



April 20, 2017  
City Council Regular Session  
Willamette Activity Center, Rm 8  
47674 School Street  
7:00 p.m.



## MINUTES

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### 1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Present: Jim Coey, Mayor (Absent)  
Judy Rowland  
Gary Carl, Council President  
Josh McMillin  
Barry Taylor  
Paul Forcum  
Kathy Holston

Staff Present: Louis Gomez, City Administrator  
Mike Hansen, 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

Councilor Carl introduced the newest East Lane County Commissioner Gary Williams.

Bobbie Whitney 48150 E 1<sup>st</sup> Street- Her son's teacher is looking for people who know the history of Oakridge for a Social Studies project. She needs people to sign up to come and talk to the class about the history of Oakridge, not one parent has turned in the form for the class.

### 3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Carl read the Oakridge/Westfir Treeplanting Proclamation for Treeplanting week May 5<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Rowland said the Treeplanting Festival and Parade will have arts and crafts, mini Olympics, run/walk, wood festival, museum will be open and the quilt show.

Councilor Holston said the Chamber is working on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks show, watch for donation jars

#### 4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

#### 5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

B. Taylor (Aye), J. McMillin (Aye), P. Forcum (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), K. Holston (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

##### 6.1 City Administrators Report

No report for this meeting.

Louis did say that the Surveyors were in town earlier this week surveying for the new well.

Councilor Holston asked Louis if we have any progress in getting a loan for the I and I?

Louis said not yet.

Rustie from Banner Bank said they have a Governmental Affairs department and they will be here Tuesday and for Louis to call to set up an appointment.

##### 6.2 City Recorder Finance Report

Susan gave her Financial Report. She passed out the Council Approval reports for the Council and also the Cash Report. Susan attached a spread sheet, this new for the Council, it shows the ins and outs for cash for the City.

**Motion:** Councilor Holston moved to approve the City Recorders Financial Report as presented. Councilor Forcum seconded the motion.

J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), B. Taylor (Aye), P. Forcum (Aye), J. McMillin (Aye), K. Holston (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

##### 6.3 Resolution 04-2017 Supplemental Budget

a) Open Public Hearing- 7:16 P.M.

b) Staff Report- Susan gave the Staff Report

c) Statements in Favor-

Rustie Ackland 47615 Commercial St- Our ambulance is important, we all know that. Fire, Police and Ambulance are the most important services we have. We are too far from Eugene and Springfield to be without it, she is in favor of us doing what we need to do to keep this service.

d) Statements is General

Linda McMahon 48429 Roberts Ranch Drive- She asked if we need \$60,000 to continue ambulance service that we have?

Susan said what we are doing is allowing the Fire Department to borrow \$60,000 from the OIP, it's a loan and will be paid back in three years. This helps cover the overages they had this year. In a nutshell, the revenues went down and the over time went up.

e) Statements in Opposition

None

f) Close Public Hearing- 7:26 P.M.

g) Council Discussion

Councilor Holston thanked the staff in advance, they have done a great job managing finances over the last few years. She wants to encourage us all to believe that the measures they are going to be taking tonight are going to assist us in becoming financially stable for EMS and she thinks that they will. She does think it's prudent that we don't become passive about this, she would like the council to consider what it would look like if we privatize EMS. She wants to go about the business of finding out what that would look like so we are prepared. She asked Louis if he would make sure they get a report back every three months on the financial outlook on EMS, how is it looking? How are the runs doing? Are they improving?

Councilor Carl asked Chief Hansen if Councilor Holston's requests are within the parameters of what he feels is reasonable. He would also like to know from the City Administrator if he thinks reporting back the progress is reasonable or is it somehow in conflict with union negotiations.

Chief Hansen said it is reasonable to track progress. When they asked for the loan they needed to be sure they could show the council and the community that they are going to right this ship and they should be able to show that within six months. By the end of this year if they can't show that things are going in the right direction then that gives them the last six months of that fiscal year to then go forth with the private adventure. He would encourage them not to look into it too soon. They just need to focus on doing a great job and changing the way we operate, and they are.

Councilor Carl said he would hate to see us go to a private ambulance company, he truly regrets that we ever gave up our local dispatch, we can never go back and he is afraid the same thing would be true with ambulance services. He applauds their efforts to do what he is working on doing and he supports that.

Susan said one thing that the employees have put on the table to show that they are dedicated, is that they are forgone their cost of living raises this year. They realize there is a problem.

Louis said the quarterly piece is good, in between the quarters you get your monthly revenue and expenditure report.

h) Council Decision

**Motion:** Councilor Holston move that we approve Resolution 4-2017 Supplemental Budget for a loan of \$60,000 from the OIP Fund to the Emergency Services Fund to be paid back with interest at 1% over the next three years, first payment due in fiscal year 2018, \$55,000 transfer from General Fund and adjustments to the Wood Stove Fund, Community Center Grant line and correction of scrivener's errors in the EMS Fund and the Water Reserve Fund. Councilor McMillin seconded the motion.

B. Taylor (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), P. Forcum (Aye), J. McMillin (Aye), K. Holston (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

**7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

None

**8.0 POLICE SERVICES**

Chief Martin said they had 24 people apply for the Police Officer position, they had confirm that they would come to the written and physical testing and ten people showed up. We have six people that passed and will go to oral boards on Tuesday.

**9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**9.1 IGA with City of Westfir for Fire Protection Services**

Louis said our Fire and EMS collaborates with Hazeldell Fire District and the City of Westfir combined as basically one department. The City of Westfir supplies a first out engine for us and we sue fire tenders from Hazeldell.

Chief Hansen said this is an increase of 3% from last year.

**Motion:** Councilor Holston moved that the Mayor sign the IGA with the City of Westfir to provide Fire Protection Services. Councilor McMillin seconded the motion.

G. Carl (Aye), J. McMillin (Aye), P. Forcum (Aye), B. Taylor (Aye), K. Holston (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

**10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEE**

None

The Mayor and Council from Lowell attended the meeting and introduced themselves.

Adjourn for Executive Session 7:45 P.M.

**Executive Session: 192.660 (2) (e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.**

Executive Session in 7:52 P.M.

Back in Regular Session 8:26 P.M.

**Motion:** Councilor Holston moved we direct City Staff to surplus and sell the necessary portion of property adjacent to Kirk and Lindsey Skordahl Map Number 21-35-16-44 Tax lot 05600 in a manner that captures the family trees, rear fence and rear property access as pictured in example 2 accompanied with this staff report and at set the price @ .75 per square foot, owners to be responsible for costs of the lot line adjustment. Sale will include a revocable license for use of City property. Councilor McMillin seconded the motion.

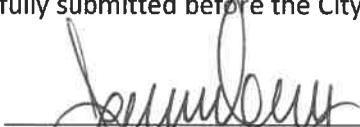
G. Carl (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), B. Taylor (Aye), P. Forcum (Aye), J. McMillin (Aye), K. Holston (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

Councilor Carl felt the audience deserved an outline of what has happened.

Councilor Holston explained that a home was built partially on City Property and the City is allowing the purchase of the property along their real property lines.

Meeting adjourned 8:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council May 4, 2017

Signed:   
James Coey, Mayor

Signed:   
Susan LaDuke, City Recorder