

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF
OCTOBER 25, 2010
5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
313 COURT STREET
THE DALLES, OREGON

PRESIDING: Mayor Jim Wilcox

COUNCIL PRESENT: Bill Dick, Carolyn Wood, Dan Spatz, Brian Ahier, Tim McGlothlin

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Nolan Young, City Attorney Gene Parker, City Clerk Julie Krueger, Associate Planner Dawn Hert, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Finance Director Kate Mast, Librarian Sheila Dooley, Community Development Director Dan Durow, Engineer Dale McCabe, Police Sergeant Jeff Keinlen

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk Krueger; all Councilors present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Wilcox invited the audience to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Wood and seconded by Dick to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Wilcox presented a Certificate of Recognition to John Baker for his volunteer work in teaching hand gun safety classes in the community.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Young reported that staff was looking at options for projects that could be used to apply for Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) grant funding for alternate forms of transportation.

Young said staff would be bringing options for Council consideration regarding the appointment of a Municipal Judge pro-tem.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Parker reported he had been working on Request for Proposal documents for the QLife Wi-Fi and Granada projects.

Parker said he had received a rate increase request from The Dalles Disposal and would bring it for Council consideration in November.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Ahier reported he had attended the QLife Agency meeting last month and that the Wi-Fi contract should be executed by the end of the year. Ahier said he had attended the Oregon Connections conference in Hood River last week and said QLife had been spotlighted for helping with economic development. He said City Manager Young was held in high regard for his work with QLife.

Councilor Spatz said he had attended the Mid Columbia Economic Development District (MCEDD) annual strategic planning session recently. He emphasized the three core services of MCEDD were business assistance, regional coordination, and technical assistance. He said goals were developed for each of the core services, noting the goals as follows: regional coordination: 1) greater engagement of private sector; 2) increase tribal participation; 3) workforce education/SBDC. Technical assistance: 1) advocacy in education; 2) expand grant writing; 3) develop Innovation Partnership Zone. Business services: 1) develop capacity in business assistance/services/education; 2) increase revolving loan fund; 3) regionalize workforce development funding.

Councilor McGlothlin reported he had attended the October 20, 2010 Traffic Safety Commission and two primary issues were discussed. He said the issue of a cross walk at the top of Brewery Grade was tabled for further study. McGlothlin said the issue of a reduced speed zone on West 10th Street between Cherry Heights Road and Webber Street was discussed and based on the information presented regarding density and development in the area, the Commission recommended the speed limit be reduced from 35 miles per hour to 25 in the one block area.

Councilor Dick said he had not been able to attend the recent Urban Renewal Advisory Committee meeting. He congratulated Community Development Director Durow for the complimentary article in the newspaper.

Councilor Wood said the Historic Landmarks Commission meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, October 27th.

Mayor Wilcox reported he had attended a Sister City Association Meeting and learned that over 30 delegates from Myoshi City would be coming to The Dalles for a visit December 15 through 19. He said most of the delegation would be middle school aged children and encouraged people to sign up to host delegates.

Councilor Spatz reminded the Council that letters were in the process of being sent to our local schools to invite The Dalles students to apply to make a visitation to Myoshi City next summer.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Wood to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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Items approved by Consent Agenda were: 1) approval of October 11, 2010 regular City Council meeting minutes; and 2) approval to declare discarded library books as surplus property.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing to Receive Testimony Regarding Proposed Sign Code District of Special Control for Lone Pine Village

Mayor Wilcox reviewed the procedures to be followed for the public hearing.

Associate Planner Hert reviewed the staff report.

Mayor Wilcox asked who would be responsible for compliance within the Special District. Associate Planner Hert said permits would be approved by the City, but that Icon Holdings would have to approve the request before the application was submitted to the City for approval.

Testimony

Hearing no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

Special Ordinance No. 10-538 Approving a District of Special Control for Signage at the Lone Pine Village

City Clerk Krueger read Special Ordinance No. 10-538 by title.

It was moved by Wood and seconded by McGlothlin to adopt Special Ordinance No. 10-538 approving a District of Special Control for signage at the Lone Pine Village, by title. The motion carried; Ahier abstaining.

CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD ACTIONS

Award contract for 2011 Sanitary Sewer CIPP Lining Project

Engineer Dale McCabe reviewed the staff report.

It was moved by Ahier and seconded by Spatz to authorize the City Manager to enter into contract with Michels Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$197,279 for the 2011 sanitary sewer CIPP lining project. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

General Ordinance No. 10-1308 Amending Sections 8 and 9 of General Ordinance No. 950, Eliminating Petitions for Waiver of Penalties, and Redefining the Delinquent Date of Transient Room Taxes Due

Finance Director Mast reviewed the staff report. She noted that staff had provided a copy of the agenda to all the lodging operators and she had not received any comments from them prior to the meeting.

Mayor Wilcox asked if lodging operators would have any trouble collecting taxes from credit card sales in the allotted time frame. Finance Director Mast said she couldn't respond to that question but believed the proposed language was in line with the City's fuel tax ordinance.

City Clerk Krueger read General Ordinance No. 10-1308 by title.

It was moved by Dick and seconded by Wood to adopt General Ordinance No. 10-1308 amending Sections 8 and 9 of General Ordinance No. 950, eliminating petitions for waiver of penalties and redefining the delinquent date of transient room taxes due, by title. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 10-023 Adopting the Amended Identity Theft Program and Procedures to Comply With Federal Regulations and Laws Relating to Utility Billing; and Repealing Resolution No. 08-034

Finance Director Mast reviewed the staff report. She said it was important to be able to provide good customer service while remaining in compliance with the law. Mast said the proposed amendment to the policy would allow staff a little flexibility regarding the requirement to present photo identification in person, for people who could not make it in to the office during business hours.

Councilor Spatz noted pages two and three of the Resolution should state applicants in the plural, not applicant, as currently written.

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Ahier to adopt Resolution No. 10-023 adopting the amended Identity Theft Program and procedures to comply with federal regulations and laws relating to utility billing; and repealing Resolution No. 08-034. The motion carried unanimously.

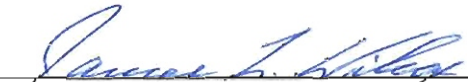
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ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Submitted by/
Julie Krueger, MMC
City Clerk

SIGNED:


James L. Wilcox, Mayor

ATTEST:


Julie Krueger, MMC, City Clerk