

CLEARFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
6:00 P.M. WORK SESSION
May 19, 2020

City Building
55 South State Street
2nd Floor, Multi-purpose Room
Clearfield City, Utah

The meeting was held electronically via Zoom Meeting address:

Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81107791789>
Meeting ID: 811 0779 1789

PRESIDING VIA
ZOOM MEETING: Mark Shepherd Mayor

PRESENT VIA
ZOOM MEETING: Kent Bush Councilmember
 Nike Peterson Councilmember
 Vern Phipps Councilmember
 Tim Roper Councilmember
 Karece Thompson Councilmember

STAFF PRESENT
VIA ZOOM MEETING: JJ Allen City Manager
 Summer Palmer Assistant City Manager
 Stuart Williams City Attorney
 Kelly Bennett Police Chief
 Adam Favero Public Works Director
 Eric Howes Community Services Director
 Curtis Dickson Community Services Deputy Dir.
 Spencer Brimley Community Development Director
 Brad McIlrath Senior Planner
 Rich Knapp Finance Manager
 Trevor Cahoon Communications Coordinator
 Nancy Dean City Recorder

VISITORS: Jim Cordeiro, Kristi Bush, Thomas Mayer, Andrea Bush

Mayor Shepherd called the meeting to order at 9:01 p.m.

UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON THE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION FOR 2020

Curtis Dickson, Community Services Deputy Director, reviewed the County health requirements for gatherings under the current pandemic conditions. He went over staffing challenges and

resources. He reported there had been a suggestion of doing some sort of celebration late September/early October. He acknowledged if the City wanted to do that it would need to reserve about \$95,000 of the budgeted funds set aside for the Fourth of July for holding a one day event in conjunction with the firework display. There was a discussion about the uncertainty of planning for any large scale events at this time.

Mr. Dickson explained a survey had gone out to the community to generate ideas for things that could be done as part of the 2020 Fourth of July celebration. He noted the Fourth of July committee reviewed the suggestions and paired the thirty-four ideas to a list of eight that could realistically be done. He indicated with the limited time and other constraints it would be important to reduce the eight ideas to three or four. He reviewed the following list of ideas for the 2020 Fourth of July celebration:

- Drive-in movie
- Neighborhood parade (three options were discussed with the committee)
- Virtual band concert
- Firework scavenger hunt (National Treasure Hunt)
- 10:00 p.m. National Anthem/personal firework displays
- Decorating contest – paint/chalk the town (sidewalks, streets, driveways)
- Paint the walking paths at parks and use for personal 5K
- Local restaurant signature dish highlights during the week of the Fourth of July

Councilmember Peterson expressed she loved the idea of a neighborhood themed celebration and wondered if there could be some main hubs for having a drive-in movie and then at 10:00 p.m. personal fireworks could be displayed in neighborhoods. Mayor Shepherd mentioned many of the residents understood the circumstances limiting the 2020 celebration but many had expressed a desire to hold festivities of some kind. He suggested the neighborhood parade could provide that connection and should have a patriotic theme.

There was a discussion about how to make a neighborhood drive-by parade work. The following topics were highlighted during the discussion about having a neighborhood drive-by parade:

- Patriotic themed
- Organize a contest to determine neighborhood routes
- Incentivize neighborhood participation
- Provide supplies to assist neighborhoods with participation
- How to select the parade routes
- Include a vintage car parade
- Spread out around the City to reduce gathering sizes
- Forms of communication to announce parade route and timing
- Possibility of live-streaming the parade
- Creating a feeling of caring, unity, and hope
- Safety for pedestrians and participants
- Permitting process necessary if state roads were used
- Calculating speeds that would be appropriate for a neighborhood parade

Councilmember Thompson expressed his desire to lift spirits and provide hope to the community and not overburden staff with whatever activities were planned for the Fourth of July. Councilmember Roper commented the Youth Commission would like to have involvement in some way. He mentioned perhaps the Commission could assist with a virtual battle of the bands activity. Councilmember Peterson stated she was not in favor of doing a Fourth of July part two event in the fall. Mayor Shepherd indicated the idea for local restaurant highlighting could be incorporated into the Mayor's live streamed weekly reports over the next several weeks rather than during the week of the Fourth of July.

JJ Allen, City Manager, suggested if a parade was held it would be important to map it out so staff understood what was expected and the logistics could be organized. There was a discussion about parade safety, routes, and keeping it fun to provide something for residents that would lift spirits during a time of difficulty. The consensus of the Council was to have a neighborhood parade as one of the activities for the Fourth of July.

Mr. Dickson asked which of the eight highlighted items the Council would most desire to include with the events. He pointed out that the City had contracted to hold its movie on the third of July; however, additional checking could be done to see how the drive-in option might work. There was a discussion about which activities that had been discussed would be best to hold and whether or not there was a way to include the community choir or band. Mr. Dickson indicated he would reach out to the Youth Commission to see if it would be interested in organizing a virtual battle of the bands activity.

The consensus of the Council was to have the City organize the following activities as part of its Fourth of July celebration:

- Drive-in movie on July 3rd
- Neighborhood parade on July 4th
- National Anthem at 10:00 p.m. broadcast on July 4th prior to personal firework displays in the neighborhoods
- Potential for a virtual band concert

Councilmember Peterson moved to adjourn at 9:35 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Roper. The motion carried upon the following vote: Voting AYE – Councilmember Bush, Peterson, Phipps, Roper, and Thompson. Voting NO – None.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED
This 9th day of June, 2020**

/s/Mark R. Shepherd, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Nancy R. Dean, City Recorder

I hereby certify that the foregoing represents a true, accurate, and complete record of the Clearfield City Council meeting held Tuesday, May 19, 2020.

/s/Nancy R. Dean, City Recorder