

**CITY OF NEWBERG COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008
7:00 P.M. MEETING
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING TRAINING ROOM
401 EAST THIRD STREET**

Work Session was held prior to this meeting. A discussion occurred about non-conforming signs. No decisions were made.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Members

Present:	Mayor Bob Andrews	Mike Boyes	Roger Currier	Bob Larson
	Bart Rierson	Marc Shelton		

Staff

Present:	Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director	Daniel J. Danicic, City Manager
	Howard Hamilton, Public Works Director	Terrence Mahr, City Attorney
	Tabrina McPherson, Department Support Manager	Jennifer Nelson, Recording Secretary

Others

Present: Kathy George

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

IV. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Daniel J. Danicic, City Manager, offered information on the Chehalem Valley Future Focus Joint Dinner Meeting (see handout in official meeting packet for full report). He noted on September 8th the local Head Start is having an open house from 1-3:00 PM and the Yamhill County Visitor Association is having a meeting from 6-8:00 PM. He stated he would be out of the office on this Friday and next week for a conference on water re-development from Tuesday to Thursday.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Kathy George, Yamhill County Commissioner, discussed homelessness and local efforts being made to end homelessness in the area within a 10 year plan. She spoke of various committees being formed to accomplish this task and offered a handout with information about an involvement meeting and kick off event on September 25th at the Community Center in McMinnville at 5:30 PM (see handout in official meeting packet for full report.)

Councilor Bob Larson asked if the school districts have been involved.

County Commissioner George spoke of the difference in how they record homelessness in the student body verses the numbers recorded at shelters.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consider a motion approving **Resolution No. 2008-2806** initiating amendments to the Development Code regarding removal of non-conforming signs.

This item pulled from Consent Calendar and heard out of agenda order under New Business.

2. Consider a motion approving City Council Minutes for August 4, 2008.

MOTION: **Larson/Currier** to approve the Consent Calendar including the City Council Minutes for August 4, 2008 and removing **Resolution No. 2008-2806** to be discussed further under New Business. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

Consider a motion approving **Ordinance No. 2008-2704** amending the Code to increase the Council's compensation from \$8 to \$10 per meeting and approve **Resolution No. 2008-2807** clarifying the attendance at which meetings compensation should apply.

Mayor Andrews called for any biases, conflicts of interest, ex parte contact, conflicts of jurisdiction, or abstentions. None were stated.

Mr. Terrence Mahr, City Attorney, presented the staff report (see official meeting packet for full report).

Mayor Andrews asked staff to change the word "Council" to the "Councilors" in the second sentence under the background section on page 23 to read, "The Councilors receive no other compensation." He opened and closed public testimony as there were no citizens present to testify.

MOTION: **Currier/Larson** to approve **Ordinance No. 2008-2704** amending the Code to increase the Council's compensation from \$8 to \$10 per meeting, read by title only. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

MOTION: **Currier/Shelton** to approve **Resolution No. 2008-2807** clarifying the attendance at which meetings compensation should apply. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

VIII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Consider a motion approving **Resolution No. 2008-2806** initiating amendments to the Development Code regarding removal of non-conforming signs.

Mr. Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director, presented the staff report during the Work Session prior to the meeting (see official meeting packet for full report).

MOTION: Rierson/Shelton to amend **Resolution No. 2008-2806** Exhibit A extending the application deadline for retaining non-conforming signs to March 31, 2009. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

MOTION: Rierson/Shelton to amend **Resolution No. 2008-2806** Exhibit A extending the deadline for removal of non-conforming signs to March 31, 2010. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

Councilor Roger Currier asked if staff captured issues brought up in prior discussions. Staff noted there would be some limitations for granting approval to retain some signs until the business name or ownership changes and whether a sign has a cultural importance based on the age of the sign.

Mayor Andrews also noted some specifications should be given to the City Manager for appointing a hearing officer.

MOTION: Currier/Rierson to approve **Resolution No. 2008-2806** initiating amendments to the Development Code regarding removal of non-conforming signs as amended. (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

X. COUNCIL BUSINESS

Councilor Mike Boyes discussed his concerns for the proposed street improvements on 99W to be completed by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) that excludes 1st Street and requested staff to question why the small portion of 1st Street from Dairy Queen to the Flag cannot be included in the projects extending from Sherwood to the east end of Newberg and from Main Street to McDougall along hwy 99W. He also expressed concerns for the lack of maintenance of certain City-owned parks leased to the Chehalem Park and Recreation District (CPRD) for operation and maintenance. He requested research be completed as to what the financial impact to the City would be to take maintenance of those parks back.

Councilor Currier suggested looking into costs for getting this completed by the County work release program.

Councilor Bart Rierson requested the City Manager to approach CPRD in the spirit of cooperation concerning these issues and solutions.

Councilor Currier discussed developing an ordinance to address dog owners not cleaning up after their pets. He used the City of Tigard as an example.

Mayor Andrews discussed a request from the co-chairperson of the 2008 Barrels of Dreams Wine Auction to have City Councilors donate wine bottles for a Newberg City Council Collection. Half of the proceeds for the highest bidding collection would be given to the organization to donate to their favorite charity. Several Councilors were willing to participate.

Councilor Boyes asked staff about code enforcement for homes that have been burned down by accidental fires and requested the code enforcement officer to look into a property west of 9th Street off of Blaine Street.

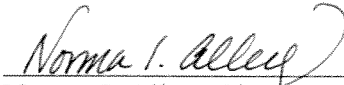
XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

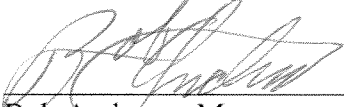
XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: **Larson/Boyes** to adjourn at 8:06 PM (6 Yes/0 No/1 Vacant) Motion carried.

ADOPTED by the Newberg City Council this 6th day of October, 2008.


Norma I. Alley, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Mayor this 9th day of October, 2008.


Bob Andrews, Mayor