



**CITY OF LA PINE, OREGON
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 5:30 PM

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

Available online via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82142816661>

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Richer called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Councilors Present:

Mayor Richer

Councilor Van Damme

Councilor Shields

Councilor Ignazzitto

Staff Present:

Geoff Wullschlager, City Manager

Alexa Repko, Principal Planner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Richer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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.

There were no Public Comments.

ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

There were no 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

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.

There were no items on the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Ordinance 2023-01 Draft (Second Reading)

Wullschlager went over the associated Staff Report.

The City of La Pine granted a franchise agreement to Midstate Electric Cooperative, Inc. for the right to place, erect, and maintain poles, wires, and other appliances and conductors for the transmission and distribution of electricity in, on, and under the streets, alleys, avenues, thoroughfares, and public highways (right of way) in the City of la Pine, for the purpose of generating, transmitting, and distributing electricity, by way of City Ordinance 2011-02. The term of this agreement ran through July 1, 2021, and has since expired. Additionally, Attachment A. of Ordinance 2011-02. "Midstate Policy #127, Vegetation Management", has been replaced by "Midstate Policy #308 Vegetation Management/Right-Of-Way And Easement Requirements", as internal Midstate Electric Cooperative, Inc. policy.

For ongoing operations and due to the feasibility of the original franchise agreement, the agreement should be extended through July 1, 2024 to provide both organizations ample opportunity for review and negotiation should either entity request such.

As of the date of this staff report, Midstate Electric Cooperative, Inc. staff have indicated that Midstate Electric Cooperative, Inc. is commensurate with the proposal of an extension.

Councilor Shields made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-01, Councilor Van Damme seconded the motion. Ordinance 2023-01 was adopted by a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *City Council Appointment*

Wullschlager went over the associated Staff Report which detailed the open seat and included the applications. One of the two Applicants, Karen Morse, was present and went over her qualifications. Councilors then asked Morse questions.

Councilor Shields nominated Karen Morse for the open seat on City Council. Councilor Van Damme nominated Jeff Poteet for the open seat on City Council. Councilors Ignazzitto and Shields voted yea to appointing Karen Morse to City Council, and Councilor Van Damme voted nay. Karen Morse was appointed to City Council by a majority vote.

Councilor Van Damme made a motion to nominate Dylan Marston as a Student Councilor, Councilor Shields seconded the motion. Dylan Marston was appointed Student Councilor by a unanimous vote.

New Councilors will take the Oath of Office at the subsequent meeting (April 12, 2023).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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There were no Public Comments.

STAFF COMMENTS

Repko let City Council know that she will be leaving the City at the end of the month. She thanked them for their time together.

Wullschlager asked Councilors if they'd like to attend the SLED Annual Luncheon on April 11, 2023. He also mentioned that the April 26, 2023 meeting will be a Joint Session with the County Commissioners. City Staff are recruiting new members for the Budget Committee (five open seats). Committee members must live in the City Limits and be a registered voter. Their responsibilities would include three meetings once a year.

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS

No Councilor comments. Mayor thanked community and invited them to participate.

ADJOURMENT

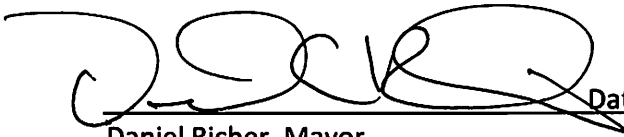
Mayor Richer adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

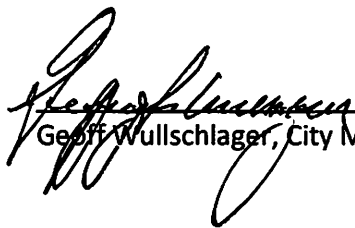
EXECUTIVE SESSION

The public will not be permitted to attend the executive session; provided, however, representatives of the news media and designated staff will be allowed to attend the executive session. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the executive session as previously announced. No decision will be made in the executive session.

There was no Executive Session.


Date: 12 APRIL 23
Daniel Richer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Date: 4/12/23
Geoff Wullschlager, City Manager