

Elwood Town Council Meeting Nov 12, 2024

The Elwood Town Council met at the Elwood Town Hall, 5235 West 8800 North, Elwood, Utah, at 7:00, Nov 12, 2024. The following members were present consisting of a quorum.

Keenan Nelson	Mayor	Mark Lay	Councilmember
Mike Pace	Councilmember	Lynn Hardy	Councilmember
Scott Goodliffe	Councilmember		

Staff present at this meeting

Gina Marble	Recorder/Clerk
Steve Woerner	Public Works

Others present at this meeting

Devere Hansen	Brandon Green	Zack Pali	Zach Higley	Susie Davis
Brian Davis	Rue Rasmussen	Quinn Hamson	Roger Munns	
Braden Mcmurdie	Genneva Blanchard			

WELCOME

ADMINISTRATION

Pledge of allegiance.
Councilmember Lay- Prayer

Mayor Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes for the Oct 8, 2024 town council meetings were presented for approval.

Councilmember Pace made a motion to approve the minutes for Oct 8, 2024. Councilmember Lay seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Item#1 Preliminary Approval Cedar Ridge Subdivision 10200 n. 5200 w.-Mayor Nelson stated that the preliminary plat for the subdivision has been to the planning commission, they approved it and recommended it to town council. Brandon Green reported we have been working with the developer of the Cedar Ridge Subdivision the subdivision is a smaller one. We recommended to approve the preliminary and final for the subdivision, after that there was some concern about the ditch. Our recommendation is to put a fence on that side of the development.

Councilmember Lay asked if the ditch is on the property. Brandon said no it's not on the developer's property but it's on the right-away just going off the survey. Roger Munns disagrees with that it's on their property. Councilmember Hardy stated that the ditch company needs to get laws in place for the ditch, as of right not you have

no laws for the ditch. Rogers stated the ditch company doesn't own the property it's the Bronson ditch and it's on the Bronson property.

Geneva stated when Zach purchased the property we had a survey done. It goes through the property and reports if there were any conflicts on it, there is none on this property. She explained the ditch does not touch this property and we own the 5 feet of easement. I work with ditch and water companies and I really appreciate the ditch company. The ditch is not on our property.

Nathan Iverson-stated yes I would like the ditch piped but it don't have to be. Just give me some room to get a cement truck in there to clean it, a fence don't help.

Braden asked what sizes of pipe are you putting on the property, who is paying to have a study to see what will work. It's a 5 sec feet 24 inch pipe would run it fine.

Mayor Nelson appreciates everyone comments, Zach how much is the engineering going to cost. If you pipe it, it could be cheaper than putting in a fence. Geneva stated but the ditch easement is still there and legally I can't pipe the ditch it's not on our property. If we owned it I would pipe it tomorrow but I can't.

Quinn stated yes you can pipe the ditch with a contractor. Braden stated the ditch company owns the easement we have full access they only need permission to pipe the ditch, we don't want a fence.

Mayor Nelson stated if you don't pipe the ditch you will have to put in a fence. Geneva stated they will put in any fence the town wants. Brandon Green stated the town doesn't own the ditch, it's the ditch company.

Councilmember Goodliffe stated looking at the numbers 242 feet of ditch at 60 dollars a foot that's just under \$14,000 dollars. Would it be worth it to put that in and not a fence. Councilmember Pace stated that if the ditch is piped they wouldn't have to put a fence in. Braden stated not putting in a fence doesn't solve anything.

Councilmember Pace made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Cedar Ridge Subdivision. Councilmember Goodliffe seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Item#2 Final Approval Cedar Ridge Subdivision 10200 n. 5200 w.-

Councilmember Lay made a motion to table the final plat for the Cedar Ridge Subdivision. Councilmember Hardy seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Item#3 Code enforcer-Mayor Nelson asked the council if we could put this out for hire. Councilmember Pace stated it would be a part time job. Brandon Green stated the person doesn't have to be licensed for the position. Mayor Nelson and Brandon will work on it together.

Item#4 New mower for the park and cemetery-Steve stated we have had a lot of issues with our mower it's just getting old. A new commercial mower is around \$8400.00 that is with the state contract.

Councilmember Hardy made a motion to purchase a new mower for \$8400.00. Councilmember Pace seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Item#4 Planning Commission-Councilmember Goodliffe stated I sent the notes in an email.

Item#5 Sheriff's Department Report- Officer Kennedy was not present.

WATER

Steve had nothing to report

SEWER

Steve had nothing to report.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Steve had nothing to report.

ROADS

Councilmember Goodliffe reported he received an email today it had 3 or 4 different models in the design process on hwy 13 off ramps. What UDOT is proposing is what they have in Layton, it's called a bulb. What it does it forces all the traffic to turn right you will no longer be able to turn left. They will have to go down and u turn through the intersection. I'm not a fan I think we could do better but it gets us a signal light. Councilmember Lay stated when trucks turn like that the asphalt gets destroyed they need to take that into consideration.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Councilmember Hardy nothing to report.

OTHER

Mayor Nelson reminded the council the Christmas dinner is Dec 19 @ 6:00pm

Councilmember Lay made a motion to adjourn, Councilmember Hardy seconded the motion, and the remaining council agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26p.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 Town Council meeting minutes held on the 12th day of Nov 2024. Dated this the 14th day of Jan 2025.

Gina R Marble, Elwood Town Clerk