greg Gordon Seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
Greg Gordon
Jason Thelin
Lon Lott

Nays

B. Resolution No. R2021-07: Appointment of Utah Lake Commission Alternate Member

Mayor Troy Stout said Lon Lott has been serving on the Utah Lake Commissions the council needs to appoint an alternate in case Lon Lott is unable to attend a meeting. He said he recommended appointing City Engineer, Jed Muhlestein, to become the alternate. Carla Merrill asked why this nomination was necessary. Lon Lott said having an alternate is one of the bylaws of the Utah Lake Commission and they have asked us to appoint an alternate.

Motion: Carla Merrill moved to approve the appointment of City Engineer, Jed Muhlestein to be an alternate member of the Utah Lake Commission. Jessica Smuin Seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
Greg Gordon
Jason Thelin
Lon Lott

Nays

C. Alpine Days/Rodeo Budget

Shane Sorensen said he met with Kami Burgess, Alpine Days Chair, yesterday and outline events for this year and reducing the costs and taking different approaches. He said Kami Burgess and her committee are asking for donations, such as a golf cart. He said in previous years the city has rented golf carts, this will save us a considerable amount of money. He said Kami Burgess is willing to approach it however the council wants to this year. He said if the council gets her a budget, she will use that budget. She will craft the events after that budget. He said in a previous City Council meeting the council had talked about removing the teen dance, stage and sound systems.

Mayor Troy Stout said his feeling is the residents missed out on last year's Alpine Days and we want to have it be a community event. He said he would like to spend more money on the senior's dinner because they are the ones who have suffered the most during this time of the pandemic. Greg Gordon said this is a cost versus revenue and it is hard to pin down. Kami Burgess said she has been trying to cut costs on anything the people do not pay for. She said but with the 5k the bid is \$3.50 I can pass that along to the runner. She said she has cut things like a \$2700 video and

logos for \$2500 or other items that were costly in the past that is not necessary. Shane Sorensen said he will have regular meetings with Kami Burgess and her committee. Mayor Troy Stout said let's get input what the council would like her to invest their money in. Kami Burgess said she is thinking of charging \$8 for residents, \$15 for nonresident wrist bands for the carnival. She said she is looking to have at least two items per age group for the children and are cutting out duplicates. She said the carnival will be only one day and not two this year. Jessica Smuin likes scaling back and reevaluating. Kami Burgess said since the council did not want to have the teen dance the committee has decided on a family dance night.

Jason Thelin asked is it the city's goal to be making money or breaking even. Shane Sorensen said the council could set the budget somewhere in the middle of the last few years. Jason Thelin said he would prefer to get sponsorship like in the past. Jason Thelin said costs for events should be cost neutral. Shane Sorensen said in the past we have had to adjust the budget after the event and the city had to absorb the costs. He said in the city's budget we need to be able to plug a revenue number in and an expense number as well. Lon Lott said he took an average before of about 35000 that would be the expense after all the revenues and everything even though the budget was set at like 100,000 the final expense was 50,000 that it ended up being was about \$5.38 per person for 6,000 people. He said in the end we want it to be an event that everyone can enjoy. He said there is some point the city will have expenses. He said this is a way we can unify our community. Mayor Troy Stout said he likes what Kami Burgess has come up with so far for Alpine Days. He said he remembers some people would go out of town because everyone was coming from outside of Alpine. He said he like that she is making it about coming home because everyone missed out on it last year. Kami Burgess said the event catalogs will be mailed out to only Alpine residents and will be on Facebook but not shareable along with the city website. Jason Thelin suggested doing the mailers he feels like residents have lost out because we have gone digital. Kami Burgess said in the past the city spent \$3000 to print 450 mailers that go out to the residents. She said she would continue having something put in the newsletter each month.

