

# EMIGRATION CANYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes for February 11, 2019

Emigration Canyon Firehouse  
5025 Emigration Canyon Road, Salt Lake City, UT 84108

Members Present: Steve Borst, Chair; Lisa Schneider, Vice Chair; Paul Brown, Treasurer; Kate Miyagi, Secretary; Michael Jimenez; Bill Tobey; Claire Clark; Tyler Tippetts; Matt Velinder; Stephanie Harpst

Members Excused/Absent: Dan Anderson

Also present: Jake Elsasser, UPD; Michael Conn, UFA

### **7:00 PM STAFF MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Steve Borst, chair. A quorum was present.

### **Minutes**

January's minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Michael moved to approve the minutes. Bill seconded; all voted in favor.

### **Treasurer's Report & Budget Discussion**

Paul gave the Treasurer's report. There were no deposits or checks in January. There was a discussion about a discrepancy in the budget. There was a discussion about the outstanding bill from the Utah Conservation Corps for work that was done in 2016. Lisa moved to pay the billed amount in full, seconded by Tyler. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### **UFA Report**

Captain Conn gave the UFA report. Chief Dan Peterson has been elected chief of the VECC Board of Trustees. There are still 2 systems for 911, but they are still working on combining the two systems for faster response times. Recruit camp started Feb 4th, with 33 new recruits. Chief is in full support of House Bill 101, distracted driver amendments. UPD is also watching a bill putting in fixes to the Tier 2 retirement system, which would make it easier to recruit and maintain. Fire School 101 will be held again in May (date TBD).

### **Jake Elsasser, UPD**

Detective Elsasser gave the UPD report. There were 28 calls for service and 11 initial reports were taken in January. One was a citizen assist, for a resident concerned about construction blocking his driveway. An individual was camping which is a watershed violation. Two false alarm burglar alarms. Parking citation at top of Pinecrest. UPD responded to a call about an off leash dog off; the owner was warned. Two car reportable traffic accident. There was a general inquiry about ATV use on SR65 above the gate; SR65 is posted as snowmobile only when the gate is closed; Detective Elsasser said he has never taken a complaint on ATVs there. He was asked what percentage of speeding tickets issued are to residents, and he said about 90%.

Michael Jimenez said Powderbirds have been staging pickups with multiple vehicles at the end of Pinecrest and have been parking on private property and asked for enforcement.

The Sports AM half Marathon is scheduled for April 4th, 8-11am.

### **EC Metro Township Council - Joe Smolka**

Mayor Smolka gave several Metro Township updates. He said the Metro Township Council has voted in favor of being the recipient of the grant money that the Sustainability Alliance is applying for, and with that money would hire a consultant to develop a Watershed Plan for the Emigration Canyon watershed. The bicycle lawsuit was settled this past week. The restroom at the mouth of Pinecrest is in the design stage, for a retrofit of the historical building. Work on the 2020 General Plan is progressing.

The paving project is out to bid now, or will be shortly. This project will mill and overlay the main canyon road, and will also include some soft spot repair around Stadel and Little Mountain. The canyon will be closed to all bicyclists during that period for their safety. Rocky Mountain Power is putting power underground in some areas. Another section is going to go underground from Little Mountain to Pinecrest. Quarter Mile Rd will also go underground but this will not affect the paving project because it will not get paved. There will be some delays at the junction of Pioneer Ridge Rd & EC Rd where they will be putting in a larger culvert across the road. They will be requiring signage at the top and bottom of the canyon for the road work. The work likely will not be done by the beginning of the 20-21 school year. There was a discussion about notifying residents and others who use the road. Steve asked everyone to think about who is likely to be impacted so that we can start putting together a list of stakeholders. Joe said Kevin Smelzer will be contact at the county PW. Lastly, EC Metro council members emails have changed again - they are now just lastname @ ecmetro.org

### **EC Governance**

Steve announced that he would be staying on the community council but would be stepping back from his role as chair. He has asked Bill if he would consider stepping up to fill his role. Lisa announced that she will be moving out of the canyon in June but keeping their home in the canyon as a rental. Stephanie nominated Bill Tobey to serve as chair of the ECCC starting tomorrow to serve out the remainder of Steve's term, until the next scheduled officer elections in December 2020. The vote was unanimous in favor. Steve stated we have a vacancy with Rin having moved to the Metro Township Council and said he is in conversation with a few canyon residents to possibly fill her seat. Steve asked subcommittees to set a meeting date before the next community council meeting and report back at the next meeting in March.

Tyler announced that there will be an open house for CERT on Monday night, February 24th, at the Fire Station from 7-9PM. If you are interested in becoming CERT certified, please come to the Fire Station to learn more. If you can't make it, email [Tyler@tippetts.cc](mailto:Tyler@tippetts.cc).

Paul reported that he is in discussions with Utopia fiber about providing fiber to the canyon.

### **Community Comment Period**

Brian Christensen had questions about purchasing property in the canyon and was referred to the appropriate departments at the county.

**Other Business**

none

Motion to adjourn at 9:11 PM. Next meeting to be held March 10th.