

**NEPHI CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
January 20, 2026**

The Nephi City Council met in regular session in the council chambers of city hall located at 21 East 100 North at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday January 20, 2026.

Those present were:

Mayor	Justin D. Seely
Council Member	Jeramie Callaway
Council Member	JD Parady
Council Member	Travis Worwood
Council Member	Tate Douglas
City Administrator.....	Seth Atkinson
Assistant City Administrator.....	Sara Samuelson
City Attorney	Brittany Tellez
City Recorder.....	Leslee Anderson

Absent: Council Member Shari Cowan

Guests: Myrna Trauntvein (Press), Donald W. Ball, James Jenkins, Joran Carter, Amber Painter, Jace Peterson, Zach Weaver, Brandon Johnson, Natalie Jacobson, Marcus Keller, Rhett Peterson, Ann Peterson

The Mayor welcomed everyone and convened to regular meeting. 7:00 pm

PRAYER: Leslee Anderson, City Recorder

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE: Council Member Jeramie Callaway

INTRODUCTION OF ZACK WEAVER – NEPHI CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (NCPD)

Lieutenant Jace Peterson introduced Zack Weaver as the newest officer at the Nephi City Police Department. He stated that he is fresh out of the academy, but working his way quickly through the 4-phase Field Training Officer (FTO) training. Lieutenant Peterson praised Officer Weaver’s professionalism and his initiative-taking nature.

Officer Weaver and his wife moved to Santaquin last year and he is excited to work in Nephi where it feels like a close-knit community. He is excited to contribute to the community and work with the people who live here.

The mayor and council welcomed him to Nephi.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor JD Parady made a motion to approve the consent agenda including Council Meeting Minutes from 1-6-2026, Work Session Minutes from 1-13-2026, Approval of Claims dated 1-20-2026, and Burial Rights for Stephen Gardener in Vine Bluff Cemetery (2 spaces). Councilor Jeramie Callaway seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

NO PLANNING ITEMS

JACOBSON ANNEXATION

- a. JACOBSON ANNEXATION AGREEMENT
- b. JONES ANNEXATION AGREEMENT

Seth Atkinson, City Administrator, introduced the annexation agreements for the Jacobson Annexation (400 West). Bryan and Lisa Jacobson and Mike and Ann Jones are the owners of the properties being annexed. They have each signed the agreements associated with the annexation.

Councilor Travis Worwood moved to have the mayor sign the Jacobson and Jones annexation agreements. Councilor Tate Douglas seconded the motion. The motion passed on unanimous vote.

- c. ORDINANCE 01-20-2026 – JACOBSON ANNEXATION (400 WEST)

Councilor JD Parady made a motion to approve Ordinance 01-20-2026 – Jacobson Annexation and authorize the mayor to sign it. Councilor Jeramie Callaway seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Jeramie Callaway	Yes
Shari Cowan	Absent
Tate Douglas	Yes
JD Parady	Yes
Travis Worwood	Yes

RESOLUTION 01-20-2026 – PARAMETERS RESOLUTION

Seth Atkinson introduced the resolution. The City Council has considered options for funding two projects in the city. One of the projects is the purchase of available land in the city for parks and recreation purposes. The second project is the golf course expansion. The city has looked at the option for a sales tax bond that would be paid for with future golf revenues. The purpose of a parameters resolution is to set an upper limit to a bond and to allow for any current expenses associated with either project to be reimbursed with the upcoming bond.

The parameters resolution was created by the city's bond counsel and has been reviewed by staff and the city's financial advisor (Marcus Keller). The bond amount listed does not require the city to borrow that much, it just sets an upper limit. There are still a couple of months before a bond will be issued and the Council will decide that later.

Councilor Tate Douglas moved to approve Resolution 01-20-2026 – Parameters Resolution. Councilor JD Parady seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Jeramie Callaway	Yes
Shari Cowan	Absent
Tate Douglas	Yes
JD Parady	Yes
Travis Worwood	Yes

ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL UPDATES

- Mr. Atkinson reminded everyone of the upcoming Resource Fair on January 31 from 10am to 1pm at The Hive.

- Mr. Parady mentioned that he attended the Fire Board Meeting, met the new county administrator, and then recounted items discussed.
 - Ryker Spencer was ratified as a new Fire Fighter for Nephi.
 - Building inspectors will need to attend a training concerning HB 48, the Wildlife Mitigation Bill that was passed.
 - The fire department is purchasing a new ladder truck out of Park city. It is smaller (65 ft) than the current one (75 ft). They are also applying for a CIB grant for which takes years to get approval. If they get it, they will purchase a new truck and then the other truck will be cascaded down to another department.
- Mayor stated that he and Shari Cowan attended School Board meeting. They told the school board they were going to try and attend more and be “good neighbors” with the growth and different things coming to the area because decisions the city makes could affect school board decisions. The school board appreciated the relationship the city and the school board has concerning the Hive and mentioned they were the envy of other communities who see the two entities working well together.

NO CLOSED MEETING

Work Session 7:20 pm

1. JustServe City
 - a. Rhett and Ann Peterson, members of Mt. Nebo Communication Council, introduced the council to the JustServe initiative and how Nephi can become a JustServe City.
 - b. The initiative aims to connect volunteers with local service opportunities, enhancing community service efforts.
 - c. It is free to individuals of all ages, persuasions, societies, and faiths. It is a program fully funded by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as a humanitarian offering.
 - d. JustServe can be accessed via the web or mobile app.
 - e. The Petersons outlined requirements to become a JustServe City.
 - i. Create a Volunteerism proclamation.
 - ii. Email the signed proclamation to Awards@JustServe.org
 - iii. Work to meet criteria outlined for a Global JustServe City Award
 1. Be an active JustServe City.
 2. List service project opportunities of JustServe.org.
 3. Encourage unity and city values by supporting diverse groups in service.
 4. Formally recognize individuals for serving in the community.
 - f. The council agreed to proceed with the initiative and plans to present a proclamation at the next meeting on February 3.
2. Adjourn
 - a. Councilor Travis Worwood made a motion to adjourn. Councilor JD Parady seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. 7:34 pm

I, Leslee Anderson, Nephi City Recorder, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes represent a true, accurate, and complete record of the meeting held on January 20, 2026. This document constitutes the official minutes of the Nephi City Council Meeting.

Leslee Anderson