Jason Thelin asked if tonight the City Council is just setting a budget goal. He asked what were the city's net losses. Kami Burgess said the revenue in the past for wristbands was \$80,000. She said the city needs to have those number. Greg Gordon said that nearly 430 people for the mountain biker showed up to race in previous years. Kami Burgess said we have no information on the previous years for the Pickleball Tournament. She said she is aware lot of those events in the past broke even, but the Pickleball Tournament made money. She said the gentleman over the tournament has a rough estimate of how much revenue was made. Shane Sorensen said staff has a goal to have transparency this year. Kami Burgess said she is setting this up as if she were not going to be taking this over next year. She said the City Council and staff will always have access what is happening with Alpine Days. Jessica Smuin asked if a Venmo account could set up for the city. Kami Burgess said she was going to talk to Carolyn Riley, City Treasurer, to set that up. Mayor Troy Stout said the Alpine Days Committee needs to go through the attorney to make sure we are compliant. Lon Lott said it costs about 2-3% extra. He said we are spending dollars now. Shane Sorensen said the rodeo needs to be at about \$35,000 this year. Greg Gordon said one thought is that we did not have Alpine Days last year, so we have this year's budget and last years also. Lon Lott asked said what if we gave that same budget as last year and try to stay under that.

Mayor Troy Stout said the outside chance that we would have another COVID-19 epidemic that our risk would not be as large. Jason Thelin said canceling Alpine Days last year was the right thing to do. Shane Sorensen said if the council wants to make a motion to maintain the budget the way it has been in the past four years to try to come in well under budget. He said he feels like \$100,000 would work with the discussions he has had with Kami Burgess. Jessica Smuin asked if the rodeo is separate and needs to be part of the motion. Lon Lott said as Kami Burgess works her magic, we need to consider the following things ticket sales and our net loss. Mayor Troy Stout said we are working with next year's budget. Lon Lott said the city still has \$100,000 in last year's budget for Alpine Days because it was canceled. Greg Gordon asked if the council is thinking \$135,000 is too high of a budget. He said we should advertise outside of Alpine for rodeo and the 5K and keep the rest just for locals. Mayor Troy Stout said if we advertise the bike race at bike stores and contact bike clubs. He said Kami Burgess has come in with a great perspective.

Motion: Jessica Smuin motioned to approve \$115,000 for the Alpine Days budget with an additional \$30,000 for the Alpine Days Rodeo. Lon Lott seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
Greg Gordon
Jason Thelin
Lon Lott

Nays

D. Approval to Pre-Order 10 Wheel Dump Truck (FY 2022)

Shane Sorensen explained said it is a long waiting time for trucks. He said he and Landon Wallace, Public Works Streets Supervisor, had gone to look at the company they have worked with in the past. He said the dump truck would be approved in the budget later. He said all city trucks are rear wheel drive. He said staff is looking into a four-wheel drive, but we would only be able to use it to plow snow and that is it. He said Three Falls gets different snow than the rest of the city which makes plowing difficult in that area of town. He said sometimes on the west side of town they have high snow drifts. He said staff looked and the double axel truck that can spin at the same time and could be used later to haul asphalt. He said he feels that is a more efficient option.

He said with street sweeping the city hauls out debris to Fairfield Dump. He said the city is billed by the ton. He said it is the same labor but takes more material that is why the city is looking at 10-wheeler. The 10-wheeler is around \$250,000. He said the city's streetsweeper has only one more payment on it. He said the city could pay for the dump truck in payment or cash. He said the city needs a commitment because they will not have this truck later this year. Jessica Smuin asked how long this truck will last. Shane Sorensen said most trucks last 15 years. He said the truck would arrive late November.

Motion: Jason Thelin moved to approve the preorder of the 10 Wheel Dump Truck (FY 2022) not to exceed \$250,000. Lon Lott Seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
Greg Gordon
Jason Thelin
Lon Lott

Nays

VI. STAFF REPORTS

Chief Reed Thompson said the fire department have taken down some trees for a city sidewalk projects. He said he fire fighters were able to do some recertification with their saws.

