

CITY OF PILOT ROCK

Council Meeting

May 5, 2015, 2015

7:00 PM

A. Called to Order

Having a quorum the Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Carnes at 7:00 PM. Council members present were Deacon Perkins, Raymond Doherty, Jim Hinkle, Kacie Moss, and Ray Corwin. Also present were Teri Porter, and Steve Draper. Citizens present were John Taylor, Mary Lue Slabick, Michelle Casady, Sheriff Rowan, Captain Lieuallen, Phil Wright and Pastor Jeffers.

INVOCATION

Pastor Jeffers gave the invocation.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Mr. Taylor suggested the Council and staff consider Ordinance No. 186 regarding requirement on how to allocate cost for putting the sewer on Stockdrive Rd.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Sheriff Rowan and Captain Lieuallen with Umatilla County Dispatch answered questions regarding the increase in fees for dispatch service. The following topics were discussed:

1. 18 FT dispatchers dispatch for all agencies in the County except Milton Freewater, Tribal and State.
2. Larger cities have been paying for dispatch and questioned why the smaller cities were not.
3. Each City receives 911 funds from the State. In the past the City would then send those 911 funds to the County to pay for 911 as well as daily dispatch service.
4. Resent changes to the Oregon Administration Rules requires that 911 funds be spent on dispatch services and equipment that are 911 only. Answering the 911 call, toning out the ambulance, toning out the fire truck and sending a police officer. Everything else concerning that emergency call is considered dispatch serviced. 911 is not to be used to pay for animal calls, alarms, traffic stops etc.
5. Originally the 911 dispatch center was the jail control room which answered the 911 calls from the smaller cities on a 10 button phone. No computers. Now they have 6 monitors, a mapping system, CAD system, LEDS. A lot has changed. The dispatch budget came out of the jail budget.
6. 911 funds are collected from a fee on your phone bill.
7. Property taxes go toward paying a variety of services provided by the County. The County budget is available on the website.
8. The \$6,000 fee was a starting point for negotiation purposes. Understanding that the small cities will have a harder time coming up with the added expense, the County was working with the Pilot Rock Police department, in coming up with a figure that would be reasonable.

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9. The County has adopted a formula based on population to determine fees for each city. If this formula was applied to Pilot Rock the fee would be \$24,801.
10. If the fee was set at the \$24,801, the cost would go up about 3% a year, as that is the estimated cost of living increase and medical insurance increases.
11. If the formula was based on calls for service for Pilot Rock, the fee would be \$27,739. It is estimated that each call cost approx. \$15
12. The County is always looking to run more efficiently. Recent consolidations have been favorable and they are doing more with less.
13. Realizing she is comparing apples to oranges, Mayor Carnes asked what Hermiston and Pendleton are paying for the same dispatch services Pilot Rock is paying \$6,000 for? Hermiston is paying \$295,691 and Pendleton pays \$284,753.
14. Weston, Athena, Helix, Adams etc. do not have police departments. They contract with the Sheriffs and the dispatch service is paid as part of that contract. They are negotiating with Stanfield and Umatilla, if using the per capita formula it would \$46,545. Looking at a \$12,000 fee for Stanfield with a plan to increase and get caught up.
15. #1 priority it to keep the officer safe.

16. ACTION ITEMS

F-1 Resolution to Reinstate the Equipment Replacement a Water Project Funds.

At the auditors request we have been asked to make several transfers to show the proper repayment of loans made in 2010. These transfers require that the Equipment Replacement and Water Project funds be reinstated. **On a motion by Councilor Corwin and seconded by Councilor Doherty, Council agreed to adopt Resolution No. 574 to reinstate the Equipment Replacement and Water Funds. All present voted yes.**

F-2 Resolution No. 575 Transferring Funds in the Economic Development Fund.

On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council agreed to adopt Resolution No. 575 Transferring funds in the Economic Development fund. All present voted yes.

F-3 Appoint a Councilor to the Interview Board for the Police Chief Position.

