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City Council - REGULAR Session Meeting
Monday, December 7, 2015 North Plains Senior Center 7:00 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor David Hatcher; Council President Teri Lenahan; Councilors: Robert Kindel, Jr., Sandi King, Charlynn Newton, Sherrie Simmons, Scott Whitehead

STAFF PRESENT: Director of Public Works/City Manager Blake Boyles; Chief of Police Bill Snyder; City Recorder Margaret Reh

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hatcher called the Regular Session of the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hatcher led the Council in the flag salute.

3 CONSENT AGENDA:

a) Approval of regular session agenda

b) Approval of minutes of 11/16/2015 Council meeting.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Moved by Councilor Lenahan. Second by Councilor Simmons. Motion was approved unanimously.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilor Newton asked that the Council might share a moment of silence in honor of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Aaron Riding, 10065 NW 307th Avenue, North Plains, Oregon, addressed the Council regarding the high water at the subdivision project referred to as McKay Creek Crossing. Riding had spoken to this issue during the design review process. He provided photos of the area. Council asked Boyles to look into the issue.

5 PRESENTATION

Proclamation declaring Thursday, December 10, 2015 as Human Rights Day and December 7-13, 2015 Human Rights Week: Peg Pfab

Peg Pfab, Secretary of the Human Rights Council of Washington County, gave a brief history of the Human Rights Council and a synopsis of what they have been doing in the past year. Pfab thanked the Council for their support in promoting human rights in our communities.

Motion by Lenahan, second by Simmons to approve a proclamation declaring December 10, 2015 as Human Rights Day and the week of December 7-13, 2015 as Human Rights Week. Discussion ensued. Councilor Kindel stated he was not able to support this because the proclamation does not support the rights of the unborn. The motion was approved with a 6/1 split, with Kindel voting against.

was approved unanimously.

Motion to designate Planning Commissioner Stewart King as the designated signatory on the recorded plat documents for McKay Creek Crossing subdivision. Moved by Councilor Lenahan. Second by Councilor Simmons. Motion was approved unanimously.

c) FY 2015-16 Budget Update as of November 25, 2015

Finance Manager Rachael Lembo presented the staff report. This is the second budget update for the Council for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year. Lembo walked the Council through each fund and answered the clarifying questions of the Council.

A brief discussion ensured regarding the increase in expenses for street lights and perhaps implementing a gas tax to help pay for this street expense. Staff is looking into hiring a consultant to help determine how much of a gas tax we may need to cover costs of capital projects, repair and maintenance projects as well as cover the costs for street lights. Boyles stated we will bring this before Council as an agenda item.

d) Update on Recology and the possibility of receiving residential food waste from Forest Grove in the future.

Ame LeCocq and Nick Olheiser of Recology introduced themselves to Council and opened a discussion regarding the proposal of receiving residential food waste from the city of Forest Grove. Discussion ensued. There was a discrepancy regarding what some Council members had heard regarding what the increase in truck traffic with this additional food waste would be. Olheiser will get back to staff regarding this.

e) Review of the results from the Police Department survey

Snyder gave a brief history of how the survey was conducted. Cadet Dan Buckley compiled the information into the reports that were submitted to the Council. Hatcher asked Snyder what would be changed as a result of this survey. Snyder observed that citizens are happy to have the police in town as opposed to on the freeway. Also that following up on cases and running them to the end are important to citizens. A brief discussion ensued.

Herb Hirst, 31817 NW Lenox Street, appeared before the Council to share his support for the current police department and stated he has heard many favorable comments for the Chief and the department. He stated that when a survey is conducted, such as the one just completed by the police department, you will get a varying degree of responses no matter who the Chief may be.

f) Technical Assistance Grant Award

A copy of the letter stating the City received a $20,000 Technical Assistance grant was included in the Council agenda packet.

9 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a) Comprehensive Plan Discussion: Finalize 2035 Vision; Initial 2016 implementation of

12 COUNCIL REPORTS

Hatcher reviewed the council calendar with the group. Lenahan had a conflict with two meetings being scheduled on one night. The Parks Board is working on the Open Space revision project so Lenahan felt it was important to attend that meeting. Kindel agreed to attend the Library Board meeting.

Council will have their annual Christmas party on December 21, 2015. The party will take place at the close of the Council meeting.

13 ADVICE/INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Christmas Holiday, Friday, December 25-City offices and Library closed
- New Years' Day Holiday, Friday, January 1, 2016-City offices and Library closed
- North Plains Annual Crab Feed on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Jessie Mays

14 Executive Session

Adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(i) regarding employee performance evaluations

a) Executive Session

Mayor Hatcher adjourned into Executive Session at 9:03 in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(i) to discuss the employee performance evaluation of the City Manager.

15 ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Hatcher adjourned the Executive Session at 10:35 p.m. The City Recorder was not present for the section of the meeting between the adjournment of the Executive Session and the adjournment of the Regular Session of the City Council at 10:37 p.m. No minutes were recorded during that time.

David Hatcher, Mayor

Margaret L. Reh, City Recorder

Date Approved 12/21/2015