
CITY OF PILOT ROCK

Council Meeting
June 16, 2020 7:00 PM

A. Called to Order

Having a quorum, the Regular Council meeting was called to order by **Mayor Virginia Carnes** at 7:00 PM. Council members present were **Raymond Doherty, Bob Deno, Robbie Young (attended via phone conferencing), Andy Sells and Jackie Carey.** Department Heads present were **Steve Draper, William Caldera and Teri Bacus.** Citizens were **Mary Lu Slabik and Pastor Jeffers.**

B. INVOCATION

Pastor Jeffers gave the invocation

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS.

E. PRESENTATIONS

Jadon Herron from Anderson Perry provided an update on the Lagoon project. Due to the flooding on May 20, 2020, east and west Birch Creek experienced substantial erosion. The bank at the gravity sewer crossing location was eroded more than 30 feet. The crossing location is currently constrained by the Union Pacific railroad (UPRR) right-of-way. The option to increase the crossing length so both manholes for the siphon are in more favorable locations is being evaluated. Options to stabilize the banks to help prevent future erosion near the crossing that could impact the gravity sewer line is also being evaluated. Silver Creek Contracting, LLC (SCC) is completing the gravity sewer line installation and excavating the remaining rock with a rented hammer and excavator under a Work Change Directive as anticipated. SCC is currently working on the lift station building and gravity sewer line and the UPRR bore is scheduled for next month. The date for substantial completion is anticipated to be mid-October. An amendment to the Engineering Agreement is currently being pursued to cover the additional work that was outside the original scope of services. Councilor Doherty requested a breakdown of the fees and Jadon replied that he would provide at the July 7 Council meeting.

F. ACTION ITEMS

F-1 Eastern Oregon Waste Management (EOWM) Renewal – The City Recorder presented resolution #663 to renew contract with EOWM. Ordinance #579 was passed in July 2017 and requires a yearly review on or before July 1st of each year. EOWM has reviewed and accepts terms for renewal except for 20 yard and under drop boxes rates. Owner, Jimmy Doherty explained the new rate structure. Councilor Sells asked about the senior discount. Councilor Carey asked about increasing the franchise fee and City Recorder explained that due to COVID-19 it was not increased but will be in 2021.

Councilor Deno made a motion to approve the resolution and Councilor Carey seconded. Councilor Doherty did not vote. Councilor Young and Councilor Sells voted yes, and the motion was passed approving the resolution.

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F-2 Budget Hearing & Adoption – City Recorder explained the process for the budget public hearing and Mayor Carnes opened the public hearing. No comments were made, and the public hearing was closed. Resolution #665 declared the City's election to receive state revenues. The resolution imposes and categorizes the property taxes for the General Fund at the permanent rate of \$2.8958 per \$1,000.

Councilor Carey made a motion to approve the resolution and the city hereby elects to receive state revenues for FY 2021 and Councilor Deno seconded. Councilor Young, Council Doherty and Councilor Sells voted yes, and the motion was passed to approve the City's resolution.

Resolution #664 adopts the budget for FY 2021 which was approved by the Budget Committee on May 27. **Councilor Carey made a motion to approve the resolution adopting FY 2021 budget making appropriations, categorizing and levying taxes. Councilor Sells seconded and Councilor Young, Councilor Doherty and Councilor Deno all voted yes, and the resolution was passed**

G-1 Department Head Report –

Police Chief informed Council that a citizen has an old Camaro that he is refurbishing and requests permission to park near his home for a year. He has paid the \$50 fee per City ordinance. Public Works Director commented that he will be required to provide weed control around the vehicle. **Councilor Doherty made a motion to approve the permit and Councilor Deno seconded. Councilor Sells, Councilor Young and Councilor Carey all voted yes, and the permit was approved.** Public Works Director informed the Council that the City of Pendleton provided street cleaning and finished today. City Recorder informed the Council that she confirmed with auditor that funds are available from the Economic Development and the General Fund from the Local Government Investment Pool for the clean-up from flooding. She also requested that the time for City Council meetings be changed from 7pm to 6pm. She contacted Councilor Evoniuk who is not present at this meeting and confirmed that it would be acceptable to her. **Councilor Deno made a motion to change the time from 7pm to 6pm and Councilor Doherty seconded. Councilor Sells, Councilor Young and Councilor Carey all voted yes and City Council meetings at 6pm was approved.**

City Hall:

1. Attended the Census steering committee meeting via computer conferencing
2. Took pictures throughout the City on flood damage and forwarded to CIS
3. Processed disbursement request #13 for lagoon project
4. Attended Lagoon Construction meeting
5. Processed Housing Rehabilitation Program disbursement
6. Completed documents for receipt of Jetter Truck title
7. Scheduled annual audit for preliminary work in July & audit in August
8. Prepared budget documents
9. Researched items for property sale

Police Department:

1. Investigated a residential burglary where suspects were developed.
2. Assisted high school staff with the graduation.
3. The computers in the cars have been installed and they have already been an asset.
4. Received a report of a female being bitten by a Pit Bull. The dog owner was cited for Dog at Large and Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

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5. Ofc. Flatau was given a going away party.
6. Report of five juveniles throwing rocks from the bluff by the high school.
7. Assisted parole and probation in looking for one of their clients.
8. Officer did a background check for the fire department.
9. Investigated a noise and trespass complaint from a local business.
10. Assisted the sheriff's department with a shooting incident wherein one person was shot in the hand.
11. An officer investigated a possible scam involving a local resident.
12. Assisted DHS – Child Welfare of a possible sexual assault that occurred out of the area.
13. Officer contacted a 14-year-old who was making suicidal statements.
14. Officer contacted a person shooting off illegal fireworks.

Public Works

1. Attended construction meeting for Lagoon project
2. Removed footbridge from creek behind Post Office
3. Massive flood clean-up and debris removal
4. Mowing & weed eating

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

Bills \$53,860.28

On a motion by Councilor Deno and seconded by Councilor Sells, the consent calendar was approved. All present voted yes, and the motion was passed.

J. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Deno stated that the city workers have done a great job in the cleaning up after the flood.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION -NONE

L. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Carey made motion to adjourn and Councilor Deno seconded. All present voted yes, and the meeting was adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm

APPROVED_____

Virginia Carnes, Mayor

ATTEST_____

Teri Bacus, City Recorder