

MINUTES OF THE NEWBERG CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2005
7:00 P.M. MEETING
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING - TRAINING ROOM

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Stewart called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:	Mayor Bob Stewart	Mike McBride
	Council President Bob Andrews	Mike Boyes
	Roger Currier	Dawn Nelson
	Robert Soppe	

Absent: None

Staff Present: James Bennett, City Manager
Terrence Mahr, City Attorney
Leah Griffith, Library Director
David Beam, Economic Development Coordinator
Kathleen Bochart, Recording Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

IV. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

James Bennett, City Manager submitted a request from the Leadership Youth Program for the Council to consider appointing a non-voting student to the City Planning Commission to provide students with an opportunity to experience local government leadership. The Council expressed interest in the idea and directed the staff to follow up with the Leadership Youth Program.

PUBLIC MEETING SECTION

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consider approving a Proclamation declaring July 28-31 as Old Fashioned Festival Week in the City of Newberg.

Becky Green introduced the Old Fashioned Festival Court and each member of the Court briefly addressed the Council. Mayor Stewart presented the proclamation declaring Old Fashioned Festival Week to the Court.

2. Consider approval of City Council Regular Session Minutes for June 6, 2005.

MOTION: Boyes/Currier to approve the Consent Calendar (4 Yes/ 2 No [Soppe, Andrews])
Motion carried.

The minutes were corrected to show that the correct vote on the appointment to the City Council should read: Dawn Nelson – 4; Gerald Stewart – 0; Charles Zickefoose – 1.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

BUSINESS MEETING SECTION

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approving a motion to fill a Newberg Library Board vacancy with Nick Tri.

Ms. Leah Griffith, Library Director requested the appointment of Nick Tri to the Newberg Library Board for a position expiring June 30, 2009. Mr. Tri currently serves on the Library Board and was the only applicant. Mr. Tri was not present at the meeting.

MOTION: Currier/Andrews to appoint Nick Tri to the Newberg Library Board for a position expiring on June 30, 2009. (Unanimous) Motion carried.

2. Consider a motion to fill a Newberg Planning Commission vacancy with the most qualified applicant.

Trisha Clark
Sharon Freeman
Jon A. Holt
Rick Rogers
Cathy A. Stuhr
Charles (Chuck) Zickefoose

Mayor Stewart invited each of the candidates present to address the City Council on their qualifications and desire to serve on the City Planning Commission. Rick Rogers was not present at the meeting. Each member of the City Council was then invited to ask questions of the candidates. Charles Zickefoose asked that his name be withdrawn from consideration in favor of one of the other candidates. Following the individual presentations and the question and answer period, Mayor Stewart asked for nominations from the City Council. Councilor McBride nominated Jon A. Holt. Councilor Currier nominated Trisha Clark. Councilor Soppe nominated Cathy Stuhr.

Mayor Stewart called for the vote on each candidate. The results were:

Jon A. Holt (1)
Trisha Clark (2)
Cathy Stuhr (3)

Mayor Stewart announced that Cathy Stuhr was appointed to the City Planning Commission.

3. Consider a motion to approve a request for a building permit fee waiver to construct a bus shelter as part of the Eagle Scout project.

David Beam, Economic Development Coordinator presented a request from Jeffrey Hunter for the waiver of the building permit fee in the amount of \$38.87 for construction of a bus shelter as part of an Eagle Scout project. Staff recommended approval of the waiver.

Councilor Soppe asked Mr. Hunter if he had secured the permission of the property owner for his project. Mr. Hunter indicated that he had.

Councilor Andrews asked Mr. Beam if the City had any grant money that could be used to pay the fee. Mr. Beam replied that there were presently no grant funds available for this purpose.

Councilor McBride asked Mr. Hunter what the cost of the project would be. Mr. Hunter replied that he estimated the cost at \$2000 to \$3000.

Councilor Soppe voiced his reservations about supporting the request because the project would be located on private property.

Councilor McBride felt that the Council should be supportive of the effort that Mr. Hunter was putting into his Eagle Scout project.

Councilor Currier was also supportive of the request and added that the City should set aside money on a regular basis for this kind of request.

Councilor Andrews asked if the fee had to be paid immediately. Mr. Bennett replied that the building permit fee is required to be paid at the time the permit is issued. Councilor Andrews went on to suggest that Mr. Hunter contact the service clubs for donations that would take care of the fee. He was hesitant to waive the fee, but wanted to help Mr. Hunter accomplish his goal.

Councilor Boyes asked Mr. Hunter if he had already applied for his building permit. Mr. Hunter replied that he had and that the permit was ready to be issued.

MOTION: Currier/Nelson to approve the waiver of the building permit fees for Jeffrey Hunter in the amount of \$38.87 for the construction of a bus shelter (4 Yes/ 2 No [Soppe, Andrews]) Motion carried.

4. Consider a motion to approve a request for a fee waiver for removal of historic designation on property located at 1200 S. Springbrook Road.

David Beam, Economic Development Coordinator, presented a request from Patricia H. Maze for the waiver of the fee in the amount of \$1,410 for the removal of the historic designation on property that she owns at 1200 S. Springbrook Road. Ms. Maze was not present at the meeting. The house on the property is presently the oldest house in the City's historic inventory. A hearing on the removal of the historic designation was scheduled before NUAMC on July 27, 2005. Staff recommended that the City Council deny the fee waiver request.

The City Council held discussion on the request and noted that the applicant could apply for demolition of the house if it was determined to be an unsafe or dangerous building.

MOTION: McBride/Currier to deny the request for a fee waiver in the amount of \$1,410 by Patricia H. Maze for removal of historic designation on property located at 1200 S. Springbrook Road. (Unanimous) Motion passed.

IX. CONTINUED BUSINESS

None.

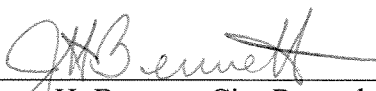
X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) relating to a Real Property Transaction.
Newberg Animal Shelter Friends
2. Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) relating to Labor Negotiations.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: McBride/Currier to adjourn the July 5, 2005 City Council meeting at 9:25 pm.

ADOPTED by the Newberg City Council this 1st day of August, 2005.


James H. Bennett, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Council President this 4th day of August, 2005.


Bob Andrews, Council President