



March 17, 2016
City Council Regular Session
Willamette Activity Center, Rm 8
47674 School Street
7:00 p.m.



MINUTES

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Present: Jim Coey, Mayor
Judy Rowland
Gary Carl
Amy Buchmeier
Dwight Chitwood
Dawn Kinyon
James Affa

Staff Present: Louis Gomez, City Administrator (Absent)
Mike Hansen, Interim Fire Chief
Jackie Taylor, Assistant Planner
Susie LaDuke, Finance Director/City Recorder
Kevin Martin, Police Chief
Rick Zylstra, Assistant to the City Administrator

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Coey said we had the Booster Club Auction this weekend, Leo Robb was honored this year. It was well attended and they raised a lot of money.

4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Susan said after the consent agenda she will swear in Councilor Affa.

Move 7.1 to do right after consent agenda.

Councilor Kinyon wants to add discussion on the Police Department budget.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Councilor Rowland moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

J. Rowland (Aye), A. Buchmeier (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), D. Chitwood (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), J. Affa (Aye). Motion carried 7-0

Susan swore in Councilor Affa.

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6.1 City Administrators Report

No report, Louis is out of town.

6.2 City Recorders Financial Report

Susan gave the Financial Report to the Council.

Motion: Councilor Buchmeier moved that we accept the City Recorders Finance Report as presented. Councilor Affa seconded the motion.

D. Kinyon (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), D. Chitwood (Aye), J. Affa (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), A. Buchmeier (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye). Motion carried 7-0

6.3 RTMP Distribution for Calendar year 2016

Susan gave the background, the RTMP Committee met on March 7th, 2016 to discuss and recommend the distribution of the \$21,109 in the RTMP line. The process was much smoother this year and the distribution recommended is fair and reasoning can be articulated.

Susan explained how the funds were distributed to the applicants with transparency and accountability and without bias.

Motion: Councilor Rowland moved that we approve the distribution of the RTMP Funds as recommended by the RTMP Committee. Councilor Chitwood seconded the motion.

Councilor Carl asked if the funds can be reserved for a future years use? For instance, could we hold over on purpose \$5,000- \$10,000 for a project we might want to fund next year?

Susan said they would have to come up with a project ahead of time so that we could announce to the general public when we go forth with this saying we have X amount that we are going to withhold that would give all of our events a heads up so they can adjust their budgets and things like that. It still has to meet the criteria that the County set forth.

Mayor Coey said this is the most fair and equitable way of distributing these funds to people that apply.

Councilor Buchmeier said we had strong applicants this year and she was pleased with the process.

D. Chitwood (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), A. Buchmeier (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), J. Affa (Aye). Motion carried 7-0

7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 Appointing Volunteer to the Community Services Committee

Motion: Councilor Buchmeier moved that we appoint Mary S. Freeman to serve on the Community Services Committee. Councilor Kinyon seconded the motion.

J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), J. Affa (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), D. Chitwood (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), A. Buchmeier (Aye). Motion carried 7-0

8.0 POLICE SERVICES

Chief Martin introduced our new Police Officer Mike Baeuerlen, today was his first day on the job, and he was a reserve for about a year. He will attend the Academy late summer or early fall.

Chief Martin gave a news release. They broke three major felony cases just this last week. They arrested Jared Moe for possession of a controlled substance, theft by receiving, failure to register as a sex offender and endangering the welfare of a minor. They arrested Michael Bryant for rape 1st, sex abuse 1st and coercion and they arrested Josh Banninger for burglary one and strangulation. There have been hundreds of man hours used for these cases. These are all pretty big felonies so hopefully there will be some prison time.

Councilor Carl asked Chief Martin if he would ask the City Attorney that if upon conviction their photos can be published so the whole community can see and know who these felons are?

Susan said the City on its own does not publish pictures like that. If a Private Citizen wishes to do that they may, but it is not the City's practice to publish those pictures.

Chief Martin said those pictures do go into the Lane County's booking website.

Councilor said so Susie, it is not the City's practice to publish pictures of convicted felons?

Susan said no it is not.

Councilor Carl asked if there is a rule against it?

Susan said it is not in the best interest of the City to use that as a practice. Some Cities have newspapers who publish that information when it happens. Susan said she is not opposed to this but, from a risk management standpoint this is just not a good idea.

Councilor Carl said that is why he said to ask the attorney first, if the attorney approves it then he doesn't see why we shouldn't do it.

Susan said for us to spend city funds to publish those pictures does not seem like a very fiscally responsible thing to do. It seems like the local newspaper would do this on their own as a public service.

Councilor Carl said he doesn't care whether we pay for it or they do it on their own, he just wants to see this done if it's legal to do it. The fact that you or anyone else on the city staff doesn't think it's a good idea doesn't change his opinion.

Chief Martin said he will ask the City Attorney.

Councilor Carl said then he will bring it up at the next meeting and they can vote on it. If he says no then that's the end of it, but if he says sure no problem once they are convicted. It will cost us what, \$100 to put it in the paper, the paper will probably do it on their own.

8.1 Police Budget

Councilor Kinyon said we need to scrub the police budget and see what we can do to get more staff.

Mayor Coey said we already have budget meetings scheduled.

Councilor Kinyon asked Chief Martin if they doing any training, she doesn't see any money taken out for that.

Chief said they are doing training, a lot of the training is free through the academy.

Mayor Coey said this is something we can address during the budget meetings.

9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

No report

10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEE


Tree Planting - Councilor Rowland said the Tree Planting princesses gave their first speech.

Library Board – They had an author's night and over 40 people attended the event.

Meeting adjourned 7:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council April 7, 2016

Signed: 
James Coey, Mayor

Signed: 
Susan LaDuke, City Recorder