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THE COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON FEBRUARY 15, 2023, AT THE HOUR OF 6:30 P.M. AT THE BINGHAM CANYON LIONS CLUB, 8725 W HILLCREST ST., COPPERTON, UTAH.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESENT: KATHLEEN BAILEY
SEAN CLAYTON, Chair
KEVIN SEVERSON
DAVE OLSEN

EXCUSED: TESSA STITZER

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: NATHAN BRACKEN, LEGAL COUNSEL
KAYLA MAULDIN, MUNICIPAL SERVICES DISTRICT
STEVEN KUHLMEIER, ENGINEERING AND FLOOD CONTROL
NICHOLE WATT, DEPUTY CLERK



Mayor Clayton, Chair, presided.



Regular Council Meeting

Community Input

Recognize Visiting Officials

Representative Anthony Loubet reported on the end of the legislative session. The most significant legislation was HB 374, which requires the dissolution of the Unified Police Department (UPD) over the next two years. Other metro townships besides Copperton have expressed concern about their lack of taxing authority. Magna Metro Township has also expressed concern about ensuring police officers will keep their current positions and pay grades. Complying with HB 374 will require multiple conversations, and the bill is far from ideal. Representative Loubet has submitted an interim bill to establish taxing authority of the metro townships. Bill files can be opened as early as May, and Representative Jordan Teuscher has given his support. UPD will officially expire June 30, 2025, and the County will play a more active role than it has in the past.

Mayor Clayton requested that Representative Loubet give a quick summary of HB 374 for the benefit of a youth group that was in attendance.

Representative Loubet summarized the bill.

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Citizen Comments

Ben Scholle stated he was appearing on behalf of the Bingham Lion's Club. The club had collected enough recyclable plastic over the past year to make several benches and wanted to gift a bench to the Copperton Metro Township to be placed at the bus stop on the north side of the park.

Mayor Clayton thanked Mr. Scholle and stated he could work with Council Member Bailey to ensure proper installation of the bench.

Unified Fire Authority (UFA)

Ed Walden, UFA, reported on legislation related to retirement for UFA employees that was introduced during the recent legislative session but did not pass. He distributed a handout updating the status of the construction of the Magna station. He reported that recruit camp is down to 31 candidates and that Fire School 101 is coming up. He invited any Council Members who would like to attend.

Unified Police Department (UPD)

Detective Harry Holt, UPD stated there were 24 calls for service resulting in six cases. He did not have anything significant to report for the month of February but noted that on Bacchus Highway at about 12000 South, there were the beginnings of a homeless camp with a few trailers parked off the side of the road. He spoke with the residents and sent them on their way. He advised the Council members to let UPD know if they see anything similar.



Council Business

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Bailey, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to approve the minutes of the Copperton Metro Township Council meetings, held January 18, 2023, and February 15, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

Fiscal Items

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Mayor Clayton reviewed the attorney bill for \$6,600.50 for legal services for the month of February. He noted the bill was higher than usual because of all the meetings Nathan Bracken attended at the Legislative Session.

Council Member Bailey, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to approve the bill. The motion passed unanimously.

Kennecott Conveyor Belt

Mayor Clayton stated Laura Ingersoll and Brendan Murphy were in attendance to discuss a problem with the conveyor belts at Rio Tinto.

Laura Ingersoll, Senior Advisor- Community and Social Performance, Rio Tinto, stated Rio Tinto experienced a failure the previous week with one of the conveyor belts that transports ore from the mine to the concentrator. Rio Tinto was still investigating what happened. In the interim, starting Friday, it would be transporting ore using mine trucks that would travel by mining roads. There would be approximately five haul trucks per hour, 24 hours a day. This could result in some noise and dust issues for Copperton residents. Rio Tinto would be doing some spot noise monitoring and will continue with usual dust suppression methods. Rio Tinto would be providing updates on its Facebook page but did not have a specific time frame.

Brendan Murphy, General Manager – Minerals, Rio Tinto, stated Rio Tinto may not be able to run its conveyor at full speed for a while. This was done previously in 2013 with a fleet of 40-ton trucks. The plan, currently, is for the truck use to be supplemental.

Mayor Clayton asked Council Member Bailey to make sure this information was posted to the Copperton Facebook page.

Copperton Capital Projects Presentation

Kayla Mauldin, Long-Range Planner, Municipal Services District, delivered a PowerPoint Presentation entitled Copperton Capital Improvements Planning. She reviewed: what capital improvement projects are; how projects get funded; Smartsheet form; process and timeline (2023); what criteria are used to evaluate projects; where proposed projects come from; and took questions.

Mayor Clayton stated Copperton’s only current project is the storm drain project.

Council Member Bailey agreed to be the person to fill out the Smartsheet Form for the storm drain project.

Mayor Clayton explained to the members of the public in attendance that Copperton receives money primarily from sales tax and described how the project will be funded.

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He explained that Copperton's stormwater system is old and unique and reviewed the phases of the project.

Steven Kuhlmeier, Public Works Project Manager, Engineering and Flood Control Division, stated the storm drain project is moving ahead with the first phase and the utility investigations survey should take place in the coming months. It should be complete by next year. The sidewalk project should be built this summer.

Street Sign Update

Council Member Olsen stated he had nothing to report.

Mayor Clayton explained to the public in attendance that Copperton is trying to obtain a street sign for the park and another near the town entrance.

Copperton Ordinance Updates

Nothing to report.

Committee/Board Updates

- Legislative Research Committee

Nathan Bracken noted there were some changes to public noticing requirements during the legislative session. These changes were generally positive and would allow officials to choose whichever noticing options work best for their particular entity.

- Bingham Cemetery Board

Nothing to report.

- Copperton Community Council

Nothing to report.

- Planning Commission

Council Member Severson stated the meeting was cancelled but the Planning Commission will meet April 11th, 2023. He anticipated it will approve all the updates and submit them for approval.

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Nathan Bracken stated he and Kayla Mauldin, Long-Range Planner, Municipal Services District, would try to get the legislative updates into the code.

Copperton Metro Township Council Member Reports

- Council Member Clayton

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD)
Council of Governments (COG)

Mayor Clayton stated there had been a lot of talk regarding the Unified Police Department (UPD) and that budget season was coming up. The Council needed to get a list of capital projects going so they could be approved. Copperton does not generally ask for much in terms of funding, but he did ask each trustee for support on the storm drain project.

- Council Member Olsen

Unified Police Department (UPD)
Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA)

Council Member Olsen stated the finance committee met and discussed the appropriation of the general fund balance. SLVLESA's portion was \$1.228 million, and the precinct fund balance was around \$1.7 million. There was a deficit resulting from the 2021/2022 pay increase. UPD was trying to figure out how to catch up and decided to pay it in two years to get it paid off prior to the dissolution of UPD. There has been a lot of discussion on the dissolution of UPD. The next meeting will result in the creation of subcommittees to determine what to do next.

- Council Member Bailey

Unified Fire Authority (UFA)
Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA)

Nothing to report.

- Council Member Stitzer

Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)

Mayor Clayton read a statement from Council Member Stitzer who was not able to attend:

* She is working with Maridene Alexander to get the website ADA-compliant because there is a group of people who look for government websites that are not compliant and they file lawsuits. The updated website will be published through godaddy.com.

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* She posted on social media that Copperton is looking for submissions for the Copperton Park sign. Submissions will be accepted by email until April 30th.

* She is meeting with Rio Tinto regarding some Planning Commission issues.

* The board for WFWRD is looking for ways to improve the seasonal dumpster program. She will review some of the suggestions during the April meeting.

➤ Council Member Severson

Salt Lake County Animal Services

Council Member Severson delivered the 2022 annual report as he was not present to do so in February. Animal Services had been working on a no-kill program since 2008. It achieved that goal in 2013 and has been a no-kill shelter since then. Much of this is due to fundraising efforts that continue to garner donations. Salt Lake County won the National Association of Counties (NACo) award in 2022 for its Hounds Around Town program. It also won Best in State for the 14th time. It is purchasing some hand scanners to send to various municipalities so stray animals can be scanned and immediately returned to their owners before being sent to a shelter. It is also working on a mobile spay and neuter unit. Dustin Gettel was elected as chair, and Arlyn Bradshaw was elected as citizen chair.



Other Announcements

Citizen Comments

Royce Fuchs stated he understood different counties treat trees in park strips differently, but wondered if Copperton could get funding to cut down the old Siberian Elms, many of which have a weak branch structure.

Nathan Bracken stated trees are the property owners' responsibility, but the Code does allow Copperton to condemn and remove them, subject to giving the property owner notice and due process.

Council Member Bailey stated she would investigate the issue.



Announcements

Council Member Bailey reported on the park. Copperton attempts to spend \$50,000 on the park each year and this money came from a grant. It hired an arborist and over the last two years it has lost 50 trees to damage, black mold, and bugs. It also replanted over 50 trees that have a guarantee from the arborist. The Siberian trees will be the next to come out.



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Closed Session

Council Member Bailey, seconded by Council Member Severson, moved to close the open session of the Copperton Metro Township Council meeting to discuss deployment of security personnel, collective bargaining, and reasonably imminent litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council reopened the Copperton Metro Township meeting.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

LANNIE CHAPAN, METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By _____
Deputy Clerk

CHAIR, COPPERTON METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

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