

CITY OF LA PINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

6:00 p.m. Work Session

La Pine City Hall 16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Establish Quorum

Present: Mayor Scott, Councilor Greiner, Councilor Heaton, Councilor Martinez, and Councilor Briese **Staff Present**: Public Works Manager Jake Obrist, Planning Manager Melissa Bethel, Administrative Assistant Tracy Read and Administrative Assistant Holly Smith; Ryan Culp appeared by telephone **Absent by prior arrangement**: City Manager Cory Misley

3. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> Led by Mayor Scott

4. Added Agenda Items See Item 12.

5. <u>Public Comments</u>

None

6. Discussion on City Economic Development Incentive Program

Ryan Culp discussed the SLED Loan Agreement language and outlined steps of the process. Prior to a loan agreement with Legend Cider Company, the Council must first pass a resolution to establish a loan program. He explained how the amounts were arrived at and the necessary steps for the cider company to complete. Councilor Martinez asked about the 8% and how it was arrived at, Ryan stated that amount is the standard for other comparable communities, but that is a determination for Council to make. There was discussion regarding whether Urban Renewal funds could be used for the project. Will be voted on at the next City Council Regular Session on August 8.

7. <u>Discussion on Wickiup Park and Ride IGA with Deschutes County</u>

Jake Obrist reported on Cory Misley's discussion with James Lewis, Deschutes County Property Manager. He stated the land could be partitioned off to be partially owned by the City. This is still a work in progress and could be implemented within the next month. Mayor Scott mentioned his

concern regarding erecting a monument sign on the site if the land is not owned by the City. The City would be responsible for all maintenance, and there was discussion regarding Deschutes County assisting with maintenance funds. Councilor Greiner requested maintenance funding be defined prior to voting on the project at the next Regular Session.

8. <u>Discussion on Priorities for the League of Oregon Cities 2019 Legislative Agenda</u>

After Council discussion, the top four Legislative priorities are:

- K Local Control Over Speed Limits on City Streets
- Z Tobacco Taxes Share Increase
- L Lodging Tax Definition Broadening
- M Mental Health Investment

The four lowest priority items are:

- W Speed Cameras
- F Carbon Cap-and-Investment Program Adoption
- V Small Area Cell Deployment
- T Right-of-Way and Franchise Fee Authority

9. <u>Discussion on Special City Allotment Street Grant and Proposed Project</u>

Melissa Bethel briefed Council members on this project. She is working with Deschutes County on turning over jurisdiction of the area to the City. Councilor Greiner expressed concern with the cost of paving the alley. There was discussion regarding urbanizing other areas. Councilor Martinez stated that in other cities it is common for alleyways to be the main source of delivery and that it makes sense to do so. This would also benefit other businesses in the area. Because Councilor Martinez is personally vested in this project, he will not take part in discussions or voting on it. There was discussion regarding whether funding is sufficient for the scope of the project, on ADA ramps and sidewalks being part of the project, and on street maintenance. Councilor Greiner expressed concern regarding encroachment by affected businesses.

10. Discussion on Invitation to Bid for Forest Fuel Services

Jake Obrist described the property and concerns. There was an assessment done and it was determined that an Invitation to Bid is needed due to the amount of work required. The homeless population in the area was discussed, and Jake stated the roads have been blocked off and currently there is no one camped there. A vote at the next Regular Session was suggested.

- 11. <u>Discussion on USDA Loan Resolution Forms for W/WW Expansion & Improvements Project</u>

 There was discussion on the various forms required by USDA, including a resolution that may be voted on at the next City Council Regular Session.
- 12. Other Matters: This item concerns any matters that were added to the Agenda under the Added Agenda Items portion of this Agenda

Mayor Scott requested an Executive Session regarding some City contracts that he feels Council members should be aware of. Other Council members agreed. This will be held on August 8 at 5 p.m., prior to the Regular Session. Only Council members will be in attendance.

13. Public Comments

None

14. Staff Comments

Melissa Bethel provided an update on the Parks & Rec proposal for a tax levy and the archery club's request for space for a range, as well as plans for walking and hiking trails. The White School building may be demolished. The TGM open house was reviewed. The next step in this project is a joint meeting of City Council and the County Planning Commission.

Jake Obrist provided an update on the Fire District Board Meeting and their discussion regarding fireworks. Mayor Scott requested we reach out to the Sheriff's Department as they would be responsible for enforcement. Also he gave an update on the wastewater expansion project. Tracy Read was introduced to Council members by Holly Smith.

Holly Smith informed Council that Trentyn gave his apologies for not attending, it is his birthday. She reminded everyone to promote the upcoming election. Four packets have been picked up, and one turned back in.

15. Council Comments

Councilor Greiner discussed his experience in running for Council last year. He stressed the importance of getting extra signatures. He also expressed concern with the lack of flagging at the construction area in front of the post office.

Councilor Briese received a citizen concern regarding obstructions such as trees which hamper a driver's ability to see oncoming traffic at intersections. COIC cancelled their August meeting and going forward will hold meetings only when necessary.

Councilor Heaton informed everyone that he received jury summons, and has other commitments in August which will limit his availability.

Councilor Martinez advised that SLED is in the planning stages. He is concerned with speed in construction zones around town.

16. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Scott stated he feels summer is going well. He is anxious for quality candidates to step forward for open Council positions. The Housing Works project is looking good. He will put a message in Wise Buys regarding using caution in construction zones, and City staff will put it on our Facebook page.

17. Adjourn Meeting

Councilor Heaton made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Martinez seconded. No objections. Unanimously approved.

Dennis Scott, Mayor

Attest

Cory Misley City Recorder