



October 1, 2015
City Council Regular Session
Willamette Activity Center- Room 8
47674 School Street
7:00 p.m.



MINUTES

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor called for a moment of silence for victims of the school shooting in Roseburg this morning.

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

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

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Coey said the Tran-Cascadia was here last weekend, 66 people attended. It was the first one in North America.

Wood smoke season is October through May, LRAPA chose those dates last year, and unfortunately we didn't have a voice in that.

The Mayor, City Council and Louis all attended the League of Oregon Cities in Bend last week.

Room tax is up 20% this year, these are dollars that come back to us.

The Great Willamette Cleanup is this Saturday at Greenwaters Park from 9:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. Mayor Coey will then go to Alton Baker Park to deliver a speech.

We were awarded the loan for the water system, it came in more favorable than we thought. The total loan is 2.69 million, the loan itself is 1.8 million, and instead of a \$250,000 grant we got a \$750,000 grant. We got a 1% interest rate, so our payment will be about \$73,000 a year.

Councilor Carl said Sandy Edds had some very derogatory things to say about him and the way he runs his business, she was wrong and he does not appreciate her slander. He is sure if she knew the facts she would apologize, because she is that kind of person. This is not the appropriate forum to go into details, he just does not appreciate someone making slanderous comments about his business.

Councilor Rowland said she learned a lot from the classes she attended last week in Bend. We were the only city that had all of our Councilors, the Mayor and City Administrator attend.

Councilor Buchmeier said according to the LRAPA website backyard burning won't start until March.

Councilor Kinyon asked Louis if he followed up on Carol Huber's concerns from a previous meeting.

Louis said yes, he did go down there and made contact with Ms. Huber. We do go down there and fill the hole with gravel.

4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Councilor Buchmeier moved to approve the consent agenda for September 3, 2015. Councilor Rowland seconded the motion.

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

Motion: Councilor Rowland moved to approve the consent agenda for September 17, 2015. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

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

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6.1 City Administrators Report

Hwy 58 /Pedestrian Study – They had a kickoff meeting in regards to the pedestrian study, at present they are putting together a traffic advisory committee.

The Empty Lot on Hwy 58 – Louis is waiting to hear back from Tyco LLC. He should hear something soon, they are out of town a lot.

Strategic Plan – On October 24th the council will be working with a consultant on the WAC visioning process or the community center process that meeting will be from 9:00 to 2:00 at city hall.

Teller Road Construction – We accepted the bid from Eugene Sand and Gravel for the Teller Road project, they are looking at the second or third week of October to begin construction. They are doing a 3” road surface, that makes the road last longer, that puts the project at \$167,000.

Bike Racks for the Uptown and Highway – Louis talked to George Custer and they are hoping they will start moving on that soon.

The Property at the OIP - There was not a gas tank on the property, we did find a pit however to where the direction started from. We took samples from the dirt and sent them to Portland to ensure there are no issues, as soon as we get the results back around the middle of the month, we should be able to finalize with that company.

RV Park Language – Louis has forwarded the information to Department Lands Conservation Development, so the RV Language has been forwarded. This is not to change in residential, this is for the flood zone.

Lot 3/Parks, Trails and Trees Board – There was discussion on combining Parks, Trails and Trees Board and Community Services, we had a joint meeting and the vote came out to leave the committees separate. There are two different missions and two different passions of the members. Louis will be bringing an amendment to the ordinance for the Parks, Trails and Trees Board so the council member can be a voting member and to do that we would have to increase the board from 5 to 7. We discussed making Lot 3 a park.

Ford Foundation Grant – We will be exercising those dollars on the 24th as part of the community center visioning process.

LRAPA – We are accepting exemptions through October 15, 2015. October 1st through May 31st is the wood heating season.

Emergency Preparedness and Hazard Mitigation – Councilor Carl had the opportunity to attend a workshop at the League of Oregon Cities, he got some good information. The staff has been working on hazard mitigation and most of the drive is the Cascadia piece, the major earthquake. We have been working with the County Emergency Management for about 5-6 months. One of the key issues that we identify is if you actually have an earthquake of that size would we lose our wells, it’s a good probability that we will. So we were looking at equipment needs and other things. It would be good if we had a small surface water plant as part of our hazard mitigation.

Councilor Carl is considering a subcommittee to work on this project with staff. We do not have a written plan if this happens.

Councilor Kinyon asked if the council could add a topic to their work session to talk about LIDS, we currently have open LIDS in Oakridge.

Louis said she is talking about Local Improvement Districts, for example if you wanted improvements to your streets we paid say 80% and we could ask the people that live on that street to contribute, we have a couple that we have not received any payment.

6.2 City Recorders Financial Report

The council received the council approval reports via email.

Susan presented the financial report to the council.

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

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

6.3 Ordinance 914 Amending Ordinance 903 Air Pollution Control

Louis told the council to look at the copy he handed out that has the red lines, this is the one they sent today with their suggestions.

This is a pretty critical topic, it affects everybody, we talk about air quality, but ultimately it is health, particulates do effect the respiratory system.

Louis went over the handout with the council and the changes that were made.

Councilor Carl said we need to discuss the sanctions and the citizens need to know what they are because they are pretty severe.

Louis said they are going to talk about that at the town hall meeting.

Councilor Carl said regardless of what the sanctions are we still have to have an ordinance.

Mayor Coey said we need to put this in place immediately so we can put the lane electric program into effect because there are dates and time limits that we don't want to miss out on.

Louis will have this ready to go for adoption at the next meeting if we have a unanimous decision.

Mayor Coey said if we don't comply and we don't do our due diligence, they can come into your home and take out your woodstoves and there will be no wood burning. We don't want to go there, they have done this in bigger cities than ours.

There is a town hall meeting on October 20, 2015 at the High School Auditorium at 7:00 P.M.

6.4 Discuss Town Hall Meeting 10-20-15 PM 2.5 Air Quality Discussion

The town hall meeting is the same night as the planning commission meeting, the Police Chief will be at the Town Hall meeting. You can submit questions to him via email regarding the Planning Commission meeting and we will have his answers at the meeting.

There was discussion on moving one of the meetings, but both have been noticed out already and there is not time to notice out again.

7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 WAC Gym Fee Waiver UWCDC

Oakridge Treasures wants to raise some money with a garage sale, they are asking for a fee waiver for the use of the WAC Gym.

Motion: Councilor Carl moved that we approve the fee waiver for the use of the WAC Gym by the UWCDC. Councilor Rowland seconded the motion.

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

8.0 POLICE SERVICES

Chief Martin said their system went down for a few weeks so they don't have an exact number on call volume. They are averaging about 80-100 calls per week, 40 were traffic citations and written warnings and there were 28 case reports.

Courtney Rawlings was offered the code enforcement job, the job starts on October 15, 2015.

9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Interim Fire Chief was absent, Susan gave a short report on the Safer Grant.

They have really cleaned up the offices at the fire department, Susan was really amazed.

10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Treeplanting – They will meet Tuesday October 12, 2015 at 6:00 at the bakery.

Parks, Trails and Trees Board – They discussed merging with the community services committee, the reason for wanting the merge is not the way the ordinance is written, it was decided by both committees to stay separate. They have a new Chair, Charles Nichols.

There have been requests for a dog park so the Parks, Trails and Trees Board is going to put out a survey to the community.

Administration – They are working on code of conduct for councilors, volunteers, staff and community members so that everybody is clear on the appropriate code of conduct.

Adjourn Meeting 8:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council October 15, 2015

Signed: _____
James Coey, Mayor

Signed: _____
Susan LaDuke, City Recorder