

**WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF AMITY, OR**

Minutes

Work Session of the City of Amity City Council was held at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 29, 2022 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present

Councilor Sandy McArthur, Councilor April Dyche and Mayor Rachel King.

Councilors Absent

Councilor Robert Andrade and Councilor Cody Goings

Staff Present

City Administrator Michael Thomas, City Treasurer/Recorder Natasha Johnson

SURVEY RESULTS:

City Council, and City Staff reviewed the results from the 2022 Resident Survey. They discussed addressing complaints and editing the form. Possibly having a suggestion/complaint box. Add in the Amity Newsletter blurb regarding complaints and steps for that, post about new billing options and update on Online NW Progress. Council suggested having an Instagram page and posting meetings to YouTube. The main topics of discussion were street repairs, water quality and code enforcement.

UPDATE COUNCIL GOALS:

The Council made changes to the current goals. The new goals are:

Infrastructure:

Goal 1) Water Infrastructure improvements:

- Finish the on-going water system improvements project by 2024
- Complete 8" Loop on Goucher by 2024
- Replace 8" Transmission Pipe to Reservoir by 2024

Goal 2) Sewer Infrastructure improvements:

- Complete the sewer rate study by June 2023
- Complete the Wastewater Facilities Plan by December 2022

Goal 3) Streets, Sidewalk's improvements & Storm Drainage:

- Educate the public on their responsibilities regarding sidewalks and ditches
- Continue to fill potholes throughout town
- Work with staff to setup schedule to maintain storm drainage & ditches
- Secure grant funding to accomplish road paving and sidewalk repair in 2022 & 2023

Community Engagement:

Goal 1) Improve community outreach

- Utilize the Newsletter more
- Make improvements to City website and Social media by June 2023
 - Establish Instagram, place meetings to YouTube
- Continue to host twice yearly Town Hall Meetings
- Install a Community Suggestion Box

Goal 2) Involve Community to plan an Amity Day

Public Safety:

Goal 1) Future Law Enforcement Funding

- Pay for YCSO services
- Negotiate YCSO contract

Goal 2) Engage with partners to establish funding options regarding public safety

Goal 3) Provide information, education & enforcement involving health and safety codes and community concerns

Parks:

Goal 1) Establish dog waste stations throughout town

Goal 2) Replace bark chips in Park Playground by June 2023

Goal 3) Work with local and regional partners to add / create new park spaces in Amity in the next 3-5 years

City Services:

Goal 1) Improve Library

- Within 3-5 years complete renovation, rebuilding, or expansion of our Library

Goal 2) Address Community regarding City operations and utilities

POINT OF CONTACT ASSIGNMENTS:

Council decided to wait on assigning Point of Contact assignments until there is a full Council. The list of Point of Contact assignments as of January 29, 2022:

Finance: Main contact is April Dyche, and second contact is Rachel King.

Infrastructure: Main contact is Cody Goings, and second contact is Rachel King.

Community Engagement: Main contact is April Dyche, and second contact none.

Public Safety: Main contact is April Dyche, and second contact is Napua Rich.

Parks: Main contact is Robert Andrade, and second contact is Sandy McArthur.

City Services: Main contact is Sandy McArthur, and second contact is none.

Mayor King adjourned the work session.

Approved by City Council March 2, 2022

Rachel King, Mayor

Attest:

Natasha Johnson, City Recorder