

Portage Town Council Meeting

Wednesday, Aug 14, 2024
Portage Town Hall
25880 N 9000 W Portage, Utah 84331

Town Minutes

Attendance: Mayor Max Huggins, Council Member Tyson Nelson, Councilmember Terra Bell, Councilmember Mariah Huggins, Councilmember Samantha Britt, Clerk Gina Marble, Treasurer Allison Huggins

Visitors: Martina John, Norma Lasa, Val Gibbs, Brynnadee Marble

Mayor Huggins called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Opening Ceremony

Pledge: Mayor Nelson

Prayer: Councilmember Britt.

Review and approve minutes of the July 10, 2024 Council meeting.

I'll make a motion to approve the minutes from July 10th, 2024 by Councilmember Nelson Seconded by Councilmember Britt. All aye. Motion approves.

2. Review and approval of July 10-Aug 14, 2024 Bills and Payroll.

I'll make a motion to approve Bills and Payroll for July 10-Aug 14, 2024 by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Bell. All aye. Motion approves.

3. Review financial reports, bank reconciliations, and Water adjustments or write-offs. The council reviewed the reports.

4. Information only-Mayors report on town issues- Mayor Huggins reported the well has been running so we could water the trees and to test. We had people take the water that's why we sent the message regarding using it. We have had a lot of vehicle traffic again on 25800 going fast, let's try and slow down. The rock at the bowery at the park is still coming off, I suggest look at it and maybe rock it again or take it out so it's not something to climb on. We got enough surveys for the Embridge Gas to move forward. Mayor Huggins reported that we did a raffle for the survey we are giving away a TV -Mayor Huggins asked Councilmember Nelson to draw one name for the TV, Richard Beck won.

5. Hansen Planning Group, Subdivision Process review and approval-Mayor Huggins reported that Hansen's has been working on the subdivision ordinance. The planning commission approved the one step, they thought that was the better option. Councilmember Huggins thinks the one step is the better option. The council agreed.

I'll make a motion to have Hansen continue with option one for the ordinance by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Nelson. All aye. Motion approves.

Water -Councilmember Nelson reported the well is running we had to do the 9 year test, everything was good.

Road Update-Councilmember Britt reported Mayor Huggins and I put up new road signs in town. We got a letter from the railroad, they wanted us to inspect the tracks in town, I don't see anything that needs fixed. Probably in 2 years we will have an audit it's a committee that sends out the letter not the railroad.

Planning Commission report-Councilmember Bell reported we had the discussion on the Subdivision ordinance. We are ready to have a public hearing on the general plan on October. The Norton property some gentlemen bought it, he done a lot line adjustment to have a big lot he is going to build a home.

Park Update-Councilmember Huggins reported we purchased new bases and pitchers mount for the baseball field, we also bought a new striper machine to help spry the lines for \$125.00. We have had some problems with some park reservations, people they are not following the rules. Moving forward if we have the same problem with the people maybe we shouldn't let them rent it again. The council agreed.

6. Purchase of wood chips -Councilmember Huggins reported she found a place in Logan called Playground Woodchips to get the chips from. We need 115 cubic feet it will cost \$6785.00 without delivery. I only budgeted for 15 cubic feet, we can get it all now and just amend the budget or we can get 1/2 of it now and 1/2 next year. Councilmember Nelson stated doing 1/2 this year sounds more appealing. Mayor Huggins suggested putting the woodchips at the swings and slide and maybe do 1/2 of the other to the spring toys. Councilmember Huggins stated that if we do 1/2 now it would be around \$3200.00 and it would be 60 to 65 cubic feet.

I'll make a motion to spend \$4000.00 for wood chips by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Britt. All aye. Motion approves.

7. Fall Festival- Councilmember Huggins reported that the fall festival will be on Oct 12 we are planning a chili cook-off, a trunk or treat maybe a bike parade. We will do prizes like last year and maybe add a neighbor of the year award. I would like to have \$1200.00 for the festival.

I'll make a motion approve \$1200.00 for the fall festival by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Britt. All aye. Motion approves.

Sheriff Department- Officer Johnson was not present.

Fire Department- nothing to report.

I'll make a motion to adjourn by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Nelson. All aye. Motion approves.

Meeting adjourns at 7:13pm

Gina Marble: Portage Clerk and Recorder

Max Huggins: Mayor