

CITY OF LA PINE, OREGON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 5:30 PM

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

Available online via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85101934156>

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM:

PRESENT

Councilor Colleen Scott
Councilor Mike Shields
Councilor Courtney Ignazzitto
Mayor Daniel Richer

ABSENT

Councilor Cathi Van Damme

STAFF

City Manager, Geoffrey Wullschlager
City Planner, Alexa Repko
Public Works Director, Jake Obrist

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Three (3) minutes per person; when asked to the podium, please state your name and whether you live within La Pine city limits.

None.

5. 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.

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 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.

- 1. 04.27.2022 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**
- 2. 05.04.2022 Special Meeting Minutes**

Mike Shields points out spelling error in April 27, 2022 meeting minutes. Under Old Business, “grating process” should say “grading process”.

Motion by Councilor Shields to approve the Meeting Minutes from April 27, 2022 with corrections and Meeting Minutes from May 4, 2022 as presented. Councilor Ignazzitto seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields, Councilor Ignazzitto.

Voting Nay: None.

7. PRESENTATIONS:

None.

8. OLD BUSINES:**1. Ongoing Projects:****a. Transit Center**

Geoff Wullschlager reported that the City was billed for the Transit Center and will submit for reimbursements. The standstills with electrical and septic have been addressed. The amount of landscaping, including curbing, is still being determined. The project won't be done by June as originally anticipated, but ODOT will deem it substantially complete and we will be able to bill them. The design has been changed to include chain link fencing instead of wooden fencing. Geoff Wullschlager stated that the Transit Center will be functional by end of summer (August) including temporary restrooms.

b. Water/Wastewater Expansion

Jake Obrist reported that the City looked at alternative options for piping on project due to availability. Alternative options proved to be more cost effective and more readily available. All parties involved accepted and approved of the changes in materials. Jake Obrist anticipates that construction team will break ground in 6-8 weeks. Geoff Wullschlager spoke with DEQ about financing and will be submitting an audit document to the subject bank.

c. Hwy 97 Pathway

Geoff Wullschlager reported that bids will be opening tomorrow.

9. NEW BUSINESS:**1. Huntington Rd. Speed Study Update (Discussion)**

Geoff Wullschlager explained that the study took place 0.10 miles from Caldwell Drive. The study found that 50% of drivers were going 45.6 mph, and 85% of drivers were going 50.1 mph. Because of these findings, the area does not qualify for a speed reduction per ODOT standards. Deschutes County is discussing with ODOT an extension of the 30 mph zone to Caldwell Drive. Geoff will pass along this information to the interested parties.

2. La Pine Parks and Recreation Dept. Community Grant App

Geoff Wullschlager explained that Parks and Rec holds an annual event called Music in the Pines. Parks and rec are asking the City for \$2,500, which is what they typically ask for. Courtney Ignazzitto made a motion, Mike Shields seconded it, and it was approved by unanimous vote.

3. La Pine Lions Club Community Grant. App

Geoff explained that Cathi supports these grant applications. The grant would support the retrofitting of the Lions Club trailer which will cost \$6,000 to \$10,000 in total. They expect to be fully funded by 2025, but are asking the City to be the first contribution in order to show investors. They are asking for \$750 from the City. Colleen Scott made a motion, Mike Shields seconded it and it was approved by unanimous vote.

4. La Pine Lions Club Tourism Grant App

Geoff Wullschlager explained that Tourism funds are separate from Community funds. Geoff explained the proposed event, Oktoberfest, which would take place in the fall and bring in an estimated 500 people. He stated that Tourism funds are reserved for proposals that would bring people into the City. Courtney Ignazzitto made a motion, Mike Shields seconded it and it was approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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None.

10. STAFF COMMENTS:

- 1. Planners Report** – Council members had no questions on pending land use applications.
- 2. Public Works** – Jake Obrist reported that the contract was awarded for the water/wastewater project and USDA funding has been secured. Construction will now begin.
- 3. City Manager Report** – Geoff Wullschlager reiterated that the City was granted 13 million in total for water/wastewater project. Geoff also asked the Council to go down to one meeting a month due to Staff shortages. Courtney supported this, Colleen supported this for the months

of July and August, Shields supports this, and the Mayor supports this as well. The City Council will go down to one meeting a month taking place on the fourth Wednesday of the month for the months of July of August. Council and Staff will then reassess the availability for two meetings a month. Geoff mentioned the budget meeting to adopt the approved budget as well as the upcoming open recruitments.

11. MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilor Scott – Thanked Staff. She also mentioned that the City is moving in a positive direction on ongoing projects including the water and wastewater project.

Councilor Shields – Thanked Staff.

Councilor Van Damme – Absent.

Councilor Ignazzitto – Thanked Staff.

Mayor Richer – Asked questions about streetlights along Railroad Street. He also thanked Staff.

12. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm

Pursuant to ORS 192.640: This notice includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered or discussed at the above-referenced meeting. This notice does not limit the ability of the City Council to consider or discuss additional subjects. This meeting is subject to cancellation without notice. The regular meeting is open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend.