

MOAB CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
June 27, 2023

Moab City Council held its Regular Meeting on the above date in Council Chambers. Archived audio is at www.utah.gov/pmn and video is at www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPBoz2TrN8o.

Regular Meeting Attendance and Call to Order:

Mayor Joette Langianese called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and Obe Tejada led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers Rani Derasary, Tawny Knuteson-Boyd, Jason Taylor, Luke Wojciechowski and Kalen Jones attended. Also in attendance were Planning Director Cory Shurtleff, City Manager Carly Castle, Recorder Sommar Johnson, Victim Assistance Unit Manager Nathaniel Clark, Victim Advocate Emily Weiser, Assistant Police Chief Lex Bell, Utility Services Director Obe Tejada, Public Works Director Levi Jones, Attorney Lisa Watts Baskin and six members of the public.

Citizens To Be Heard: None.

Department Head Update:

Victims of Crime Advocate Update: Clark and Weiser updated Council on the expanded services of the Victim Advocate detail since staff was added. Councilmember Wojciechowski asked about state funding to make up for lost federal funds. Councilmember Derasary asked about staff workload. Councilmember Knuteson-Boyd thanked staff for their work. Assistant Police Chief Bell provided an update on grant-funded programming.

Utility Department Update: Utility Services Director Tejada provided the annual water quality report and answered questions from Council.

Consent Agenda—Approved

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Jones moved to approve the consent agenda as follows: approval of minutes for the June 13, 2023, Regular Meeting and approval of bills against the City of Moab in the amount of \$1,267,622.24. Councilmember Derasary seconded the motion and stated she sent corrections to the Recorder. The motion passed 5-0 aye with Councilmembers Jones, Derasary, Taylor, Knuteson-Boyd and Wojciechowski voting aye.

General Business:

Ute Circle Lot Line Adjustment—Approved

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Jones moved to approve **Resolution 22-2023**, a resolution approving the lot line adjustment of property located at 430 & 436 Ute Circle, Moab, UT 84532. Councilmember Knuteson-Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 aye with Councilmembers Jones, Derasary, Taylor, Knuteson-Boyd and Wojciechowski voting aye.

Community Vision for UMTRA Site—Approved

Presentation and Discussion: Moab Tailings Pile Steering Committee Chair Russ von Koch and Grand County Planning and Zoning Intern Noelle Gignoux presented the five-year update for the tailings pile future site design and implementation for the Council's endorsement. Von Koch highlighted the timeline and noted there were at least five years remaining in the site's tailings mitigation and decommissioning process. He explained the community process that resulted in a recommendation for an events center, trails, boat ramp, transportation hub, and potential pickleball courts, splash pad and ice rink. Councilmember Taylor asked if the future site would be co-managed by cooperating agencies. Mayor Langianese explained the effort to bypass the process whereby other federal agencies and the State of Utah have priority over local jurisdictions regarding the site. She said the National Park Service and the Bureau of Land

Management were not interested in the property.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Derasary moved to approve **Resolution 19-2023** supporting the 2023 update to the community vision for future uses of the Moab UMTRA project site with accompanying documentation. Councilmember Knuteson-Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 aye with Councilmembers Jones, Derasary, Taylor, Knuteson-Boyd and Wojciechowski voting aye.

City Manager Updates:

City Manager Castle updated Council on temporary staff reassignments to cover the Finance Director's role. Councilmember Wojciechowski requested an update on the status of the Walnut Lane project regarding negotiation of the pre-development and development agreements. Councilmember Jones commented on wording regarding the developer's participation. Castle mentioned business licenses are to be renewed before July 1. She mentioned fireworks rules within City limits and noted the burn ban. She announced the kickoff of the free concert series, noted the recreation and aquatic center received a gold rating from the insurer, and said Parks, Recreation and Trails Director Annie McVay had tendered her resignation.

Mayor and Council Reports:

Councilmember Jones reported on a meeting of the Grand County Commission regarding the economic development plan, including sustainable tourism.

Councilmember Wojciechowski reported on meetings of the Homeless Council and the Planning Commission. He said he participated in a tour of the new Emergency Room at the hospital.

Councilmember Derasary reported on meetings of the Grand Water and Sewer Services Agency and the Moab Irrigation Company. She said she met with candidates for City Council to answer questions.

Councilmember Taylor reported he attended a Chamber of Commerce luncheon regarding data security. He mentioned a Utah Outdoor Recreation Commission strategy planning session.

Mayor Langianese brought up a proposed foster grandparent program. She reported she attended a long-range transportation plan meeting with the Utah Department of Transportation. She also noted a report from the Southeast Utah Health Department was available. She mentioned an upcoming City-County collaboration meeting regarding the Water Utility Resource Management Plan, the land use plan and a proposed transportation tax. She mentioned the upcoming Fourth of July parade and progress on the Council policies and procedures manual.

Adjournment: Mayor Langianese adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Joette Langianese, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Sommar Johnson, City Recorder