

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF AMITY, OR

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the City of Amity City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present:

Councilor Melissa Bojorquez, Councilor Acie Dunlap, Councilor April Dyche, Councilor Cody Goings, Councilor Sandy McArthur, Councilor Denis Saucier (late) and Mayor Rachel King

Councilors Present via Zoom

None

Councilors Absent

None

Staff Present

City Attorney Bill Monahan, City Administrator Mike Thomas, and City Recorder Natasha Johnson

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilor Dyche moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor McArthur seconded and with no discussion motion passed 6-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

A. Yamhill County Sheriff's Report: Sgt High updated Council on the calls they handled last month. Deputy High asked if Council has noticed a difference with the new speed limit. Council responded they have. He also updated Council that they will be doing more crosswalk stings if there are funds available.

Deputy Rodriguez went over some calls that he did this last month. Mayor King asked how the YSCO can field concerns from citizens. Deputy High recommended Council to direct them to their office by using either 911 or the Non-Emergency Line.

Administrator Thomas updated Council regarding some outstanding calls one of the deputies has been handling. There were no further comments or questions for YCSO.

B. DIG Report: Erin Rainey updated Council regarding the DIG banners. She let Council know there would be no meetings in the next couple of months. She let Council know they are also working on refurbishing the hanging baskets for upcoming display. Mayor King asked if she could be notified when the next meeting is. Councilor Goings asked regarding the high school senior banners. Erin said she would check with the school. There were no further comments or questions for DIG.

C. Citizen Comments: Citizen M. Jackson wanted to praise the YCSO for being around patrolling the city and she appreciates them. She suggested posting YCSO deputies schedule in the Newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor King closed public hearing and read executive session script.

Council met in Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

Mayor King opened public hearing back up.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Approve Ordinance 674 Issuance of Revenue Bond: Administrator Thomas went over background regarding Ordinance 674. This Ordinance approves up to \$9 million in funding. Councilor Dyche moved to approve and adopt Ordinance 674, an Ordinance of the City of Amity, authorizing the issuance of a revenue bond to finance improvements to the city's water system. Councilor McArthur seconded. With no discussion motion passed 6-0.

B. Approve Yamhill County Sheriff's Contract: Administrator Thomas provided the background on the YCSO Contract. Councilor Bojorquez sought clarification regarding Section 4 and Section 9 in the contract. Administrator Thomas explained what each section means. Mayor King stated that nothing changed in the contract besides increase in cost. Councilor Bojorquez moved to approve and accept the new contract with the Yamhill County Sheriff's Office and allow the mayor to sign for the city. Councilor Dyche seconded motion and with no discussion motion passed 6-0.

C. Radar Sign Update: Administrator Thomas went over the City's history regarding radar signs. He let Council know the cost will be around \$13,000. He laid out the different options. Councilor Bojorquez asked if there is a potential of the sign being stolen. Administrator Thomas stated, yes, the sign could be stolen and shouldn't be left unattended or overnight. Mayor King let Council know that City of Carlton uses them and offered to let us look at them. Councilor Goings asked if they are crash rated. Administrator Thomas let him know he would find out and get back to Council. Mayor King asked Administrator to investigate the sign further and report back to council with the cost and options.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Administrator Report: City Administrator Thomas submitted his report and thanked City Staff for all their hard work in April. He updated Council regarding Tort Claim and that CIS offered \$8,500 and the cost would be paid by insurance and our rates wouldn't go up too much. Administrator Thomas will let Council know if/when the offer is accepted.

He updated Council about upcoming Ordinances that he will bringing to Council for votes. He also stated

that the modifications for the streetlights, the “hats,” on Trade will be being installed in the next few months. There were no further comments or questions for the City Administrator.

City Recorder/Treasurer Report: Recorder Johnson submitted her report and thanked Councilor Bojorquez for helping with Shred Day Event and updated council on Shred Day’s results. And she added a reminder regarding the community’s upcoming shred day. There were no comments or questions for the City Recorder.

Public Works Report: Superintendent Mathis submitted his report and was not present at the meeting. There were no further comments or questions for Public Works.

Library Report: Librarian Jenkins submitted her report late and was not present at the meeting. There were no comments or questions for the library.

City Engineer Billing Report: Billing report submitted. There were no comments or questions regarding billing.

City Attorney/Planner Billing Report: Billing report submitted and there were no comments or questions regarding billing.

BUSINESS FROM THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCILORS:

Councilor President April Dyche Comments: Councilor Dyche had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Dyche.

Councilor Sandy McArthur Comments: Councilor McArthur had nothing to report. There were no further comments for Councilor McArthur.

Councilor Goings Comments: Councilor Goings had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Goings.

Councilor Bojorquez comments: Councilor Bojorquez had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Bojorquez.

Councilor Dunlap Comments: Councilor Dunlap had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Dunlap.

Councilor Saucier Comments: Councilor Saucier had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Saucier.

Mayor King Comments: Mayor King had nothing to report. There were no comments for Mayor King.

Councilor Bojorquez moved to adjourn meeting at 8:45 pm. Councilor Dyche seconded and without further discussion motion passed 6-0.

Approved by City June 1, 2022

Rachel King, Mayor

Attest:

Natasha Johnson, City Recorder