

WORK SESSION MEETING  
CITY OF AMITY, OR

Minutes

A Work Session Meeting was held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday June 28, 2023, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present

Councilor Sandy McArthur, Councilor Melissa Bojorquez, Councilor April Dyche, Councilor Caleb Shields and Mayor Rachel King.

Councilors Present via Zoom

None

Councilors Absent

Councilor Alice Thompson

Staff Present

City Administrator Nathan Frarck, City Treasurer/Recorder Natasha Johnson, and Interim Administrator Rob Daykin

**1. CITIZEN COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

There were none.

**2. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:**

- a. Ordinance 681: Mayor King thanked Councilor Bojorquez for all her time going through City Ordinances. She went over the background regarding Ordinance 681. Interim Daykin went over the process if Ordinance 681 is approved unanimous and when would Council like to see updated paper copy of Ordinance book. Mayor King explained it is sent out annually. She asked regarding the spelling and grammar errors in the current code book. Interim Daykin explained code codifier can update. The council are all ok with waiting until they send it annually and can print the changes.

Councilor Bojorquez wants to make sure the city is in compliance with the state. Mayor King explained that a lot of other cities have been more restrictive, and some smaller cities are choosing to not do anything just waiting. City of Amity decided to be in the middle.

Interim Daykin explained further with allowing camping in the city park in more detail and allowed during the park hours and the campsites cannot be within 100 feet of

facilities.

Mayor King explained further regarding the stipulations and the need to be reasonable.

Councilor Shields asked regarding the 120 cubic feet of space stipulation and how would you measure it. Mayor King explained would be up to the officer's discretion. She explained the council can make amendments. Mayor King explained that she and Councilor Bojorquez are going to come up with a flyer for officers to hand out to individuals that are in a crisis. She explained they will be having a meeting with YSCO deputies regarding stipulations. Councilor Shields asked regarding what happens when the area fills up. Councilor MacArthur asked if addressed RV camping. Mayor King explained the enforcement would be through the city's traffic code. Mayor King explained to the council that the city will have to work with people to stay compliant, but our Ordinance will be upheld. She explained that she is not sure what happens when fill up but have to accommodate individuals in some way. She explained down the road there could be changes with the HB. The city can always change the ordinance down the road. Councilor Dyche explained things can be addressed if becomes an issue.

Councilor Bojorquez moved to adopt Ordinance No, 681, an ordinance relating to the regulation of camping on public property, and amending the Amity Municipal Code, and declaring an emergency. Councilor Dyche seconded and with no discussion motion passed unanimously at 5-0.

- b. **Check Signers:** Mayor King went over background regarding updating check signers. Councilor Bojorquez moved to update the list of authorized check signers on the City of Amity's First Federal checking account to include Mayor Rachel King, council President/Finance Committee Chair April Dyche, City Administrator Nathan Frarck and City Recorder/Treasurer Natasha Johnson, contingent on passing the banks' credit check and remove any and all others.

In addition, update safety deposit box signers to include Mayor Rachel King, City Recorder/Treasurer Natasha Johnson and City Administrator Nathan Frarck contingent on passing a banks credit check and remove and all other. Councilor Dyche seconded and with no discussion motion passed 4-0.

### 3. OPEN FORUM & DISCUSSION FROM THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCILORS:

- a. Mayor Comments – Mayor King updated council regarding SCA project on Rice Ln and potential possibility of moving the project to the North side. She updated

the council that City Clerk Chrissy W. last day will be July 7 and interviewed today for position.

She will be attending a broadband seminar for the state. The state has received around 900 million in funds to help expand broadband. She explained that in city limits the city there is not a great need, but the rural community needs local advocacy. Councilor Bojorquez mentioned it in the city survey and there is an apparent need. There were no further comments.

- b. Finance – Councilor Dyche had nothing to report. There were no comments.
- c. Infrastructure – Councilors McArthur & Shields – Councilor McArthur had nothing to report. There were no comments.
- d. Community Engagement – Councilors Bojorquez & Thompson – Councilor Bojorquez updated council regarding volunteer app and where it stands as of now. Mayor King went over the next steps regarding this. There were no further comments.
- e. Public Safety – Councilor Dyche reminded council regarding pancake breakfast on July 23. There were no comments.
- f. Parks – Councilor Thompson was not at the meeting. There were no comments.
- g. City Services – Councilors Shields & McArthur – Councilor Shields had nothing to report. There were no comments.

Interim Daykin thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve Amity as the Interim. Mayor King thanked him and appreciated all his knowledge and experience.

Recorder Johnson mentioned will be gone 19<sup>th</sup> and if they want to reschedule work session. The council all agreed to move the meeting to Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Mayor King adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

**Approved by City Council July 5, 2023**

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Rachel King, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Natasha Johnson, City Recorder