# EUREKA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2018 7:00 P.M.

## **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Nick Castleton led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public in Attendance:**

Brigitte Kirgan Andrew Froula Jesica Severa Christopher Severa Laura Kirgan Lynn Elliott

## **Roll Call:**

Brian Underwood, Brandy Kirgan, Nick Castleton, Kimberlee Clem, Hortt Carter

#### **Discussion Items:**

Discussion on the possibility of the City taking over the Emergency Medical Services. Laura Kirgan was going to be late and asked if the Council could wait to discuss this issue until she got there. The Council agreed and moved on to the next discussion item. Nick said that all the EMT's received letters from the County that basically said shut up or get out. Nick attended the County Commission meeting in January to give them his feelings on things. The Commissioners didn't budge on reinstating the 2 EMT's they let go. This only leaves Patricia Bigler as the only advanced on call. Nick asked what do you ladies and gentlemen feel? Brigitte stated she is not willing to work for Juab County. She would like to see if we could go to Eureka City Ambulance. The City would need to purchase 2 ambulances. The City was offered a loan for \$100,000 from Newman Construction to help get us up and running. They would be willing to give us 2 years before we would need to make any payments other than at one year we would need to make an interest payment. Brian said the State said there is no guarantee we would get the Sand dune area. Chris said before the meeting, tonight he went through his jump kit and if something doesn't happen soon that is what he is going to be running on. He says his main concern is coverage for this town. As EMT's we have agreed to go without pay. Brian is concerned with how Eureka City financially can take over the ambulance. Hortt said as a Council they need to see the numbers and how we are going to fund it. Laura is very concerned about the citizens of Eureka and would like to have the City take the ambulance over. Brian and Hortt want to see hard numbers from Levan to see how they are doing. Hortt had some questions about the cost of ambulances, supplies, and what type of insurance coverage is needed. Patricia had researched the cost of ambulances and supplies and spoken to the insurance company. Patricia showed the Council what she had found out. Hortt asked why the City gave the ambulance to Juab County. The Juab County Sheriff was over EMS and our ambulance ran under that. The County Commissioners decided to form an EMS department and that is when the ambulance was taken over by the County. Kim asked if they know the price of an average run. The State has a set price and then mileage is added. Nick set that him and Patricia figured a minimum run in Eureka would be about \$1,800 and the sand dunes would be over \$2,000. Hortt wants an actual amount for a run and wants a budget for a year showing income and expenditures. Brigitte stated

she understands that the Council needs numbers, but the EMT's need a commitment out of the Council too. She asked is there any way we can move ahead with getting a license and a Eureka City ambulance. Nick asked if he had support of the Council to move forward in getting a license. The Council gave Nick the approval to move forward in getting the license. Nick will have more information available at the Council Work meeting. Nick wanted everyone to know that CDBG grants, and with our LMI, they have been buying ambulances out right for small rural communities. There is some emergency funding we may be able to get.

Brian wants to have job descriptions duties put on the agenda for the work meeting.

Supplement Water Lease Agreement with Mammoth Water Users.

Brian asked if this subject needed a public hearing. All that was required was a public meeting. Nick read the email he had received from Tim Merrill, City Attorney, concerning the issue with Mammoth Water Users. The concerns that Tim had were:

Will the City benefit from the 1,600-acre feet of water as stated in the contract? Nick was not sure how this would benefit the City we have plenty of water.

Is the City willing to pay an annual filling fee for the change application that is filled with the State? We have in the past not sure if we still feel that way.

What is meant by Eureka is solely responsible for insuring the use of the water will not interfere with other water rights? Not sure this is a problem since the City owns most of the water rights. Is the City ok paying Mammoth \$800 a year to lease 1,600-acre feet of water?

Is the City willing to provide a monthly report to Mammoth regarding our usage? The City is pumping both well at the same site. This will need to be worked out.

The agreement does not contain a term?

How long is the lease for?

It does not state how the City can terminate the lease?

These are some of the questions that the lawyer had about the lease.

Brian said that this is an annual lease. Brian's recommendation was to go ahead and lease the water this year and then decide as a Council what needs to be done. Brian made a motion to agree to the terms of the Agreement with Mammoth Water Users. Hortt seconded. All in favor motion carried.

Hortt mentioned that he had talked to Travis Kiel about getting a CDBG grant for the Memorial Building. Travis let him know it was too late to put in for the grant. The Council needed to adopt 2 Resolutions in January. The preliminary application should have been finished and sent back to them two weeks ago.

# Adjournment:

Brian made a motion to adjourn. Brandy seconded. All in favor motion carried.