

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, October 6, 2021, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present:

Councilor Napua Ann Rich, Councilor Cody Goings and Mayor Rachel King

Councilors Present via Zoom

Councilor Robert Andrade, Councilor Sandy McArthur and Councilor April Dyche

Councilors Absent

None

Staff Present

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilor Rich moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction of the Work Session minutes changing from Interim Mayor Rachel King to Mayor Rachel King. Councilor Goings seconded and with no discussion motion passed 5-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

A. Yamhill County Sheriff's Report: YCSO submitted crime stats and was present at the meeting. Deputy Rodriguez updated Council on the different cases they have been handling this last month. Councilor Rich asked regarding if the City's park cameras picked up the vandalism incident. City Administrator Thomas stated that YCSO is still reviewing the videos. Mayor King thanked YCSO for the presence at the schools during drop off and pick up times. There were no further comments or questions for the YCSO.

B. DIG Report: Eve Silverman with DIG updated Council regarding upcoming Daffodil Festival. They still aren't sure what that will look like this year but hoping to have something. She also updated Council regarding Tree Lighting ceremony and that the event will be similar to last year's. Mayor King let Eve know if need volunteers to let the city know. Councilor Goings let her know we can post on Facebook. There were no further comments or questions for DIG.

C. Citizen Comments: There were none

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Approval of Ordinance 672: Tampering with Water Meters: City Administrator Thomas conducted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 672 with the requested revisions. Councilor Rich made motion to approve Ordinance 672 prohibiting the tampering of city water meters and imposing a fine for doing so. Councilor Goings seconded motion and with no discussion motion passed 6-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Council President King closed public hearing and read executive session script.

Council met in Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2)(h) to consult with legal counsel regarding a privileged record, pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h).

Council President King opened public hearing back up.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Sign Contract for Temporary Attorney Services City Administrator Thomas went over the background regarding approving the need for the contract for representation regarding a Municipal Court appeal. Councilor Rich moved to allow Mayor King to sign the contract for Temporary Attorney Services with McMinnville Prosecutor Shannon Lee Erskine. Councilor Goings seconded motion and with no further discussion motion passed 5-0

B. Update Check and Deposit Box Signers: Mayor King asked to table this agenda item to next month's council meeting. Councilor Rich made motion to table this Agenda item to next month's Council meeting. Councilor Goings seconded motion and with no discussion the agenda item was tabled 5-0.

C. Update to Council Rules: Mayor King went over background regarding the need to update the Council Rules. Councilor Rich asked about when the Council decided to not have Committees to update the Rules. Mayor King explained that it was deemed not necessary at the time, and she feels needs to be updated to reflect the changes. Mayor King went over the clarifications of the update in the Council Rules. Councilor Rich made motion to direct staff to revise and update Council Rules. Councilor Goings seconded. Councilor Rich explained that she is happy with how things are but would like more involvement with the community once COVID isn't an issue. Mayor King stated she agrees with Councilor Rich. With no further discussion motion passed 5-0.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

City Administrator Report: City Administrator Thomas submitted his report and had nothing to report. There were no comments for the City Administrator.

City Recorder/Treasurer Report: City Recorder Johnson submitted her report and added a reminder to Council regarding the upcoming Pumpkin Event on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. There were no comments for City Recorder.

Public Works Report: Superintendent Mathis submitted his and was not present at the meeting and nothing to add. City Administrator added that PW is working with YCSO regarding the graffiti at the park. Councilor Rich asked for an update regarding Elk Mountain and completing the work. City Administrator Thomas gave Council update regarding Elk Mountain and their work finishing to finish the reservoir. Councilor Rich asked for an update on Ms. Ruiz.

Administrator Thomas replied that our engagement with Ms. Ruiz regards property rights, and it has been resolved. Councilor Rich thanked staff for replacing the meters quickly. There were no further comments for Public Works.

Library Report: Librarian Jenkins submitted her report and was not present at the meeting. Mayor King added that the library will be handing out books at the pumpkin event. There were no further comments for the library.

City Engineer Billing Report: Billing report submitted and there were no comments.

City Attorney/Planner Billing Report: Billing report submitted, and Mayor King added that she asked the City Planner to give an overview of all the work regarding Planning over the last year. Planner Holly Byram submitted a yearly report. Mayor King thanked City Planner Byram for her professionalism and quality work for the City. There were no further comments.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCILORS:**

Mayor's Comments: Mayor King submitted her report and added a reminder to Council to submit their reports to City Recorder Tasha Johnson by the Friday after Work Session.

Mayor King also added an update regarding a concern citizen that came to Council back in March regarding the speed limits in Amity. ODOT did a study and all the speed in city limits will drop to 20 - 25 mph within the next 3-6 months. Mayor King asked City staff to start getting the word out regarding the change into the new speed limits.

Mayor King updated Council regarding a conversation Administrator Thomas, and she had with Congresswoman Bonamici and she was able to update her on Amity's numerous infrastructure projects. She also updated Council that with the new redistricting that Amity will be getting new representation. There were no further comments.

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

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

Councilor President Napua Ann Rich Comments: Councilor Rich submitted her report and had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Rich.

Councilor Dyche Comments: Councilor Dyche did not submit report and added that Trunk or Treat will be happening this year. There were no comments for Councilor Dyche.

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

Councilor Rich moved to adjourn meeting at 8:45 pm. Councilor Andrade seconded and without further discussion motion passed 5-0.

**Approved by City November 3, 2021**

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Rachel King, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Natasha Johnson, City Recorder