

LA PINE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE AGENDA

Tuesday, February 12, 2013
Regular Meeting – 9:00 am
16345 6th Street La Pine, OR 97739

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3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes
5. An update of the La Pine Transportation System Plan [TSP]. This presentation will focus on an overview of efforts to date as well as overview of alternative analysis and draft TSP projects.
6. Discussion concerning public work priorities for the 2013/2014 budget year
7. Ed Carpenter's resignation
8. Other Issues/Concerns
9. Public Comments
10. Staff General Comments
11. Committee Member General Comments
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A. Regular Session

1. Call to Order

Chairman Tom Weller called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

2. Establish Quorum

A quorum was established. The following committee members were present: Chairman Tom Weller, Vice-Chair Linda Johnston, Jim Fleming, Doug Ward, and Bill Sawders. Arlo Fertig was absent by prior arrangement.

The following staff was present: City Manager Steven Hasson, Public Works Manager Scott Perkins, and Utility Billing Specialist Ashley Williams.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Jim Fleming led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Bill Sawders made a motion to accept the January 8, 2013 minutes. Jim Fleming seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5. An update of the La Pine Transportation System Plan [TSP]. This presentation will focus on an overview of efforts to date as well as overview of alternative analysis and draft TSP projects.

It was announced that this presentation will be condensed and presented at the La Pine Chamber of Commerce's monthly breakfast on Friday.

Joe Bessman presented maps for the committee to look over and make adjustments to them. He explained that he would like to see people change the maps to generate ideas. He went over a description of the different types of streets (arterial, collector, and local). He also stated that the La Pine TSP is not too defined, which can be a problem in larger cities.

The different roads that are needed throughout the City of La Pine for connectivity were discussed. For instance a road is needed for connecting the east and west sides of the Cagle Neighborhood. Also discussed was the need for a good connection street in Wickiup Junction area on the east side of the highway.

The rodeo grounds were discussed; creating a good method to get people to and from the rodeo grounds without having dangerous, high volume pull outs on the highway.

It was discussed that a good portion of the streets in La Pine (25-30%) are not actually roads. They are just dirt roads that people use for access, but they are not public right-of-ways. It was discussed that the TSP would provide guidance for the collector and arterial streets, but the City of La Pine's individual codes would govern the local streets to promote flexibility.

The need for a downtown bus stop for Cascades East Transit was discussed. As well as the feasibility of the Park and Ride once the Wickiup Junction Overpass is completed. Linda Johnston stated that she would like to assure that the new bus stop has adequate parking provided there.

Ken Mulenex stated that he did not feel that the people of La Pine are disturbed by the lack of connectivity. He stated that people in this area do not want sidewalks. City Manager Hasson mentioned the need for sidewalks and that it is very important. He said that by providing sidewalks throughout a city minimizes the risk as well as assures safety, especially for elderly residents.

Creating a Freight Road that would run on the east side of the La Pine Waste Water Treatment Plant was discussed. Scott Perkins stated that he did not think that there was enough room to build a road between the treatment plant and the rail road tracks.

In conclusion Mr. Bessman asked that the committee provide their comments on the maps and packets provided to either the City Manager or to him by March 1, 2013. He also asked for input on venues and timelines for the "town hall" type presentation in March.

6. Discussion concerning public work priorities for the 2013/2014 budget year

City Manager Hasson provided the committee with pictures as well as a priority list; of which he asked the members to choose their 10 top priorities.

Chairman Weller stated that he thinks that Finley Butte is a very dangerous road to walk on due to the lack of sidewalks.

Mr. Hasson spoke about the sidewalks on Huntington between Bi-Mart and the Senior Center. Mr. Ward stated that he would like to see that sidewalk landscaped like the one in front of Bi-Mart. There was also a discussion about the quality of the already existing sidewalks. He also talked about the water accumulation on 3rd street as well as in front of the post office. Mayor Mulenex stated that there are a lot of grants for these types of street repairs.

There was a discussion about the signs that represent La Pine. Most of the signage is incorrect, with incorrect mileage distances. Most of the signage is hidden and not very visible.

Emergency planning was discussed. Mr. Sawders stated that there are emergency planning meetings each month at the ODOT building.

Mr. Ward complimented Chris Marko on the nice presentation that he put together for the committee.

7. Ed Carpenter's resignation

Ed Carpenters resignation was discussed. Mr. Carpenter was a member that lived within the City of La Pine, thus his replacement must be a City Resident. Linda Johnston wanted to know if we were

advertising for the position yet, the answer was no. There was discussion about whether the member had to live within the City or not. The member does have to live within the City. Mr. Ward provided some history about why these committees were set up this way.

8. Other Issues/Concerns

None.

9. Public Comments

None.

10. Staff General Comments

None.

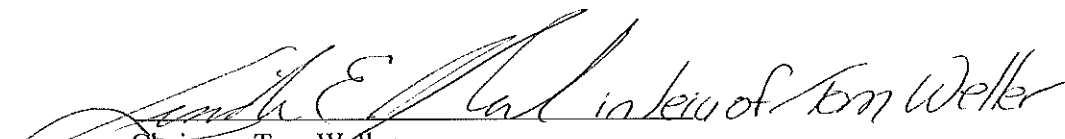
11. Committee Member General Comments

Mr. Ward wanted to know what the Handyperson would be doing. City Manager Hasson stated that the Handyperson would be assisting him with the things that he needs help with as well as providing code enforcement for the City of La Pine.

Mr. Ward wanted to know what will happen with the hay field once the new plant is built. Mr. Perkins said that there are not any environmental constraints that he is aware of associated with this property. There was a suggestion to make the hay field into an airstrip. There was discussion about the airstrip possibilities that have been discussed in the past.

12. Adjourn

Bill Sawders made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Doug Ward. Motion carried unanimously.


Chairman Tom Weller

Attest:


Finance Officer/City Recorder Lori Martin