

RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 16, 2022

The regular meeting of the Richmond City Council was held at the Park Community Center located at 90 South 100 West, Richmond, Utah on Thursday, June 16, 2022. The meeting began at 6:30 P.M.; Mayor Paul Erickson was in the chair. The opening remarks were made by Mayor Erickson.

The following Council Members were in attendance: Tucker Thatcher, Lyle Bair, Kelly Crafts, Terrie Wierenga and Amber Ervin.

City Administrator Jeremy Kimpton, City Engineer Darek Kimball, Deputy City Treasurer HollyJo Karren, City Recorder Justin Lewis, and City Treasurer Christine Purser were also in attendance.

VISITORS: Cindy Allen, Kyle Atwood, Nadine Bair, Sherrie Davis, Katelyn Davis

APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 19, 2022

A motion to approve the May 19, 2022 city council meeting minutes was made by Lyle, seconded by Terrie and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE CONDITIONAL-USE PERMIT REQUEST BY XCIX DESIGN, LLC TO OPERATE AN ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES AND CNC MACHINE SHOP FOR A PROTOTYPING AND MANUFACTURING BUSINESS AT 253 SOUTH 200 WEST. PARCEL NUMBER 09-079-0005.

KYLE ATWOOD: I started this business in 2019. We have grown and need a new place to go. There are me and three other employees. The main part of the business is engineering which is done on computers. We mainly do medical device work. We now have a CNC machine for prototyping. I want to service my consulting customers. The CNC machine would not be running 24/7. It might run a couple of times per week.

AMBER: The planning commission did not have any concerns. They asked about the number of employees, business hours and noise. This is a good use of this space.

TERRIE: What materials do you store?

KYLE: Aluminum and polycarbonate plastic. Titanium is becoming more common. We just use standard materials.

MAYOR: Are they flammable?

KYLE: The powder from the materials is.

JEREMY: Fire Chief Jay Downs reviewed the proposal with Kyle and does not have any issues or concerns about this request.

KYLE: Right now, we are using aluminum only. We will take the necessary precautions if we add titanium. Many shops in the valley use these materials daily.

TERRIE: Does the waste material require special handling?

KYLE: We capture all of the chips and shavings and sell them for scrap. They are not disposed of locally. Where we are not full production it might take us over a year to fill a bin.

MAYOR: What are your hours? When would you run the machine?

KYLE: Regular business hours during the week. We would have very limited noise coming from the building.

MAYOR: You will not be running at night?

KYLE: No. We are not open at night or early morning. Just regular business hours Monday through Friday.

KELLY: Will you have customers coming to the business?

KYLE: On occasion. It is not my plan to have customers come onsite. Most of our customers are not local.

MAYOR: The property owner has met the fire flow requirements?

JEREMY: Yes.

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A motion to approve the conditional-use permit request for XCIX Design, LLC was made by Terrie, seconded by Amber and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT AND RECOGNITION OF ADVISORS SHERRIE DAVIS AND NADINE BAIR.

KATELYN DAVIS: Black & White Days went very well. We had to relearn how to do things where we had not done this for two years. It was hard work but it was fun. It was a good experience. What could we be better prepared for?

MAYOR: How did the texting go with people's orders?

KATELYN: It is a good idea. People enjoyed not having to wait. We can use it better next year. We need to do better training with more people. We need to get more kids involved in helping out with it.

MAYOR: Thanks for your willingness to try something new.

KATELYN: It was nice not having people wait around.

SHERRIE DAVIS: Some people were very generous with their tips. We had one person leave a hundred-dollar bill.

KATELYN: At our last meeting we talked about going to Lagoon as an activity. In the past we have gone during Frightmares. It is more expensive then. This year we are going to go in the summer instead. Monday, we did a tie dye t-shirt activity. We invited the Smithfield City Youth Council.

MAYOR: Did they come?

KATELYN: Some of them did. We wanted to get together to get to know some of them and establish a connection.

MAYOR: What can we help you with?

SHERRIE: We need an iPad next year for the texting option.

KATELYN: Some items did not sell well this year so we need to adjust what we purchase next year.

MAYOR: Participation was very high this year.

SHERRIE: We had a lot of help from the younger kids on Saturday. The seniors were out of town to things like the state track meet.

