



# L A P I N E

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## CITY OF LA PINE CITY COUNCIL – WORK AND REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

La Pine City Hall

16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739

### A. Work Session – Immediately Following Budget Committee Meeting.

1. Call to Order

Work Session called to order at 5:47 p.m. by Mayor Richer

2. Establish Quorum

**Members present:** Mayor Daniel Richer, Councilor Don Greiner, Councilor Connie Briese, Councilor Michael Harper, Councilor Mike Shields; Student Councilor Max Miller.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Melissa Bethel, Public Works Manager Jake Obrist, and Administrative Assistant Kelly Notary

1. Ordinance 2019-02 Amending Ordinance Nos. 2015-02, 2016-10, and 2017-09, Which Ordinances Concern Recreational Marijuana Businesses and Medical Marijuana Dispensaries – Discussion

Councilor Harper recused himself from the discussion on this item

Melissa explained that the one change that would be amended would be to allow the dispensaries to be open on Sunday, which they are not currently allowed to do.

All council agreed they have enough information to move forward with a decision in regular session.

Mayor Richer asked if anyone had anything specific to mention regarding the ordinance before moving on to the next item:

Connie expressed her continued disagreement with extending it to Sunday and does not feel it keeps up the small town feel of La Pine. She mentioned the core values she was asked to protect when she was elected and marijuana dispensaries are not in line with those principles – in her opinion.

The rest of the council did not see a correlation between adding another day and the degradation of our small-town feel.

Discussion around the taxes that are taken in and what effect this has on illegal use of marijuana, including a rise in teen use took place before council moved on to the next topic.

2. Backflow Testing Services Agreement – Discussion

Jake Obrist explained the process and the bid that he received. He also explained the need for this contract.

3. Adjourn Meeting

6:04pm Work Session Adjourned

**B. Regular Session – immediately following Work Session**

1. Call to Order

Regular Session called to order at 6:10pm by Mayor Richer

2. Establish Quorum

Same as above

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Added Agenda Items

Any matters added to the Agenda at this time will be discussed during the “Other Matters” portion of this Agenda or such time selected by the City Council.

5. Public Comments

6. Consent Agenda

Information concerning the matters listed within the Consent Agenda has been distributed to each member of the City Council for reading and study, is considered to be routine, and will be enacted or approved by one motion of the City Council without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired concerning a particular matter listed within the Consent Agenda, that matter may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda by request of any member of the City Council.

a. Approval of Council Minutes

- i. Approval of April 24, 2019 Joint Meeting with BOCC Minutes
- ii. Approval of April 24, 2019 Regular Session Meeting Minutes

b. Reimbursements

- i. Approval of Council and Staff Reimbursements

Councilor Greiner moved to approve the consent agenda, Councilor Harper seconded, approved with unanimous support by council.

7. Other Matters: Only those matters properly added to this Agenda under line item No. 4

8. Public Hearing Regarding Ordinance 2019-02 Amending Ordinance Nos. 2015-02, 2016-10, and 2017-09, Which Ordinances Concern Recreational Marijuana Businesses and Medical Marijuana Dispensaries – Action Item

a. Open Public Hearing

Councilor Harper has recused himself from the discussion and the vote.

- i. Staff Report
- ii. Public Comments

Kellie Wright (outside City Limits) would like to see the dispensaries open on Sunday, because people are very busy. She works and has children to care for, as well as their extracurricular activities and Sunday is her day for errands, it would be helpful to have access to the medical marijuana and cbd on Sunday. Her family has found it very effective for ailments and she hopes Council votes yes.

Tim Grey (outside City Limits) He is the manager of Green Knottz and mentioned that there are medical reasons people are on CBD or Marijuana. The pharmacy is open on Sundays and although they are considered alternative medicine he feels like it's only reasonable for people to get all of their medicine on Sundays. Many people have been able to get off opioids due to his product, as well as other medicines that make their lives easier. He only sees benefits for his customers.

- iii. Close Public Hearing
- iv. Deliberations

Don Greiner made a motion that the La Pine City Council approve Ordinance No.2019-02 an Ordinance amending Ordinance Nos. 2015-02, 2016-10, and 2017-09, which concern Recreational Marijuana Businesses and Medical Marijuana Dispensaries. The approval will allow medical and recreational marijuana dispensaries to operate within the hours of Sunday through Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Councilor Shields seconded the motion.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilor Greiner – yes

Councilor Shields - yes

Councilor Briese – no

Councilor Harper - recused

Student Councilor Representative – yes (vote is unofficial and does not count towards any majority)

City Manager Bethel reminded the room that Pursuant to Section 16 of the City Charter; if the vote is not unanimous, this agenda item will be placed on the next City Council meeting (June 12<sup>th</sup>) for approval and will not become official until 30 days after a second majority vote.

#### 9. Backflow Testing Services Agreement – Action Item

##### a. Staff Report

Councilor Harper moved that council approves the agreement, Councilor Briese seconded, agreement was approved with unanimous support by council.

#### 10. Public Comments

Matt Toepfer (Outside City Limits) Owner of HD Botanical concurred that their business is helpful to the public and would like to see Sunday allowed, so people can access their medicinal and recreational products.

#### 11. Staff Comments

##### Melissa Bethel:

Advised council that the refinement plan meetings kicked off and they would like one member from Council to be a part of the committee. She asked that they select someone at tonight's meeting to keep things moving forward with the committee. After discussion Councilor Harper is the representative and Councilor Briese is the alternate.

COAC – Two items that could potentially come up in Carbon Bill were presented, which if passed would be an increase in Gas Tax & also a speed limit bill that would allow cities to set their own speed limits w/ specific hoops required.

EDCO went out for a full-time position search and expect to have candidates in 30 days.

STIFF Grant – Went to Deschutes and CTE and will now be at the state level (La Pine Station).

Regional Solutions Outreach will be here on May 28<sup>th</sup> and the agenda went out today.

BPAC Summit – Melissa Sat on a panel about trail work for our area and there is a lot in the works to connect Sunriver and La Pine at some point in the future.

High School Survey results from Career Day show 56% of students think the most important thing the city of La Pine needs is more activities. (i.e. movie theater, arcade, etc.), while 31.5% would like to see more retail and 12.5% are interested in more walking and biking paths.

CET put in money for a transportation grant in the amount of 9.5mil to our area for bus routes, more to come on that as the grant process moves along.

Jake Obrist:

June 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clean Up Days we provide trash bags, ODOT vests. Kick Off will be here at City Hall on Friday morning at 9am with breakfast provided by the city.

High School Senior Class on May 9<sup>th</sup> came to City Hall to talk about jobs and life after school, including trade jobs and they got to go on a tour of the well site.

12. Mayor and Council Comments

Councilor Greiner – Said he is working to get Crescent Creek clean up and citywide cleanup coordinated for the same time and sent out to the residents from the HOA.

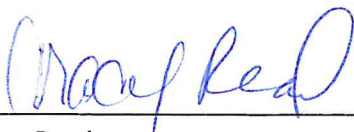
Councilor Harper - Thanked the city staff for the sympathy card and appreciated the council being so kind about letting him go to take care of his family.

Mayor Richer thanked the people who came out for the meeting and encouraged them to make a habit of attending, so that council can be more effective in their work to improve the city.

13. Adjourn Meeting

Adjourned 6:43pm

Attest



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