The interview board is comprised of both department heads, the Mayor, a Councilor, Chief Roberts of Pendleton and a citizen. Anna Tester, High School Principal, was asked to assume the citizens seat.

On a motion by Councilor Hinkle and seconded by Councilor Moss, Council agreed to appoint Councilor Perkins to the interview board. All present voted yes.

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G INFORMATION ITEMS, REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

G-1 Department Head Report

CITY HALL:

1. Prepped for the budget meetings. Made presentation.
2. Steve and I visited with City attorney.
3. Working on recruiting a Police Chief. Set up interviews for three applicants on May 6, 2015.
4. Quarterly income tax.
5. Working on the "Decision Ready" project, almost complete. Once complete companies looking for industrial property in Oregon will have access to a large amount of information about the City of Pilot Rocks industrial property. Could potentially bring business and jobs to our community.
6. At the suggestion of Business Oregon, I have looked into the possibility of going in with Pendleton on a Regionally Significant Industrial Area application. This will open up opportunities to be favorably considered for grants to make improvements to our industrial property making it more attractive to new industry. I was hoping to make a presentation to council regarding this. But had a lot on my plate. Will have something for the next meeting.

POLICE:

1. Steve and I are working as a team to supervise the police department until a chief is hired. We make decisions together and confer with Chief Roberts or CIS on a regular basis.
2. Officer Stallings resigned. He left on very good terms.
3. A rotating schedule has been developed and now in use. Dispatch has been given a copy. We have asked that any changes to the schedule be limited to emergency only, until we are up to staff.
4. Officer Thompson has completed his FTO and will be submitted to DPSST.
5. We are holding communication meetings every Thursday at 2pm with the officers, Steve and Teri.
6. Officer Diehl has been appointed to handle NIBRS until a chief is hired.
7. I have been in contact with OACP regarding hiring an interim chief. There are not many retired chiefs in the linebacker program at this time. They will put the word out and submit a list of those interested. If there is a chance that we will be given a list there is a fee of \$250.

PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Have installed a new meter at the Grade School.
2. Welcome to Pilot Rock sign was installed on Wednesday. Will be painting the base and installing solar lights.
3. The evaporation and flow tests are being conducted at the lagoons. This is required prior to the upgrade.
4. Mowing and spraying.
5. Will start reading meters in May.
6. The extension of the Sewer line to Jim Hatley's property.
7. Have been in discussion with Greg Smith regarding the house at the foot of the stairs.

G-2 Sewer Reimbursement Request is not a Land Use Issue.

As directed by Council Teri presented Council with a staff report informing Council that after reviewing the ordinance and speaking with the DLCD, we are handling Mr. Hatley's request to present an agreement to Council (allowing him to be reimbursed for the cost of extending the sewer main as each new developer attached on) correctly. This is not a land use issue and is not to go before the planning commission.

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H. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Councilor Corwin and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council agreed to accept the consent calendar. All present voted yes. Councilor Perkins asked for a clarification as to what the legal fees are for. Teri explained that \$905 went to the Callahan appeal. \$270 was for review of letter of intent on real property.

Steve Draper stated that the minutes do not show that he was present at the last executive session when in fact he was. Teri stated she would change the minutes.

On a motion by Councilor Doherty and seconded by Councilor Moss, Council agreed to accept the consent councilor with noted changes to the minutes. All present voted yes.

I COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Perkins appreciated Teri for her research on the sewer reimbursement as well as the budget presentation it was well thought through and easy to follow.

Mayor Carnes stated that tomorrow is Community Clean Up Day.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into executive session at 8:10. Present were Councilors Hinkle, Moss, Corwin, Perkins, and Doherty. Mayor Carnes, Teri Porter and Steve Draper, Under ORS 192.662 (2) (4)Legal Council. Councilor Moss read the motion.

Council returned from executive session at 8:25. The doors were unlocked, there were no citizens present to announce the return to regular session.

On a motion by Councilor Moss and seconded by Councilor Hinkle, Council agreed to direct staff to contact legal Council. All present voted yes.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Council agreed to adjourn at 8:30 PM.

APPROVED _____

ATTEST _____