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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 8, 2016, 7:00 pm at City Hall, 100 W Halsey St., Halsey, OR

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Marjean Cline, City Council President Rella Johnson, Councilor Ken Lorensen, Councilor Eric Harless, Councilor Jennifer Johnson, Councilor Lee Skinner, City Administrator Ronda Fischer

Absent: Councilor Gillson

Staff Present: Municipal Clerk Martha Chamberlain, Public Works Director Andy Ridinger, Public Works Randy McMillen

Guests: Sean Johnson, Sam Hewitt, Travis Hewitt, John McMillen, Andy Geoghegan, Parker Leigh, Brian Gardner, Sgt. Greg Klein, Don Ware

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from Council Meeting **Tuesday February 9, 2016**

Move to: approve the minutes from the Council Workshop and the Council Meeting on Tuesday February 9, 2016

Motion by: Councilor Lorensen, seconded by Councilor Harless

Vote:

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL ENTRIES

There were no questions or comments.

Move to: approve the financial reports and the journal entries as submitted.

Motion by: Councilor Lorensen, seconded by Councilor R Johnson

Vote:

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion Carries

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

The item under New Business was deleted, because the application to budget committee was withdrawn.

DELEGATIONS

Linn County Sheriff's Office

February 2016 report: two traffic citations, one for speed and one for DUI. There were 27 total complaints, a total of 10.5 traffic hours spent for a total of 79.5 hours spent in Halsey. There was one traffic accident; a truck and trailer lost its trailer at Hwy 99 and O Street. There were no injuries. Councilor R Johnson asked for a speed patrol on Hwy 228 near the Blue Heron intersection.

Superintendent Gardner

Superintendent Gardner introduced Parker Leigh and asked if the Council had any questions or concerns about the Bond. The School Board decision was to seek a bond to produce a K-12 school on the existing High School site at a bond rate of about \$1.87/\$1,000. The bond is for \$32 million and will appear on the ballot on May 17th. There is also a \$4 million matching grant from the state.

Questions asked included:

- Did the board consider a smaller bond?
- Maintenance plan for a new building
- Is the cost of water and sewer improvements included in the bond?
- Capacity of the new building

Discussion items presented by school board representatives:

- Cost of repairing/replacing in the future
- \$350,000 operational savings that can be used for a maintenance program
- Planning for sale or use of the other building
- Possibly creating an emergency preparedness plan using the new building
- Energy efficiency
- Possible impact on local families, businesses
- What happens if the bond doesn't pass

CITIZEN COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items)

There were no citizen comments

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK GRANT

The City of Halsey received the grant from the OPRD Veterans & War Memorials Grant program in the amount of \$28,515. The Budget for the project is \$36,147, including a \$7,630 match. The match includes volunteer hours, in-kind donations, and city staff time, so the cash outlay from the city will be small. We also have a \$500 grant from the Brownsville Community Foundation. The American Legion Post 184 was the partner on the project. The project will include removing the maple tree, installing a new monument, seating areas, a new flagpole and lighting. The new monument is to honor the service of veterans from Halsey, Brownsville and Shedd. We are still looking for members for the Veterans Memorial Park Committee, so if you are interested, please let someone know.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

City Administrator Ronda Fischer

There is still one property with a Right of Way violation, and a citation may need to be issued.

The 5K run is April 23rd, and there is a registration form in your packet. You can walk or run, it's a great way to support the Library.

The city received a land use planning hearing notice from Linn County. They are looking at a possible Good Samaritan Mobile Care Unit over by Pioneer Villa. There is a public meeting on 3/30 at 10:00 am at Linn County.

There was an oil spill between I-5 and Halsey, DEQ notified us, the company was responsible for cleaning it up.

Halsey City Signs – we are looking at replacing the signs at each end of town and in front of the community center. The designs and prices are done. The older signs are in poor repair.

The reservoir work has begun. There was some pressure fluctuation on Monday, and some phone calls.

Public Works

Andy Ridinger – Reservoir work is near completion. The inspection found five small holes. When it was built, it was a poor design, they put gravel underneath, the temperature expansion and contraction, the weight and pressure of the water pressed down on the surface. They will do some patching. They are getting pricing on replacing the panels. The crew did a great job. They also did some patching on the roof that wasn't in the original bid. The plan is to fill it up on Friday.

On the wastewater side, the city had to purchase a recirculation pump. The pump pumps water into the facility and regulates some of the equipment there. One of the chlorine analyzers is leaking and not repairable, so there is a new one coming.

Library – TJ Gillson

There was no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OCWCOG Transportation Committee

The FAST act was passed by the congress and signed, which means the federal government has a five year transportation budget passed into law instead of piecemeal as it has been in the past, so there will start to be some funds available for projects. The manager for the Hwy 20 project said that there will be closures starting in May through October for 10 hours a day, starting at 6:30 at night until 4:30 in the evening.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution 2016-618– A Resolution by the Mayor Proclaiming April 2016 to be Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month

There was no discussion.

Motion to: adopt Resolution 2016-618– A Resolution by the Mayor Proclaiming April 2016 to be Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month

Motion by: Councilor Harless, seconded by Councilor R Johnson

Vote:

Ayes: unanimous

Motion Carries

Resolution 2016-619 – A Resolution Declaring the Adoption of a Supplemental Budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the Library Fund Pursuant to ORS 294.471(3)(a) and Making Appropriations

The Resolution is for a supplemental budget to bring money into the library fund. It does not have to go through the Budget Committee, because it meets ORS 294.471(3)(a) We had some unexpected revenue come in from some grants and donations. This will give us permission to spend an additional \$1800.

Motion to: adopt Resolution 2016-619 – A Resolution Declaring the Adoption of a Supplemental Budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the Library Fund Pursuant to ORS 294.471(3)(a) and Making Appropriations

Motion by: Councilor Harless, seconded by Councilor Lorensen

Vote:

Ayes: unanimous

Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Mayor Marjean Cline

Assistant City Recorder Hilary Norton