Chief Brian Gwilliam said there is an opportunity to be in a police simulator and we can coordinate that. He said the council can participate as much or as little as they want. He said he would resend the email to the council. He said the Lone Peak Safety District has their meeting tomorrow. Mayor Troy Stout asked about the citations in Lambert Park. Chief Brian Gwilliam said 90 warnings and 30 citations went out. He said LPPD (Lone Peak Police Department) is trying to educate the public regarding no vehicles in Lambert Park. He said for the first couple of weeks giving out the citations seems to work, and residents obey for a little while and then after it starts to happen again. He said that we must go back and educate the public again. Mayor Troy Stout asked Chief Gwilliam to send the statistics from Lambert Park to the council. Mayor Troy Stout asked Shane Sorensen to have an update on the Bollards installation at Lambert Park for the next City Council meeting.

Craig Hall, City Attorney, said he has an update on the Blue Bison appeal hearing and the process going forward. Mayor Troy Stout asked if Paxton Guymon, Attorney representing the Alpine City in the hearing, would be giving the presentation at the next City Council meeting. Craig Hall answered yes. He introduced his wife of 49 years.

Shane Sorensen said he is grateful to Heidi Jackman, Utilities Manager, for helping tonight with the audio/visual. He said Austin Roy, City Planner, is out of town and he thought it was a good idea to have a backup person.

Shane Sorensen said staff had a meeting with ACE. He said ACE had it built into their contract a three-year renewal. He said ACE's bid came back at a 1.4% increase. He said he had anticipated the increase to be higher. He said staff has looked at some other options and programs for green waste. He said staff got prices, Murray City said they would rent dumpsters to residents for a couple of days at the rate of \$50. Mayor Troy Stout said a neighborhood could share the cost of a dumpster to do a spring cleanup project. He asked if ACE would cover the costs. Shane Sorensen said Craig Hall happens to be the attorney for TSSD and it would be very costly to the city to get back into a contract with them. Shane Sorensen said ACE would do it and maybe the city could offer a coupon project with the \$22 fee. He said the city could give out X number of dump passes or we could do something similar to what we do with a library refund with a receipt the resident would bring into the city. Greg said it can be frustrating to get the bins Shane Sorensen is talking about from Murray City. He asked if there was a way to check the availability. Chief Reed Thompson said maybe the city could get reimbursed by the state because it would apply to fuel mitigations. Mayor Troy Stout thinks they have done a great job. Shane Sorensen said it would not interfere with the city's dealing with the dump. He said the city pays separately for its dumping fees. Carla Merrill asked why Alpine City does not recycle glass. Greg Gordon

said most cities do not recycle glass. Shane Sorensen said it is sorted by hand for the recyclables and it could be hazardous.

Shane Sorensen updated the council on projects throughout the city. He said the 800 South project is under construction and should be gated for curb soon. Lon Lott said he lives in this area and this is the first time he has had a new access point to his home. Shane Sorensen said Hillside Circle project is nearly complete. He said the 300 North Well is within budget and he is very hopefully this will fix the problem. He said the city may have to work with the contractors on CUP bid because supplies have gone up in price. He said the work will be completed by July or August.

Shane Sorensen said PI (Pressurized Irrigation) is on throughout the city and will be in all lines Wednesday April 14, 2021.

Shane Sorensen said the remodel of City Hall is complete. He said before using the new entrance staff will need to restripe the parking lot, move phelines, and computer lines.

Shane Sorensen said Crossfire trail may be close to the boundary and we will have to put up signs. Mayor Troy Stout asked how doable is that trail going to be. He suspects it will be a good trail. Jason Thelin asked if the stakes that were up were for the boundary line. Jason Thelin said they are for people to see how close they are to the trail. Mayor Troy Stout said have the signage. Jason Thelin asked about the building. Craig Hall said the city has met about the building we have a practical enforcement issue. He said the city can post it and, but we are not sure how to enforce it. Mayor Troy Stout said we are layering to enforce the issue this create one more avenue and if it is only 5-10% part of the solution. Greg Gordon said this is a small group who goes up there and shoots. Mayor Troy Stout said we have a foot officer or a bike officer in the future. Chief Brian Gwilliam said the access to the shooting range it would be the federal officers to enforce it. Mayor Troy Stout said County Sherriff could enforce we could look into that.

