MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CAREY CITY COUNCIL

March 18, 2024

**COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE:** Sara Mecham, Logan Davis, Clayton Mecham, Cody Baird and Alyssa Cenarrusa

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Kurt Eldredge, Brandi Hennefer and Tess Cenarrusa.

**1. CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mecham.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Councilman Davis.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT** When are minutes released to public? Not until city council

Approves them and then they are put on the website. Public comment is only taken on

Items that are not on the agenda or at a scheduled public hearing. City council can open

For public comment.

**4. REPORTS**

a. Question on staff report. Kurt gave a report on having to do lead and copper testing

this year. What is level 2 eauth on city clerk report? It is for funding through USDA.

b. City Council report. Planning for safe routes-egress out of school for emergencies.

Work with the school on a plan. Get areas for parent pickup. Get a united policy for

For all to follow. Logan will be the representative for the city. Pioneer Days will be

Held on July 12th & 13th. July 12th will be the community picnic, rodeo and movie

In the park. July 13th will be the parade. ARPA funds opened up and applications

Projects under $50,000.00 from Blaine County.

c. Mayor’s report. Meetings with private landowners and staff for land application for

the sewer. It is better to lease or purchase ground. It would essentially allow us to

do year-round discharging. Working on policies for internal record keeping, software

to track applications and grants. Would like council to attend the AIC Spring meeting

if possible. It will be covering planning.

**5. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**- (Action item on all of the listed consent agenda

Items

Clayton Mecham made a motion to amend the agenda and add the task order for

Sunrise Engineering, Alyssa Cenarrusa 2nd. Passed. This came in after the agenda

Was posted and is needed to be able to proceed with the surveying of the airport

Hangar lots.

1. Minutes pending approval February 19, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting-

Section 8 b-should read not a taxing district. Tess will make the correction.

b. Finance Report

i. February 2024 Finance Report.

ii. Pay the March 2024 bills-What is the Civic Plus bill for? Tess reported that

was for codification of the city ordinances.

Logan Davis made a motion to approve the consent agenda items,

Cody Baird 2nd. Passed.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING:**

a. Blaine Tingey-Short Plat. Consideration of a 3-lot short plat on 69.13-acre parcel

in the R/AL zone. The applicant and owner is Blaine Tingey. \*Action item

This short plat is out of the water and sewer service area. He will hook up to the

Existing water line on Little Wood Reservoir Road. Sewer service will be served

By a septic tank. The road’s name will be; Tingey Lane and will be a private road.

It will be a 60’ access for future development. The canal easement will be noted on

The plat. Mayor Mecham opened up the public comment. Blaine and Cindy Tingey

Are in favor. No more public comments. Mayor Mecham closed public comment.

No council discussion.

Alyssa Cenarrusa made a motion to approve the Blaine Tingey Short Plat

With the addition on the plat of the canal easement, Clayton Mecham 2nd. Passed.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Reduction or waiver of fee for conditional use permit-Feathers and Friends

Childcare. \*Action item Mayor Mecham reported that legal counsel provided

The city council a letter and council is bound by what legal counsel advised. The

Permit process need to stay the same and consistent. There is nothing in the

Ordinance about waiving fees. An application needs to be in place before asking

For a waiver or reduction of fees. Fees need to be paid by the applicant and not the

Tax payers in the city.

1. Safebuilt contract. \*Action item Mayor Mecham reported that herself and staff

Had a meeting with safebuilt. The Mayor is trying to find an inspector that we

Can contract with. The building inspector gone for the winter is not working. We

Could split with other local districts. The inspector would be coming out of Ketchum

And there could be some virtual inspections. The scope of work would work like the

Contract planners. Council asked how would the financial aspect work? Would it be

Like the current fees are? Council would like it to be fair and reasonable, but still

Cover the costs. We would need to change the fee schedule. We need to work on

The fees. The council would like to keep this on the agenda for the April meeting.

1. Authority for Mayor to sign engagement letter for bond counsel. \*Action item

This engagement letter is for the bond counsel for the hangar lease and purchase

with MSBT Law.

Clayton Mecham made a motion to have the Mayor sign the engagement

letter for bond counsel with MSBT Law, Logan Davis 2nd. Passed.

1. Task Order Agreement for Sunrise Engineering-Survey of hangar lots. \*Action item

The hangar lots were previously surveyed, but the plat didn’t have the engineer

Stamp on it. The lots need to be recorded. To get the lots recorded it has to be

Resurveyed. The original surveyor no longer works at Civil Science. The pins are

Already on the lots. It should be very easy to get it resurveyed and recorded.

Alyssa Cenarrusa made a motion to approve the task order with Sunrise

Engineering to survey the hangar lots at the airport, Logan Davis 2nd. Passed.

**8. DISCUSSIONS**

a. Update on City Council Retreat. The council worked well together coming up with the

draft vision and mission statement. They also came up with 5 strategic priorities. We

will present this to the community and hope the community agrees with what council

came up with. It will probably take 4 or 5 months of community outreach and

engagement.

b. Ordinance for code enforcement violations and penalties This would allow us to

enforce our own codes in-house. It would give us a more reasonable option to enforce

codes. Need to educate the public and decide when to put on the agenda for public

hearing and passage.

**9. CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-**Continuation of townhouse

ordinance, future cemetery space, code enforcement.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT.** Listening to what is going on I am sick to my stomach. Have lived

Here for 3 years and is concerned about the changes being made. There have been huge

Changes and things are going south. Upset that Nicki was not given a chance to speak.

Worked all weekend on what she wanted to say. The Mayor said again, no application to

Hear. Have to meet current code, it is not personal.

**11. ADJOURNMENT.**

Clayton Mecham made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Logan Davis 2nd. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.