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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING July 9th, 2019

Council Present:

Brad Smith
Barbara Northington
Sue Holliday
Melissa Pettyjohn
Barbara Northington

Public in Attendance

**City Manager/Recorder Raamin Burrell
Minutes taken and recorded by Raamin Burrell**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Smith at 6:01 p.m.

Open Floor: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and called for open floor items.

City Manager Burrell called the Council's attention to an added document to their packets. The Long Family has submitted an Intent to Purchase form for the Council to review. As a part of the process to establish a new business, lenders want to see that a property is available for the business to be built on. This form is simply showing an intent to buy the lot 101 (lot next to vacated 2nd street extension) and a hope for the City to hold the property until a decision is made. The Council asked what the business was and City Manager Burrell admitted to neglecting to ask. There was some conjecture as to what the business was going to be and all that was known was that Mrs. Long stated it would be complementary to the Grandma's Truck N' Kitchen food cart. The process for selling city lots was reiterated and questions about the value of the lots was discussed. At this point there's nothing for the Council to decide, just notification that a new business may be going in.

City Manager Burrell has an ask on behalf of Tidewater Contracting. They are needing to buy water for their project work on the 17 Road. They, however, would rather pay \$5.00 per gallon instead of the \$10.00 per gallon as was set earlier in the year. There was no estimate of how much they would be drawing or for how long. She handed a copy of the signed resolution with the water rates to the representative to take to Tidewater for approval with the \$10/1000-gallon rate and told them to get a hold of her. The Council deliberated. It was decided not to lower the rate.

City Manager Burrell had a Road update for the Council. She was working with Alan Hickerson with the Grant County Road Department to do dust abatement on Strawberry Lane. Councilor Pettyjohn brought up the condition of Shirttail Creek Road.

City Manager Burrell said that she'd been in contact with the local contact at the Forest Service to either bump our issues further up the approval list for FLAP grants or to have it delisted from federal lands access list so we could get funding for it. A decision hadn't yet been made.

Approval of June 11th, 2019 Minutes: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and asked for any corrections or changes. None noted. Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve and sign the minutes.

-Councilor Northington made the motion, Councilor Holliday seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to approve and sign the minutes.

Acceptance of the Economic Opportunity Analysis done by Johnson Economics via DLCDC Grant Monies: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell stated that this is the preliminary final copy of the economic analysis done by Johnson Economics. As a part of the process it's advised that the Council show acceptance of the preliminary findings and recommended processes for attaining the proposed goals set forth in the analysis

-Councilor Northington made the motion, Councilor Pettyjohn seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to accept the advice and findings of Johnson Economics.

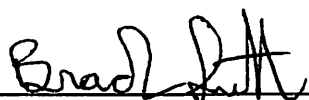
Resolution 08-19: Authorizing the City's Participation in the LOC's Pilot Program Providing Limited Free Legal Advice to Small Cities Located in Eastern Oregon: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell reiterated that this is a continuation of the program that we were a part of last year and was very beneficial to the City. Mayor Smith called for a motion to adopt Resolution 08-19.

-Councilor Pettyjohn made the motion, Councilor Northington seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to adopt and sign Resolution 08-19.

Bills Before Council/Signatures: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and called for a motion to pay the bills. The extra signatures required pertain to the Wastewater Facility Plan and have already been approved by Council.

-Councilor Pettyjohn made the motion, Councilor Holliday seconded it. All in favor, motion passed, bills signed.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Attest: 
Mayor