City Council Meeting Minutes

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THURSDAY November 21, 2019

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY OF COLUMBIA CITY, COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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

CONVENED:

Mayor Casey Wheeler called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Casey Wheeler
Councilor Sally Ann Marson
Councilor Karli Ebert
Councilor Susan Ziglinski

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilor Gordon Thistle

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike McGlothlin, City Administrator/Recorder
Micah Rogers, Public Works Superintendent
Jerry Bartolomucci, Police Operations Sergeant

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

None

A quorum was present and due notice had been published.

AGENDA ITEM 2   **CITIZEN INPUT:** Chris Thurman, of 1920 Third Street, complained of traffic concerns during the morning and afternoon timeframe in the area of the Columbia City Elementary School. Mr. Thurman expressed concerns with motorists speeding and running the stop signs at 2nd and I Streets. Sgt. Bartolomucci was present at the council meeting and is coordinating with Mr. Thurman in order to address his concerns.

AGENDA ITEM 3   **COUNCIL REPORTS:** None

AGENDA ITEM 4   **STAFF REPORTS:**

4.1 Monthly Report from the Police Operations Sergeant.
The Police Operations Sergeant, Jerry Bartolomucci, submitted a departmental written report for the previous month's activities.

4.2 Monthly Report from the Public Works Superintendent.
The Public Works Superintendent, Micah Rogers, submitted a departmental written report for the previous month's activities.

AGENDA ITEM 5   **CONSENT AGENDA**

5.1 Bills paid with check numbers 32115 through 32168 during the month of October, 2019.

5.2 Financial Report for the month ending October 31, 2019.

5.3 Minutes of the October 17, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting.

5.4 Minutes of the November 12, 2019 Audit Committee Meeting.

5.5 Ratification of an Application for an OLCC Temporary Use of an Annual License (TUAL), as submitted by Todd Stansbury of Sunshine Pizza on October 22, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

AGENDA ITEM 6   **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

AGENDA ITEM 7   **NEW BUSINESS:**

7.1 Council Bill No. 19-892: 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 2019-20.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (EBERT) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE COUNCIL BILL NO. 19-892.

7.2 Ratification of the State of Oregon, Department of Land Conservation and Development, 2019-20 Grant Young Memorial Planning Assistance Grant, as submitted by the City Administrator/Recorder on October 30, 2019.

MOVED (EBERT), SECONDED (ZIGLINSKI) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE RATIFICATION OF THE PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT AS SUBMITTED.

7.3 Dalton Lake Nature Preserve presentation by Lynne Pettit, Chair of the Dalton Lake Advisory Committee.

CHAIR PETTIT INFORMED COUNCIL OF THE ACTIVITIES PERFORMED TO DATE IN REGARDS TO THE FORMATION OF THE DALTON LAKE NATURE PRESERVE, AND THE SUBSEQUENT COMMITTEE WORK FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE. VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT IS ONGOING AND INITIAL EFFORTS ARE TO BE FOCUSED ON WOODEN KIOSK AND BIRD BLIND BUILDING, A BOARDWALK TO BE DEVELOPED FOR THE WETLAND AREA, ALONG WITH THE BUILDING OF A BIKE RACK FOR VISITORS. HANK LANE, A CITIZEN OF 1240 FOURTH STREET, COMMENTED ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONCERNS ALONG THE SOUTH END OF FOURTH STREET. CHRIS THURMAN, A CITIZEN OF 1920 THIRD STREET, ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERNS REGARDING INCREASED BIKE AND VEHICLUAR TRAFFIC IN THE AREA. CHAIR PETIT RESPONDED BY SAYING THAT ADDITIONAL PLANNING WOULD NEED TO BE UNDERTAKEN TO ADDRESS THESE CONCERNS AND THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD REMAIN COMMITTED IN WORKING WITH THE CITY TO ADDRESS THESE AND ANY OTHER CONCERNS THAT MAY ARISE.

7.4 Council Bill No. 19-893: A Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Appropriations within the General Fund during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (EBERT) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE COUNCIL BILL NO. 19-893.

AGENDA ITEM 8   **OTHER BUSINESS:**

8.1 The City Administrator/Recorder informed Council of the following issues and activities:

     8.1.1. The annual City Christmas Holiday Dinner has been scheduled for

Sunday December 15, 2019 at 5:00 pm. Sally Ann and Leonard Marson have graciously offered to host the event once again at their residence. City staff will complete invites and coordination with Sally Ann with RSVP requested.

The City Administrator/Recorder will be attending a working luncheon on December 5, 2019 in regards to discuss local government working priorities with other municipalities and county government representatives. The purpose of the meeting is to identify and explore collaborative efforts where shared resources can be better utilized to provide more efficient services to our communities.

The City Administrator/Recorder requested that Council share any feedback for Columbia County Rider (CCR) staff in regards to potential service reductions resulting from recent failed service district formation. Feedback gained will be shared with Todd Wood, CCR Director.

The City Administrator/Recorder, after completing further research and due diligence, is recommending transitioning telecommunications services to Granite Telecommunications, Inc. from Comcast. Switching to this service provider will encompass telephone and internet services and is projected to save the City over $100.00 per month for these services.

The City Administrator/Recorder informed Council that Stacey Goldstein, the City's contracted Planner, is leaving Siegel Planning in order to take a position with Oregon's Department of Land Conservation and Development. Siegel Planning is hiring a replacement and Scot Siegel is filling in right now as the City's contracted Planner with no disruption of services provided.

AGENDA ITEM 9   **ADJOURNMENT:**

9.1   There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

APPROVED:

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Casey Wheeler
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michael S. McGlothlin
City Administrator/Recorder