MAYOR: How many kids are coming back next year?

SHERRIE: We only had three seniors this year so many of them should be coming back.

MAYOR: What you did was well organized. The Stampede race was something new this year. I think there were more people at the parade than ever before. It was a very good event for the city.

SHERRIE: On Saturday, it would have been nice to have a scooter to go back and forth from the Hamburger Stand to the cooler in this building. We need to drive through the ball diamond area rather than use a vehicle and drive completely around the block.

JEREMY: Normally, we have something available so just let us know what you need.

AMBER: Sherrie and Nadine we want to express our appreciation for what you have done. I have participated in some of your activities and the energy is amazing. You are such a positive for the kids. It is nice they can be part of something locally.

Council Member Crafts presented Sherrie Davis and Nadine Bair with a small gift of appreciation from the mayor and city council.

MAYOR: How did the Lions Club say things went?

TERRIE: There were six to eight vendors who showed up on top of the thirty who signed up. It went well for the Lions Club. Some vendors were upset about having direct competition from other vendors.

AMBER: Some of the vendors I talked to said they had an amazing experience. They all have expenses and the revenue they will bring in is always an unknown for this type of event. They said they did very well.

MAYOR: I think it is time to revisit the movie in the park. It is not well attended any longer.

SHERRIE: So many kids have access to movies and stuff on their cell phones they have no interest in going to an older movie.

KELLY: I want to thank you for not only your hard work at the Hamburger Stand but everywhere. You were involved in many things.

SHERRIE: My husband enjoyed participating in the bike race and fun run.

MAYOR: We are meeting with representatives of Smithfield City next month to see about incorporating a bike race into their annual Health Days event.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON A SALES TAX REBATE AGREEMENT FOR LEE'S MARKETPLACE.

MAYOR: We have reviewed this agreement many times. Last month we talked about making sure the verbiage was clear this was for the grocery store only. The language has been amended. Legal counsel has reviewed the agreement.

AMBER: I have no issue with the agreement.

MAYOR: The law changes on July 1st and after that time this type of agreement would no longer be allowed.

A motion to adopt the sales tax rebate agreement between Richmond City and Lee's Marketplace was made by Amber, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING ORDINANCE 2022-08, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RICHMOND CITY MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 12-000 "LAND USE, DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT (LUDMO)", CHAPTER 12-700 "SIGNS", PARTS 12-703 "EXEMPTIONS FROM SIGN REGULATIONS", 12-702 "TYPES OF SIGNS" AND "SIGN REFERENCE CHART".

A motion to close the regular council meeting and open the public hearing was made by Terrie, seconded by Amber and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

The public hearing opened at 6:53 P.M.

JUSTIN: For some reason, this year there are election signs all throughout the city. Many more than I can remember in the past. Our current code is confusing about election signs. The proposed Ordinance is based off of state code. State code does not allow election signs on public property or within two hundred feet of a polling location. Election signs in the park strip are not allowed as this is public property. Right now, we reference state code when it comes to election signs and the code can be hard to find. This would make the code easy to find in our code. We would also list election signs in our sign reference chart if this Ordinance is adopted.

MAYOR: This is a great proposal. It is not exciting but it is impactful.

A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular city council meeting was made by Lyle, seconded by Kelly and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

The public hearing closed at 6:55 P.M.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON ORDINANCE 2022-08.

MAYOR: These are simple changes and in harmony with state code.

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A motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-08, an Ordinance amending the Richmond City Municipal Code, Title 12-000 "Land Use, Development and Management (LUDMO), Chapter 12-700 "Signs", Parts 12-703 Exemptions from Sign Regulations", 12-702 "Types of Signs" and "Sign Reference Chart" was made by Terrie, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

DISCUSSION ON 2022 PROPERTY TAX RATE.

MAYOR: I have asked Justin to present some information on our 2022 property tax rate.

