

CITY OF PILOT ROCK

Council Meeting

March 17, 2015

7:00 PM

A. Called to Order

Having a quorum the Regular Council meeting was called to order by Council President Moss at 7:00 PM. Council members present were Deacon Perkins, Raymond Doherty, Jim Hinkle, Kacie Moss and Bob Deno. Also present were Teri Porter, Sergeant Stallings and Steve Draper. Citizens present were John Taylor, and Ed Taber, Jim ? and Edward Dolan.

INVOCATION

Councilor Deno gave the invocation.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

3. PRESENTATIONS

Teri Porter stated that Mayor Carnes asked her to extend the Mayor's apologies that she could not be present this evening due to health issues.

Casey White-Zollman of BMCC presented information on the BMCC Bond. Casey covered the information on the pamphlet [attached](#). The College offers classes for occupations relevant to the area that result in living wage jobs. The Bond would help to support the programs that are needed in our communities **On a motion by Councilor Perkins and seconded by Councilor Deno, Council agreed to support the Bond. All present voted yes.**

4. ACTION ITEMS

F-1 Request to use Council Chambers for weekly AA meetings

Edward Dolan asked permission to use the Council Chambers each Saturday at 7pm to hold AA meetings. There are no Saturday meetings in Pendleton or Hermiston so it may draw folks from those areas as well. 10-15 people are anticipated. Since the City does not require a fee for non-profit organizations, AA has offered to make a small donation for the use of the room, as it is there policy. It was explained that we allow the use of the room for such things as Head Start, Knitting Club, Lost and Found Youth, Motocross. Since it is going to be a regular event they would need Councils approval. Council explained that there would be a hand full of Saturdays that the room would not be available due to a City function. Mr. Dolan would be responsible for the security of the building. **On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council granted the use of the Chambers for weekly AA meetings with the exception of when it is being used for City events, at which time Mr. Dolan would be notified. All present voted yes.**

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F-2 Cost of Umatilla County Dispatch

As requested by Council, Sergeant Stalling submitted a report outlining the services provided by Umatilla Dispatch and what the fees pay for (\$6,000 plus 911 funds). The report also listed what neighboring cities pay for the same services. (see attached).

Discussion:

1. The fee should be based on the number of dispatch calls rather than a flat rate.
2. The fee may go up each year.
3. The service is more than just dispatching. They provide officer safety by keeping track of officers 24/7.
4. We pay for the services through County taxes, as well as the 911 money (\$6,850).
5. Why has the fiscal responsibility shifted to the Cities.
6. What is the difference between dispatch and 911?
7. What are our alternatives?
8. Ask Captain Lieuallen to attend a Council meeting. Council should be prepared with questions and a game plan.
9. Plan on the \$6,000 fee for budgeting purposes only. But be prepared for a change.

On a motion by Councilor Hinkle and seconded by Councilor Perkins, Council agreed to table the Dispatch Fee issue and invite Captain Lieuallen of Umatilla County Dispatch to attend a meeting on April 21st so that Council can ask her questions. All present voted yes.

F-3 Teri Porter Vacation Request

Teri explained that she will be present for the Budget meeting as well as the Small Cities meeting on the 15th.

On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council approved Teri Porters vacation request for April 13-17. All present voted yes.

F-4 Resolution to Transfer Funds

There is a need to increase the Capital Improvements Budget by \$7,000 to pay for the cost of replacing the Welcome to Pilot Rock sign. The Contingency budget would be decreased by \$7,000. The City will be reimbursed \$4,000 by the insurance company which would go into a revenue account. If we need to purchase a new server for City Hall, we will need to increase the Equipment Replacement line item by \$1,500 and reduce Contingency by \$1,500. Before purchasing a server, bids will be presented to Council. A resolution increasing the budget must be in place before the actual expense is paid. **On a motion by Councilor Deno and seconded by Councilor Doherty, Council approved Resolution No. 573. All present voted yes.**

Council asked if Mr. Liles has been contacted regarding restitution. A letter has been sent with no response. We will now send a registered letter. Council considered what to do if they refuse to pay.

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F-5 Appoint Councilor Perkins to Liaison to the Planning Commission

On a motion by Councilor Hinkle and seconded by Councilor Moss, Council appointed Councilor Perkins as Liaison to the Planning Commission. All present voted yes.

On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council agreed to add F-6 approval of expense for street sweeping.

F-6 Street Sweeping Expense

Steve explained that we need to hire the City of Pendleton Street Sweeper to clean our streets. It is covered in the Street Dept. Repair and Maintenance budget.

On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Doherty, Council approved a \$2,500 expense for street sweeping. All present voted yes.

G INFORMATION ITEMS, REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

G-1 Department Head Report

City Hall:

1. Sent letter to A&V regarding the approaching Contract of Sale deadline.
2. Working on the budget, prepping for Budget Committee / Council presentation on April 15, 2015.
3. Working on reconstructing loans and payments for the Water Project so that it can be budgeted for in the 2016 budget.
4. We have received the following donations for the Swim Program. A&V Investments \$500, Nazarene Church \$250 and PP&L \$1,500.

Police

1. We are still training new officer in hopes he will be solo by the end of March of the middle of April.
2. We are doing extra patrols around McGowan Dr. after school.
3. Will be contacting the state to see about getting a crosswalk put in by McGowan Drive.
4. Emphasizing more school patrols, before, during and after school.
5. Also will look into a Crosswalk grant to acquire a flashing light for that area.
6. Conducting stationary radar on SW Birch St due to complaints of people speeding throughout the day.
7. Met with Steve and Teri to work on General Fund 2016 Budget.

Council noticed that the officer has been riding solo. There were concerns raised regarding liability since he is just shy of his certification.

Public Works

1. Working on negotiations between Fenton and Smith, getting closer to a resolution.
2. Prepping equipment for spring. Removing all snow removal equipment.
3. Adam will be back to work March 16, 2015.
4. Another solar company in making inquiries. They may submit a letter of intent.
5. Tim and Steve to attend short school for water and waste water end of month.
6. Working on 2016 budgets.

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H. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Councilor Hinkle and seconded by Councilor Deno, Council agreed to accept the consent calendar. All present voted yes.

I COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Perkins stated that he thought that the Lagoon Work Session was very informative and appreciated the dinner provided.

Councilor Perkins also suggested that we should set up an executive session to discuss the process for selecting a Chief. Currently we are waiting for the background checks on our internal applicants to be complete so that they can be presented at an executive session with Gary David present.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

K. ADJOURNMENT

Council agreed to adjourn at 8:32pm.

APPROVED _____

ATTEST _____