



REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

5:30 PM

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

La Pine City Hall

16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739

1. Call to Order

2. Establish Quorum

Members Present: Mayor Daniel Richer, Council President Don Greiner, Councilor Connie Briese (by telephone), Councilor Michael Harper, Councilor Mike Shields, Student Councilor Max Miller.

Staff Present: City Manager Melissa Bethel, Public Works Director Jake Obrist, Accounting Clerk Tracy Read

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Added Agenda Items

None.

5. Public Comments

None.

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. Minutes

i. Regular Session 2.12.20

ii. Work Session 2.26.20

b. Council and Staff Reimbursements

7. Parking Ordinance - Discussion

Bethel presented the staff report. She stated the Wickiup Junction area is congested with cars and recreational vehicles for sale. This is creating difficulty for the local transit company. The proposed ordinance will not apply to private parking areas however a business would have the ability to post the ordinance for enforcement.

It was suggested that 'pathways' be added to sidewalk language, and addressing parking in angled parking spots that exceed or cross the marked area. The term 'temporary parking' was discussed as well as weight limits. Staff will review this subsection with counsel.

8. Gas Tax Consultant Update - Discussion

Bethel delivered the staff report. She has reached out to other municipalities and received only a couple of responses. Discussion followed regarding whether staff should continue to pursue a consultant or whether council and staff could provide the same service and information to the community. Additional discussion regarding using a professional marketing firm and local media. There was consensus that council and staff can do the work and council would be effective in marketing to the community. Max suggested the high school marketing class being involved. He will follow up. Staff will look into whether an open house can be held after the ballot measure is certified.

9. Bryant, Lovlien & Jarvis Contract - Discussion

Bethel stated that while the rates have increased by \$25/hr., they are working on several big projects for the City. Additionally, in the near future COIC will have counsel available at a lower rate that we can use for more routine matters. There was consensus that even at the increased rate, the City is still getting value. The firm has a long history with the City and works to contain costs by working on like matters with other municipalities where possible. Additionally, there is a clause that the fee can be reviewed annually.

Motion made by Councilor Briese to renew the proposed contract, Seconded by Councilor Shields.

Voting Yea: Council President Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Harper, Councilor Shields

10. Other Matters

None.

11. Public Comments

None.

12. Staff Comments

Bethel reviewed her presentation to the League of Women Voters. On May 21 from 11:30 -12:30 there will be a ribbon cutting for the new La Pine station and new bus line. She asked for attendance and support from council. She also asked for council attendance at the Wickiup open house where staff will answer questions and be available to notarize easements for the water/wastewater expansion.

13. Mayor and Council Comments

Briese: Asked for an update on the upcoming council vacancy.

Shields: Nothing

Greiner: Nothing

Harper: Will be unable to attend the next meeting but will participate by phone.

Miller: Will follow up with high school marketing. Provided an update on high school projects and activities.

Richer: Update on Anderson Perry grant which will be given to a qualifying high school senior. He provided an update on his Corona virus community discussions.

14. Adjourn Meeting