JUSTIN: In 2020, the average property value increase was eight percent in the valley. In 2021, the average property value increase was eighteen percent. This year the average property value increase is thirty percent. In 2021, we received \$281,571 in property tax revenue. For 2018 through 2021 we kept the same property tax rate in place each year. If we don't hold the same rate this year, we will receive \$292,417. If we hold the same rate this year, we will receive \$359,796. By holding the rate this year, the average increase per household would be \$63.19 or an increase of 23.10%. I looked up the property valuations for myself, the mayor and all of the council members. The increases to those parcels would be 77%, 78%, 20%, 24%, 19%, 20% and 42%. After speaking with the mayor and each council member individually we decided this year it is not appropriate to hold the same property tax rate as previous years. The huge increase in property values is skewing the numbers over previous years. The intent is to evaluate the property tax rate next year after we see if values stabilize or not. This year there will not be a public hearing on the property tax rate in August because we are not holding the same rate in place as previous years.

MAYOR: The way the system works is if values go up then the rate goes down. The city collects the same amount plus new growth. I talked to Mayor Hall from Lewiston and this is the first time in many years they are not holding the same rate as well. This year we will receive an increase of about \$10,846 over last year. Nobody likes to pay property tax. It is hard to pay. When a person looks at how much they pay, very little of it comes to the city. This year it is not the right thing to do in regard to holding the same rate as previous years.

JUSTIN: We receive approximately eleven to twelve percent of the total amount someone pays. It varies a little bit from year to year.

TUCKER: We will review next year and adopt the appropriate rate at that time. I support holding off this year.

LYLE: I support holding off this year as well. We also have a lot of growth coming as well. I think it is good to not hold the same rate this year.

TERRIE: With the new growth, which is coming, I think it might be a few years before we need to hold the same rate again. Each new home adds a little bit more to what we receive. The reality is the property value numbers are very high.

MAYOR: A person I know paid about \$11,000 in property tax for his property in Park City in 2018. As proposed this year, if all of the rates are adopted as proposed, he will pay \$22,000. There is more value in the property but people are being priced out. We are transferring a good amount into our Capital Projects Fund this year. Kudos to everyone for saving. We receive about 1/6 of the sales tax collected locally. The tax on food is different. We pay gas tax and that comes back to the city in the form of Class "C Road funds. What happens with electric cars not paying the gas tax and still using the roads needs to be worked out. If you drive on a road you need to pay for that benefit.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET WHICH IS THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 AND ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET WHICH IS THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023.

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

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

The public hearing opened at 7:06 P.M.

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JUSTIN: I will review some of the larger proposed increases to the current budget. General Fund revenue will increase for Black & White Days activities and sponsorships. Sales tax, franchise tax and local road tax will all increase. A technology grant for the library will be added. The state auditor is focusing on planning fees this year. At the recommendation of our auditors, we are creating new line items in the budget for the planning department. These items will be very easy to identify and track. The state auditor is concerned cities are making a significant amount of money off of fees. We lose money from a planning perspective. When you figure Jeremy, HollyJo, Chris, myself, Darek and others are all involved in planning we spend a lot of money and don't collect much in this regard. This year with building permits and planning fees I would guess revenue will only be around \$30,000 and we spend significantly more than that. Administration has some line item decreases as they are moving into Planning. Increase to Buildings for utilities and maintenance and repair. Some decreases in Public Safety as items are moved to Planning. An increase to Streets for Local Road Tax. Increase to Parks for Black & White Days, baseball and moving some items to Planning. Library is being increased mainly for the technology grant. A very nice transfer to the Capital Projects Fund. We have been saving the last couple of years and this year for the new dump truck and other projects like the new pavilion at the park. Water revenue is increasing for dedication payments and impact fees. We have collected water dedication payments on a couple of subdivisions this month so it is a large increase of \$240,000 to that line item. Expense increases to sampling, benefits and other line items. Not a lot of large increases. Sewer revenue is increasing for impact fees and interest. Increase to expenses for IT equipment and support, insurance and some other line items.

MAYOR: Tell us what water dedication payments are used for.

JUSTIN: It is for the purchase of water rights and shares. These funds are set aside for this purpose. The intent is growth will pay for the cost to purchase shares and rights. Current residents will not pay for growth in this regard. The new budget has changed very little. We received our property tax revenue number in the amount of \$292,417. We added our RAPZ Tax allocation of \$57,068 for the new pavilion project. The UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) general plan grant has been included. The General Fund budget is proposed at just over two million dollars. The Water and Sewer funds always show a negative to start the year because we don't include impact fees or dedication payments because they are an unknown.

A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular council meeting was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

The public hearing closed at 7:12 P.M.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET.

