



August 1, 2013
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

Council Present: Gerald Shorey, Mayor
Rayetta Clark, Council President
Glenn Fortune (absent)
Jim Coey
Ernest Baszler
Les Biggerstaff
Christine Slaven

Staff Present: Louis Gomez, City Administrator
Dale Scobert, Chief of Police
Tim Whittaker, Interim Fire Chief
Jackie Taylor, Assistant Planner / Public Works Secretary
Susie LaDuke, Finance Director/City Recorder

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Coey had suggestions on ways to beautify Highway 58; he handed out an email that has gone viral as a possible start on cleaning up the Mobile Home Parks. He suggested forming a beautification committee, he doesn't know how else to formulate this; possibly through the Parks Board.

The Council needs to get behind this and be supportive. Cleaning up Highway 58 is part of our Strategic Plan.

Councilor Biggerstaff would like a whiteboard in the Council Chambers to put Council goals and expected dates of completion. We have a lot going on and we seem to lose track of some the goals.

Councilor Slaven talked to the gentlemen who had the idea to bring a mobile health clinic to town; they actually want to have an actual clinic in a building and set up as a non profit. Laurie Patty has been

working on this for a long time. Councilor Slaven would like them to come to a City Council Meeting and talk to the Council.

Mayor Shorey said he met with the gentlemen at a Kiwanis Meeting. They are University of Oregon Students.

Louis said the second meeting date in September would be a good time to have them come to a meeting.

Mayor Shorey thanked Gary Carl for putting the benches up along First Street.

It is a local artist in town that builds them.

This weekend we have the Concerts in the Park, Keg and Cask Festival, The Cascade Cream Puff in Westfir, the Ukulele Festival and Synchronized Swimming events going on in town.

Mayor Shorey suggested we put a time cap on the Council meetings; we shouldn't go any later than 9:00 P.M.

Mayor Shorey attended the Mayors Conference last week in Corvallis; part of the conference was Community Gardens and feeding people. They visited one of the gardens; they had different areas, one for people who have never gardened before, an area for youth and an area where all the food went to the food bank. There was a perennial garden area where you pay \$50 a year for a plot, it was really well run, and it is what you think a true Community Garden should be.

4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

6.3 Appointment of Library Board Member

7.1 Resolution 10-2013 Intent to submit an ODOT SCA Grant

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Councilor Clark moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Biggerstaff seconded the motion.

Mayor Shorey (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), J. Coey (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6.1 City Administrators Report

On Tuesday July 30 the U of O students doing the Community Planning Workshop put on an event for the TMDL Study at Greenwaters Park. We invited all of the property owners along the river; it was a good turn out, they asked a lot of questions and had good suggestions. Any kind of water representative you can think of, we had there. The dialogue was strictly from a voluntary standpoint, no mandate. The students should have something for us by the second meeting in September.

Mayor Shorey signed the contract for Garden Road.

The Community Garden is going well, we are making progress. The rules and the template we are using are working well.

The Strategic Plan is going well.

The Atherton Foreclosure is still scheduled for August 13th; hopefully we will have the building back as ours.

The new Fire Chief should be at work September 15, 2013, he is from Texas.

Louis asked if anyone was taking their spouses to the League of Oregon Cities Training. He picked the classes for everyone so he could get the early bird registration fees; he picked according to interests and thought process.

Louis has made contact regarding the fish testing. They have not responded yet, John Milandin contacted them also.

6.2 City Recorder-Finance Report

Susan went over the reconciliation of accounts.

She is busy wrapping up the year end stuff.

The Auditors will be back in October to finish the audit.

Councilor Clark thanked Susie for providing the financial statements to the council every month.

Louis said they have been talking about changing the color pallet at the Community Services Committee meetings. They want to add brighter colors to the pallet. On the 19th they have a Planning Commission meeting; he is going to get their feedback before he brings it back to the City Council.

6.3 Appointment of Library Board Member

Louis said Georgeanne was appointed to complete a term, and she wishes to continue on, instead of advertising can we just reappoint her.

Councilor Slaven said we should follow the same process with all of our Boards; we should open it up in case there are others that are interested.

Councilor Biggerstaff said she can apply and if she's the best applicant she is going to get it anyway. We are not saying she is not qualified.

It was the consensus of the Council to advertise the position.

7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 Resolution 10-2013 Intent to Submit an ODOT SCA Grant

Louis said as we did with the current project we have out here, we did request a \$25,000 grant for the Garden Road project; we have until February 2014 to get it back. We are doing the same thing for the Teller Road project, we are going to have to start working on our Transportation Plan to line out our next ten projects that we want to do.

The one piece that was not completed on the current Transportation Plan is the crosswalks on the Highway, we will get them eventually.

This project is being presented with sidewalk, curb and gutters.

There was discussion on where the sidewalks and curbs will go.

Motion: Councilor Coey moved that we approve Resolution 10-2013 for application of the 2014 Small City's Allotment Grant from Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). Councilor Clark seconded the motion.

Councilor Slaven asked what are we looking at in terms of getting the Transportation Plan done.

Louis said it is about a two year process.

R. Clark (Aye), Mayor Shorey (Aye), J. Coey (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye).
Motion carried 6-0

8.0 POLICE SERVICES

Chief Scobert said the Council Chambers are clean thanks to a Community Service person who has been coming down and cleaning every Thursday.

9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

Interim Chief Whittaker thanked everyone for attending the meet and greet BBQ for the Fire Chiefs.

July had a record number of calls, 88 in total, 84 were medical, 9 or ten were code three transports. The student program is definitely supplementing the department. They had four fires; two were behind the Elementary School.

The Fire Department got new slurry seal in the parking lot.

All Fire Department vehicles are operational right now.

Mayor Shorey commended the Fire Department; Leo Robb has been cleaning up and they are getting rid of old equipment. It looks a lot different down there now.

*****Old Business**

Reports from Boards and Committees

Administration – They discussed ideas for the parking lot next to We B Video. One of the ideas is to make it a visitor’s center, put in small restrooms, picnic tables and charging stations for cars. The plan is to have crosswalks in that area at some point.

OEDAC- They met on Tuesday; John Milandin was appointed Chairman. They spoke with a developer who is interested in McCredie Hot Springs; he wanted the City to develop it.

Mayor Shorey suggested that we talk to Love Oil to pursue a truck stop in town.

ADJOURNMENT: The Council adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council August 15, 2013

Signed: _____
Jerry Shorey, Mayor

Signed: _____
Susan LaDuke, City Recorder