

City Council Meeting Minutes

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2011

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY OF COLUMBIA CITY, COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

AGENDA ITEM 1 **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

CONVENED:

Mayor Young called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Young delivered the invocation and led the flag salute.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Cheryl A. Young
Councilor Shannon Fitzgibbons
Councilor Josh Fromm
Councilor Sally Ann Marson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilor Casey Wheeler

ALSO PRESENT:

Josh Harper, Police Sergeant (arrived 6:10 p.m.)
Micah Rogers, Public Works Superintendent
Leahnette Rivers, City Administrator/Recorder

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

None

A quorum was present and due notice had been published.

AGENDA ITEM 2 **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

AGENDA ITEM 3 **CITIZEN INPUT:**

3.1 Jason Kirschenmann of Hudson Garbage Service: On behalf of Hudson Garbage Service, Jason presented a request for a 3% rate increase retroactive to July 1, 2011. Jason said it would not be an increase for Hudson Garbage Service, rather they would just be passing through the 3% rate increase imposed on them by the County Transfer Station effective July 1, 2011.

AGENDA ITEM 7 **NEW BUSINESS:**

7.1 Council Bill No. 11-604; Resolution No. 11-1016-R: A Resolution setting rates to be charged by Environmental Waste Systems, Inc./Hudson Garbage Service for collecting and disposing of solid waste, recycling materials, and yard debris within the City of Columbia City, Oregon, effective July 1, 2011.

MOVED (FROMM), SECONDED (FITZGIBBONS) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT COUNCIL BILL NO. 11-604.

AGENDA ITEM 4 COUNCIL REPORTS:

4.1 Parks Committee: Councilor Marson said the community service worker is doing a great job weeding the bank at the entrance sign site.

4.2 Water Source and Development Committee: Chair Fromm said the well is keeping up with current demand, and we're in the process of connecting the backup well to the chlorination facility. Micah said we are currently pumping the well at 190 gpm.

4.3 Street Committee: Leahnette reported that Hoss paving will start work on Second and "I" Streets during the week of July 18. She said the recent street striping work looks really good, and noted that a short section of Penn Street is currently under construction by a local developer.

4.4 Sewer Committee: Councilor Marson said the repair work on Don and Joyce Heller's home may be finished next week.

4.5 Audit Committee: No report.

4.6 Hazard Mitigation Planning Group: No report.

4.7 Other Reports: Mayor Young said Brad Witt and Betsy Johnson will hold an Open House this Sunday in the Community Hall. Councilor Marson said the Caples House will host an ice cream social following the Open House. She noted there will be a 5 and 10-mile walk/run in Rainier on Saturday.

AGENDA ITEM 5 CONSENT AGENDA:

5.1 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 16, 2011.

5.2 Investment and Cash Summary report for the quarter ending June 30, 2011.

5.3 Written report from the Public Works Superintendent.

5.4 Written report from the City Administrator/Recorder.

Leahnette asked that Item 5.4 be struck from the Consent Agenda as it was not made available.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FITZGIBBONS), AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE CORRECTION.

AGENDA ITEM 6 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

AGENDA ITEM 7 NEW BUSINESS (continued):

7.2 Council Bill No. 11-605; Resolution No. 11-1017-R: A Resolution authorizing application under the Special City Allotment Program.

Micah said the project will involve the widening and overlay of "L" Street from the bridge to Second Street.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FITZGIBBONS) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT COUNCIL BILL NO. 11-605.

7.3 Council Bill No. 11-608; Resolution No. 11-1018-R: A Resolution authorizing ORPET extended Enterprise Zone Benefits for a Fourth and Fifth year

in the South Columbia County Enterprise Zone; rescinding Resolution No. 11-1014-R.

Leahnette said the Resolution approved during the last meeting was based upon a different agreement, and there were some changes and corrections that have since been made to the agreement. Council Members expressed confusion about the list of donations attached to the agreement, which varies from the list of donations outlined within the agreement. Leahnette asked Council to take action based upon the contents of the agreement rather than the attached list, and she will get clarification prior to finalizing and distributing the Resolution.

Mayor Young noted that she works for one of the entities that will benefit from a donation.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FITZGIBBONS) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT COUNCIL BILL NO. 11-602.

7.4 Prosecuting Attorney: Proposal for Services as Prosecuting Attorney from Laurie A. Selden and Professional Services Agreement.

Mayor Young noted that Laurie Selden currently serves as prosecuting attorney for the cities of Scappoose and St. Helens, and they are very happy with her services. Leahnette said Laurie's hourly rate is the lowest of the three proposals received, and Laurie is Chief McGlothlin's recommended choice.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FROMM) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO SELECT LAURIE SELDEN TO SERVE AS PROSECUTING ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE SIGNATURE TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.

7.5 Abatement: Request to abate property located at 1915 Fifth Street, Columbia City, under the ownership of Ekstrom Construction.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FITZGIBBONS) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE THE ABATEMENT OF WEEDS AT 1915 FIFTH STREET AS REQUESTED.

7.6 Council Bill No. 11-609; Resolution No. 11-1019-R: A Resolution extending the City of Columbia City's Workers' Compensation Coverage to volunteers of the City of Columbia City, Oregon, during the fiscal year 2011-12.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FROMM) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT COUNCIL BILL NO. 11-609.

AGENDA ITEM 8

OTHER BUSINESS:

Police Department Meet and Greet Sessions: Sergeant Harper said he and Chief McGlothlin recently discussed the upcoming levy election, and wanted to suggest that several informal meet and greet sessions be scheduled during the months preceding the November 2011 election. He suggested each of the sessions might be about an hour in length, and be held on varying days and at varying times to allow more flexibility in attendance. The Council discussed this topic at length with staff.

Traffic Safety Commission Meeting: Sergeant Harper said the group discussed the topic of re-naming a portion of Highway 30 in memory of Chief Painter during a recent meeting. He said there seemed to be some confusion as to how the project would be funded.

Community Hall fees: Mayor Young suggested the City Council waive the rental fees for the Community Hall associated with the upcoming reception following the memorial services for Maxine Loyd in honor of her past volunteer service to the City.

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MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FROMM) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO
WAIVE THE COMMUNITY HALL RENTAL FEES FOR THE RECEPTION IN HONOR OF
MAXINE LOYD.

AGENDA ITEM 9 ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at
6:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Cheryl A. Young
Mayor

ATTEST:

Leahnette Rivers
City Administrator/Recorder