MAYOR: In the new fiscal year we will receive the new snowplow truck. We are using ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds to pay for the new generators. A vendor backed out on the city office generator project. Jeremy found one and is ordering it from Wheeler. The downside is it will take over 40 weeks before we receive it. What about the generator for the water tank?

JEREMY: It is still in process.

MAYOR: Any idea when it will be delivery?

JEREMY: I am hopeful it is in August or September. We will hire an electrician to hook it up after it arrives.

A motion to adopt amendments to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget was made by Tucker, seconded by Lyle and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET.

MAYOR: We are including an across-the-board cost of living wage adjustment of approximately seven percent. I am happy we could do that.

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A motion to adopt the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget was made by Terrie, seconded by Tucker and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

JEREMY: The new snowplow truck is supposed to be built on January 30, 2023. It most likely won't arrive locally until the end of February. We will then get the bed and snowplow installed. We will have it for the 2023 winter but not this winter.

MAYOR: The parks in the city look stellar.

JEREMY: It is nice to have a couple of part-time workers. Bryan is in his element working in the parks. Him and Sam Sadler are doing well. We have gotten the parks sprayed and been working on them. We have spent a lot of hours on the sprinkler systems. We have not had the staff in the past to do this where we only had one part-time person. We will lose Sam to an LDS mission this fall. He has been a great worker for the city.

MAYOR: We are working on developing a fertilizer and weed control plan for the parks. It will cost some funds but we will stay within budget. Bryan will oversee this project.

JEREMY: We will observe Juneteenth. We talked about observing it or having a floating holiday. It is easier if we all observe it at the same time. Floating holidays are hard where our staff is small.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW WITH DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS AS NECESSARY.

JUSTIN: We had a very good sales tax month and collected \$55,497. We received our fifth out of six allocations in Class "C" Road funds in the amount of \$26,467. So far, this fiscal year we have collected \$126,050. Through the end of May we deposited \$20,957 in revenue from Black & White Days. Sponsorship amounts totaled \$14,950. The new sport utility vehicle we purchased shows up in "Streets – Major Equipment" in the amount of \$30,982. Through the end of May we had paid out \$28,333 in expenses for Black & White Days. There are still a lot of invoices coming in and will be paid this month. I should have the final numbers for the event next month. In May, we collected \$50,000 in Water Dedication payments. Through the end of May, we collected \$157,424 in Water Impact Fees and \$90,026 in Sewer Impact Fees.

MAYOR: Is the MBR Plant running around 40% of capacity?

JEREMY: Yes, it is close to that. Maybe even a little less.

MAYOR: Changes in the market will be interesting to watch with the rising interest rate. RVs are being lived in throughout the city. It is against the law and something we will have to deal with. Affordable housing will continue to be a problem everywhere. The infrastructure for the City Creek Subdivision is being installed. The Knolls Subdivision is getting ready to start. We receive revenue from new homes. We are not getting rich from them. We see small increases in utility revenue and property tax. We will see an increase when Lee's Marketplace comes online. We are giving up some sales tax for a period of years but will collect property tax. I think long term we will be happy with the agreement. We didn't do a lot of sidewalk work this fiscal year.

JEREMY: It has been hard to get concrete. We have a list of projects to complete. Some are homeowner requests and others are projects we need to do.

MAYOR: Obtaining concrete is the biggest issue. Maybe if building starts to slow, we will be able to get concrete for our projects.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

DAREK: We are still doing testing for lead and copper in the water. We need one year of data to take to the Division of Drinking Water for review. Things are looking positive in this regard. We met with the planning commission last week on the general plan update. There will be an open house on Tuesday, June 21st. Maps and other items will be on hand to be reviewed. We will need volunteers to help long term. Terrie will give an overview to start the open house. UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) will start a chip sealing project on the highway from Smithfield to the Idaho border next week. The project will take until sometime in August. Several local developments are being worked on. The Knolls Subdivision infrastructure is getting ready to start. The City Creek

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Subdivision infrastructure has already started. The Richmond Village project infrastructure will most likely start soon.

MAYOR: Jeremy has taken a lot of heat on getting some plats recorded the last few weeks. Legal counsel is the last step in the process. It can take them two to three weeks to review and write up their summary on a final plat.

