



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 12th, 2019**

Council Present:

Brad Smith
Lilly Foster
Sue Holliday
Melissa Pettyjohn

Public in Attendance

Steven Fletcher
Deputy Dave Dobbler
Matt Wenick
King Williams

**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 stated that she had two quick items to bring to the Councils' attention. The first was a donation to the golf course that was made in the name of John Saunders for the amount of \$50.00. The second is the response letter from ODOT that arrived that day. In general, it states that the city was given permission for the access to Hwy 395 in 1983 that states that it is the City's responsibility to maintain it. It goes on to state that all that is needed to widen or improve the access is a permit from ODOT, which is cited in the letter. Councilor Pettyjohn confirmed that all that was needed was the permit.

Mr. Wenick asked about the progress to replace or repair the fire siren on the top of city hall. City Manager Burrell reiterated for the Council that the current siren (a Model 2, Federal Signal, 240V) was dead due to the brushes being burnt out. She was researching either buying the replacement parts and having someone repair it or replacing it altogether. As replacements in working condition have been difficult to locate and rather expensive, she would look further into the replacement parts. Mr. Wenick confirmed that there were funds available to repair or replace it as needed. Mayor Smith confirmed that we would start the weekly testing again once it was operational.

Approval of February 7th, 2019 Public Hearing Minutes: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell stated that the minutes were not yet available. This was due to a request for private lawyer review before the minutes going to Council. The minutes will be available by the next meeting.

Approval of February 12th, 2019 Minutes: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud, confirmed that the Council had read the minutes and asked for any corrections or changes. None noted. Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve and sign the minutes.

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

Review ARES Repeater Proposal – Steven Fletcher: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and asked that Mr. Fletcher was just seeking permission to move forward with his proposal to place a radio repeater in an elevated location within city limits. Mayor Smith said he'd read the proposal and didn't know why we wouldn't approve it. Councilor Pettyjohn agreed. Mr. Fletcher handed the Council a supplementary map with the proposed locations for the repeater. He then referred to Deputy Dobbler for further endorsement. Deputy Dobbler stated that the south end of the county had very poor or non-existent communications. He gave an example of an incident last year in Logan Valley and this last winter out in Izee where communications were limited at best and it makes rescue efforts and law enforcement efforts that much more ineffective. They attempted having a mobile repeater but it was limited. Having a permanent repeater in a high point that allows access over a broader range could be the difference between being able to order LifeFlight or watch someone die in front of you. He said that Mr. Fletcher had been working to help provide these outlying repeater locations and equipment with his own time and personal funding to make communications better. Council was in agreement that it was a great idea and had no objections. There was a question about the power requirements for the repeater, the answer was that it will run off of solar power. Council directed City Manager Burrell to draft a contract reflecting the proposal.

-Councilor Pettyjohn made the motion, Councilor Holliday seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to accept and approve the proposal as submitted.

Review Proposal from Iron Triangle: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. As Mr. Williams had not yet arrived, Mayor Smith elected to skip this item at this time and revisit it later should Mr. Williams be able to attend.

Mr. Williams arrived during the scoring of the proposals. This agenda item was revisited at 6:47 p.m. Mr. Williams apologized for not submitting a written proposal but will submit to Council for the next meeting. The proposal is to either gate off the section of Strawberry Lane that is between the lots owned by Iron Triangle or possibly vacate that section of road. The reasoning is that their insurance is concerned with the public pass through during business hours with all of the heavy equipment being used. Their insurance is also questioning how they intend to fence or block public access due to the possibility of fire starts and/or trespassing. Councilor Pettyjohn asked about gating the section instead of closing off the road due to regular public use, visitor use during



hunting seasons, and Southworth Bros Ranch uses the access into town from the 16 road (this is the remainder of the old log deck road before the 16 Road was officially moved south to its current location). The concern is for the public push back due to closing off access when the log deck is already closer to the residential area than was anticipated. Mr. Williams stated that if it was going to be too much of an issue to restrict access then they would consider leaving Seneca. There was a discussion that included the possibilities of temporary gates, maybe during business hours only, fencing off the rest of the lots they own, and question of liability and nuisance. It was offered for Mr. Williams to bring a couple of different possible solutions in their proposal. The Council agreed this was a great introduction to the subject but would wait until an actual proposal was submitted to Council. The Council suggested posting notices or signs, in the meantime, asking people to not use the road during Iron Triangle's business hours which is 6 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday. Mr. Williams said that they need some method of traffic control in order to be compliant with the insurance. The Council agreed to post notices around the city and in the newsletter asking for people to restrict access to that section of Strawberry Lane during their business hours due to the liability issues for Iron Triangle and safety concerns.

Selection of New Road Name for Airstrip: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell directed the Council to the handout placed on the table for them with all of the proposed road names. The names of the students who submitted the names was left off to avoid bias. Councilor Pettyjohn said that she wanted to hear everyone's opinions. There were a lot of very unique and funny names submitted. The Council discussed the submitted names and offered a few other names, too. Consensus among the Council, due to its common name, is "Old Airstrip Road" submitted by Sarah Smith of Mrs. Ashley's class at the Seneca School. The gift to be awarded is a \$10 gift certificate to Grandma's Truck N' Kitchen.

Resolution 02-19: Declaring and Naming a City Street Located Within City Limits: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and read the resolution aloud in its entirety, including the spaces for the newly accepted name of "Old Airstrip Road".

-Councilor Holliday made the motion, Councilor Foster seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to accept and sign Resolution 02-19 with the newly accepted name.

Scoring and Awarding of Cultural Monitoring for the Wastewater Facility Project: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell stated that there were no submitted proposals for this position. She would review with Business Oregon and the city attorney as to extending the deadline with the hopes of getting a submittal and will be contacting the Councilors individually to score the hopefully submitted proposals. She was under the impression that one was on the way, but hadn't arrived in time. Councilor Pettyjohn asked what would happen if we didn't

receive any proposals. City Manager Burrell explained that because the Burns-Paiute Tribe responded to the SHPO request with a request for cultural monitoring for the project, that the city had to do its due diligence in attempting to fill that position. Councilor Pettyjohn asked if they needed to vote to extend the deadline in order to accept any late proposals. City Manager Burrell said that it wasn't necessary, that Business Oregon said it was up to the city attorney to give his approval.

Scoring and Awarding of Labor Standards for the Wastewater Facility

Project: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Burrell opened the two submitted proposals and handed out the copies to the Council. The Council was supplied with a scoring sheet for each proposal and were directed to review the submitted information in their packets and to score each proposal accordingly. There was only one question during the process in regards to one of the proposals not including a cost estimate. This took approximately 20 minutes. The scoring sheets were collected, will be recorded and added up, and the proposers notified accordingly. Council was directed to have Mayor Smith call for a motion to award the position to the proposer who received the highest score.

-Councilor Pettyjohn made the motion, Councilors Holliday seconded it. All in favor, motion passed to award the Labor Standards position to the proposer who received the highest score.

Bills Before Council: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and called for a motion to pay the bills.

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

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Attest: _____


Mayor