Jason Thelin said the council has already approved this in a motion. He said he is not looking to Craig Hall to have litigation. Jason Thelin said the city should move forward with the plans for the structure. He said posted at the structure could be a layered approach saying here is the federal law and having people pickup to their shell casings. Craig Hall was not able to find what qualifies as a structure with the forest service in order to enforce no shooting within 50 feet of the structure. Mayor Troy Stout said we have looked at it from many different angles. Craig Hall said that if larger than 200 square feet then it is a structure and requires a building permit. Greg Gordon said if the city says what a structure is, and it is on city land the forest service would have to enforce the law. Jessica Smuin suggested making that area part of the recreational area. Mayor Troy Stout said the city could make the structure be a horse tie up post or a pump station for bikes. Shane Sorensen said a developed trail is not a developed recreational area. Jessica Smuin commented that if law abiding citizens see the structure, they are going to obey the no shooting. Mayor Troy Stout said lets get something that requires a building permit. He said the forest service knows how we feel about shooting in the area of Lambert Park. Greg Gordon said the city could put a sign where near the area where people park. Craig Hall said the applicability the city could put up a sign and then have a pavilion. He said followed up by a letter sent to the forest service indicating that the city expects them to enforce the law. He said the city can put the forest service on notice. He said the forest service can be the ones who say they are not going to enforce the law. Jason Thelin suggested the city start with a bare minimum of a cement pad, bench with roof and signage behind it and maybe a locker for the staff to use. Mayor Troy Stout said let's at least get the cement pour set up and be proactive. Shane Sorensen said staff and emergency vehicles need to have access up to that road. Mayor Troy Stout instructed Shane Sorensen to have all the material ordered beforehand for the cement pad pour because he wants the structure done this summer. He suggested using materials the council has already discussed such as wood with metal roof and cement pad. Jessica Smuin said it needs to be a cohesive look.

Shane Sorensen updated the council on Lambert Park bollards saying they have been ordered. He said staff does not have a delivery date yet.

VIII COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Lon Lott made staff aware of a gopher problem up at the rodeo grounds. Shane Sorensen said he will get a hold of a pest control company to take care of the problem. Lon Lott asked staff to put up a no fires sign at the bowery by the rodeo grounds that can be removable. Shane Sorensen said he would take care of that also.

Jessica Smuin asked for the status update on the Alpine City website. Shane Sorensen said he would be willing to share the information with Jessica Smuin. Jessica Smuin suggested that maybe Carolyn Riley, City Treasurer, could come to a City Council meeting and present two of the companies

Mayor Troy Stout said he was near Flank Trail by Bald Mountain Drive and saw some lot numbers going up there, was the city aware of them and does the city have a public easement. Shane Sorensen said he was aware of one

vacant lot. He said the city does not have an easement. Mayor Troy Stout said it is planting season and staff needs to start on the flowerpots on Main Street.

Jason Thelin asked if the legal team could contact Apple/Google maps regarding the road in Lambert Park because we are still having large truck using it. Shane Sorensen said to some degree it is not their fault. Mayor Troy Stout said there is a sign posted there and the driver disobeyed it. He said it is a big safety issue. Craig Hall said he will look into that.

Carla Merrill reminded everyone that Trail Day is Saturday April 17, 2021 at 8:00 am in Lambert Park.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None held

Motion: Carla Merrill motioned to adjourn. Lon Lott seconded the motion. There were 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, as recorded below. The motion passed unanimously.

Ayes

Carla Merrill
Jessica Smuin
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Nays

Adjourned at 9:00 pm