DAREK: The same can be said for engineering. We process them in the order they are received. There is a lot involved and many projects going on. People are impatient and want to be moved up the list.

MAYOR: This is not our fault that it takes time on these projects.

JEREMY: One project was approved in October 2021. We received the final plat from the developer less than a month ago because he wants it recorded now. It takes time to review and get signatures.

MAYOR: If any of you have questions or want an update on a project let Jeremy know and he can provide.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

TERRIE: The steering committee is still working on the new Trails Master Plan. The comments and feedback from the open house have been gathered and compiled. The group has met since the open house and prioritized the trails based on the responses received. The next step will be to create a draft plan. After that, another open house will be held. We will publish on our website for review. We will get more feedback at that point. The intent is to adopt the plan this winter. The Bear River Health Department did intercept interviews the first week of June. One employee stopped and talked to people who were using the 300 East Trail. A trail tracker has been installed on 300 East to see how much the trail is used. It will even show us the times. The initial meeting on the general plan update was held last week with the planning commission and J-U-B Engineers. HollyJo is the main contact between the city and J-U-B Engineers. An open house will be held on Tuesday, June 21st from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M. on the general plan update. There will be many stations for people to review information. Some of the areas will be land-use, water conservation, transportation and moderate housing. We will be involving volunteers in the update. The planning commission will be heavily involved. We want to ask the residents to help with what happens in the city over the next ten years. The hope is to have the plan done within eight to twelve months.

MAYOR: It is a lot of work and we appreciate the time spent. Any news from the irrigation company?

TERRIE: A notice was sent recently about a reduction in turns which went into effect yesterday. The turns will be further reduced in July. In July, the turns will still be twice a week just for not as many hours. The new turns are 12 hours per day two days per week. In July, they will go to six hours per day two days per week. People need to let their lawn turn yellow. Grass will come back.

MAYOR: We have the same agreement in place with the irrigation company as we had last year.

TERRIE: We will continue to work with them as needed.

AMBER: Residents are asking me about water conservation. Will we send out anything in this regard? What do we want them to do?

TERRIE: Those with irrigation turns are allowed ten gallons per minute per share during their time. People should not overuse the amount of water they are allowed to use. The flow has not been measured in the past. People need to water early in the morning. It is better to not water during the night as it increases diseases and causes other issues. There is less evaporation at night but it is better on the plants and yard if not watered at night. People need to educate themselves. There are many water conservation websites. If a strip of grass is narrower than eight feet, they need to get rid of the grass and xeriscape it. That is the best advice I can give. I like green lawns but only about fifteen to twenty percent of a lawn is actually walked on and used. Get rid of excess grass.

MAYOR: Long term everyone will need to reduce the amount of grass they have.

TERRIE: The state now requires all residential irrigation connections to be metered no matter the size of the irrigation system. The cost to install the meter will be around \$2,000. This does not include the long-term costs as well. A meter will have to be replaced around every seven years. Representative Casey Snider and Cache Water District Manager Nathan Daus are advocating for changes. A more common-sense approach is needed. It is a great idea but not practical. It will make it so people use more culinary water than irrigation water because of the cost.

AMBER: The Black & White Days parade was large with over sixty entries. I sent out a survey. One concern was mentioned. At the corner of Main and State and 100 West Main the kids are so close to the road it is hard for trucks with trailers to turn.

MAYOR: This is a problem we will have yearly.

AMBER: Overall, people were happy with the parade. I thought things went well. My next project is to get the rooms in the north end of this building painted so we can start having a senior center. I am working with a good group of people. We will move forward on a small scale.

MAYOR: We have a modest budget this year but it is a place to start.

AMBER: Legal counsel reviewed the park strip ordinance. They are the ones who have to defend us if we get challenged on it. They had us move some of the verbiage around and create new sections. There were some clerical changes as well as some minor changes. It flows and we will legally have something to stand on. I don't like legal verbiage as it can be hard to understand. I had to reread it a few times. I would encourage everyone to read it thoroughly before next month's meeting.

MAYOR: We plan to hold the public hearing and vote of the council at the July council meeting.

KELLY: I am glad we timed the entrants in the Cow-A-Bunga race. They really liked that feature. I want to thank everyone for helping with Black & White Days. It is a lot of stress and headaches. Thanks to all of you. We live in a good community.

