

Portage Town Council Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 11, 2023
Portage Town Hall
25880 N 9000 W Portage, Utah 84331

Town Minutes

Attendance: Mayor Max Huggins, Council Member Mariah Huggins, Council Member Tyson Nelson, Council Member Terra Bell, Council Member Sam Patterson, Clerk Gina Marble, Treasurer Debbie Lucas

Visitors: Martina John, Norma Lasa, Misty Beck, Mr. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Val Gibbs

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

Opening Ceremony

Pledge: Councilmember Nelson

Prayer: Councilmember Bell

Public Comments-Gina Marble thanked the EMT, first responders and fire department for the help at her house she stated we are very lucky to have a great team.

Norma Lase stated that the building moratorium expires on the 20 of January and for future planning we should change the setbacks on the arterial roads and collector roads on 8800 west and 25800 I suggested we change the setback from 30 feet to 50 feet back off the property.

Councilmember Patterson stated that fixing the 4way stop is going to require going into people's yards.

Val Gibbs thanked the city for maintaining the roads, Mayor Huggins thanked Val also for all the help he give the town.

Review and approve minutes of the Dec 14, 2022Council meeting.

I'll make a motion to approve the minutes from Dec 14th,2022 by Councilmember Nelson. Seconded by Councilmember Patterson. All aye. Motion approves.

1. Review and approval of Dec 14-Jan 11,2023 Bills and Payroll.

I'll make a motion to approve Bills and Payroll for Dec 14-Jan 11,2023 by Councilmember Nelson. Seconded by Councilmember Bell. All aye. Motion approves.

2. Review financial reports, bank reconciliations, and Water adjustments or write-offs. The council reviewed the reports. The Council agreed with the reports.

3.Meeting Schedule for the 2023 year-Mayor Huggins asked the council if they wanted to keep the same meeting schedule the council was in favor to keep the same schedule. The Town Council meeting will be held the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 at the town hall.

4. Gordon Knudsen building permit-Mayor Huggins reported that the moratorium is set to expire on the 20th of Jan and rather than have a special meeting and hold them up any longer, should we have the building permit be permitted on the 21st of Jan 2023. The council agreed to approve the building permit effective on Jan 21' 2023.

I'll make a motion effective on Jan 21,2023 Gordon Knudsen detached building permit is approved by Councilmember Huggins. Seconded by Councilmember Nelson. All aye. Motion approves.

5.Runyon water meter-Mayor Nelson stated the Runyon's applied for water meter should we approve it also effective Jan 21, 2023. The council agreed.

6.Planning Commission report-Mayor Huggins reported short term rentals was tabled, they discussed the setbacks for the main roads they was going to call the state and get more information. Commission member Bell and Commission member Simonson has stepped down and they was going to call Lisa Bingham to see if she wanted to step down.

7.Cemetery Road, Town Hall furnace and the town snow plow-Mayor Huggins reported that the cemetery board had their meeting Todd Gibbs is chair and asked if the town would go in on helping pave the cemetery road. The town furnace went out 2 weeks ago Brigham heating came out and fixed the cracked hose. The furnace is 20+ years old they suggested that we have it serviced every fall. The hydraulics went out on the snow plow we called the county who worked on it last, he will come look at it. Samuel fixed the plow, we may have to replace the blades and get new tires. Mayor Huggins thanked councilmember Patterson for plowing the roads.

8.Sheriff Department- Officer Johnson reported its nice and slow nothing really to report. Mayor Huggins thanked him for his service.

9. Water Update-Councilmember Nelson, Councilmember Nelson reported that the water meeting with Utah Division of Drinking Water went well. Governor Cox placed a moratorium on water wells, it applies for surface and underground water it's for large water users but there is some exception for house wells.

Councilmember Nelson reported on other town water rates, the average was 10,000 to 12,000 for \$30 to \$40 dollars a month. February we will present the water rates for the year.

10.General Park Update-Councilmember Huggins reported the BRAG has grants to help with repairs for the town hall and parks.

11.General Roads Update-Councilmember Patterson reported that we will be fixing the potholes in town.

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 6:46pm

Gina Marble: Portage Clerk and Recorder

Max Huggins: Mayor