

Elwood Town Council Meeting March 16, 2021

The Elwood Town Council met at the Elwood Town Hall, 5235 West 8800 North, Elwood, Utah, at 7:00, March 16, 2021. The following members were present consisting of a quorum.

Keenan Nelson	Mayor	Mike Pace	Councilmember
Jon Howard	Councilmember	Mark Lay	Councilmember

Staff present at this meeting

Gina Marble	Town Clerk
Steve Woerner	Public Works

Others present at this meeting

Steve Anderson	Lacy Richards	Lori Woerner	William Call
Karolina Munns	Quinn Hamson	Jeff Spence	Amy Hugie

WELCOME

ADMINISTRATION

Councilmember Goodliffe was not present

Mayor Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Item#1 Moratorium on building based on the sewer capacity-Steve Woerner stated when I wrote the paper it was based on capacity for the waste water treatment plant. We have no issues with development. Amy Hugie stated with future development we would be at capacity, it's getting close we are ½ way there. Councilmember Howard stated that we have 130 connections left. Amy stated it's not connections its erc's. Mayor Nelson asked Steve Woerner is he think we need to have a moratorium and Steve stated no he don't see a reason for it. Steve Woerner asked why do you want a city wide moratorium the sewer is not city wide. Lacy Stated she met with Wasatch civil and she stated that if we put on a moratorium on we will have to work toward the solution. Lacy also stated another concern came up are we going to put a sewer city wide. If we are going to keep the sewer ½ through town that's still a lot of septic systems in your town. We need to figure it out and see if we are going to put a system in all the way through town. Amy Hugie stated we could look into a utility RDA. Steve Anderson stated he met with a developer on the cemetery road regarding a subdivision and they would be affected by this moratorium. I agree with both Steve Woerner and Amy. Steve Anderson stated talking to developers we all hate moratoriums but one developer said it might be a good thing because then Elwood would have to resolve the problem and the moratorium could only last 6 months. Councilmember Howard stated we could expand the sewer, Steve Woerner said no it's not that easy. Steve Anderson stated that you could expand the sewer but it's just not a simple thing to do.

Steve Anderson reported that if you do put a moratorium in place you only have 6 months to fix the problem or have some answers. There is going to come a time when you will have to expand the sewer I think there is funding available to and we should look into that. Amy Hugie stated that you can't adopt the ordinance tonight because you all don't agree so what we can do is look for options to fix the problems. Councilmember Pace stated that we look for a way to fix it or they will take the building somewhere else. Councilmember Lay stated we have to accept all applications under the current fee structure. Mayor Nelson asked Steve Anderson when our impact fee study would be done and Steve stated it will take some time there is a lot that goes into a fee study. Mayor Nelson asked who is in favor of the moratorium. Councilmember Lay stated he was for it due to the impact fee issue. Councilmember Pace stated he is against it. Councilmember Howard stated he is against it, I see the problem but I want to get a committee together and work on it. Mayor Nelson stated he was for it. Mayor Nelson stated that the moratorium does not pass but we will work on it. Amy Hugie stated that you should plan for the April meeting about putting a committee together.

OTHER

Councilmember Lay made a motion to adjourn, Councilmember Pace seconded the motion and the remaining council agreed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The undersigned duly acting and appointed clerk for Elwood Town Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 16th day of March 2021. Dated this the 13th day of April 2021.

Gina R Marble, Elwood Town Clerk