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE LAND PURCHASE AT APPROXIMATELY 700 EAST MAIN.

MAYOR: Do we have an update on the Sanders land purchase?

JEREMY: We are still waiting for Nick to return the sales agreement.

MAYOR: We need to talk about our Main Street water tank. We have a couple of buildings and our water tank on private property. I think the tank was built around twenty-five years ago. We met with Wendy Christensen and Bret Christensen. A survey has been completed. We are dealing with one landowner. Wendy is the landowner. We are working to get a purchase agreement put in place. I will be asking the council at a future date to consider purchasing the land our tank and building already sit on. We would offer them about what we offered the others we purchased land from. It is a problem having a city project on a private parcel. I am not sure how or why this was done. I think there was probably a handshake agreement and it never got completed. Bret claims the Christensen family was told they would get Cache County Parcel Number 09-045-0013 as well. Any information we obtain on either item will come to the council for review. Justin remind me the estimated cost of the purchase from Wendy.

JUSTIN: It would be about 1/3 of an acre for \$45,000.

MAYOR: This would correct an error from the past.

AMBER: What about right-of-way access?

MAYOR: We would include them in the deed. We will use a title company to draft the paperwork. It will be included in the warranty deed. People will still have permanent access. We will continue to allow access permanently just like now.

TERRIE: We need to solve this before there is a contract dispute.

MAYOR: We approached Wendy because we knew it was a problem.

JUSTIN: A purchase agreement will eventually come before the council to be voted on.

MAYOR: Bret's question is a different issue and will be dealt with separately.

DAREK: I think the tank was built around 1993.

MAYOR: We met with the county about the 500 North Road project. They are still committed to this project. It will need to be rebid. It will be at a much higher cost. There is an eight percent match the city has to pay. There was \$681,000 allocated by the COG (Council of Governments) for this project. I am sure the project has increased at least thirty to fifty percent since the original bid. We will submit a new application to the COG for the amount of the increase in the bid. The county said there are no right-of-way issues for this project inside the city limits. I have spoken with the Kevin Forsgren family about this project.

TUCKER: Are any changes needed to the project?

DAREK: We have always talked about running an irrigation waterline down to the cemetery and White Pine Park.

MAYOR: I was told by Kevin Forsgren there is an existing irrigation waterline in place.

DAREK: There is not a line down 500 North.

TERRIE: If there is a line it is a private line.

MAYOR: We are meeting with a landowner tomorrow about a possible right-of-way acquisition on 500 North. The local mayors met on Monday to discuss the garbage issue. The consortium is still working on creating an RFP (Request for Proposal). The discussion shifted from a private contractor doing the work to the cities and county doing the work. I am not sure what will happen. The Smithfield City mayor raised some questions. Mainly about representation on the board. Smithfield has about 14,000 residents. Mayor Monson said the current proposal does not work for them. The county has around 7,000 to 8,000 residents in the unincorporated areas. They need to provide service to those far-out areas. Not a lot of progress has been made in five months. Things are moving at a snail's pace. Representatives from Logan and the county met with Representative Casey Snider. They are looking at

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options for the new Logan City landfill in Clarkston. We will look at options long term of staying in this group. Combining with another city or going alone on our own. A time will come when cities have to say they are in or out of the consortium agreement.

TERRIE: We need to gather solid information rather than make assumptions.

TUCKER: We will watch the proposal from the consortium but we have a contingency plan.

MAYOR: Our next council meeting is on July 21st. Does that work for everyone?

The consensus of the council was to reschedule the Thursday, July 21st city council meeting to Tuesday, July 12th.

TERRIE: The open house on Tuesday, June 21st will be from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M. It is not a structured meeting. It is so people can come and go as they want.

MAYOR: We will be observing Juneteenth on Monday, June 20th. The city office will be closed.

KELLY: Lora said to make sure everyone is aware of the library renting the Logan aquatic center next Wednesday night.

A motion to adjourn was made by Terrie, seconded by Kelly, and the vote was unanimous.

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Bair, Crafts, Wierenga, Ervin

No Vote: None

Adjournment at 8:01 P.M.

RICHMOND CITY CORPORATION

Paul J. Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Justin B. Lewis, City Recorder