



**City Council Meeting
October 13th, 2020**

Council Present:

Brad Smith
Sue Holliday
Melissa Pettyjohn

Public Present:

None

Minutes taken and recorded by City Manager/Recorder Amanda Born

Meeting called to order by Mayor Smith at 6:00pm.

Open Floor: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and asked for open floor items. There were no open floor items.

Approval of September 8th Council Meeting Minutes: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud and asked for any corrections or changes. Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve and sign the minutes.

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

City Speed Limit: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. City Manager Born said that in order to lower the speed limit in town to 15mph we would need to submit a form to ODOT to request a speed zone investigation. Mayor Smith said that in a lot of places in town he feels even 15mph is too fast let alone 25 mph. Mayor Smith suggested going to 20 mph and petitioning ODOT to allow us to lower to 15 mph. Councilor Pettyjohn suggested we find out more about the process from ODOT and how long it would take.

Coronavirus Relief Fund: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. Seneca's share is up to \$25,000. City Manager Born explained that the City hasn't really had any Coronavirus related expenses, but, according to a representative from the League of Oregon Cities, the funds could potentially be used to set up a grant to assist small businesses or individuals effected by the Coronavirus. There was a discussion about if there is actually a need for assistance in the City and the Council suggested getting more information. City Manager Born said that it was explained to her that the money could be potentially transferred to the County or another City if we didn't have a need for it. It needs to be used before December 30th.

Wastewater Project Amendment #5: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. This amendment is to extend the deadline of the project to October 31st, 2020. Mayor Smith called for a motion.



-Councilor Pettyjohn made the motion to approve the Wastewater Project Amendment #5, Councilor Holliday seconded it. All in Favor, motion passed.

Appoint a City Council Representative to Grant County Emergency Communications Agency Intergovernmental Council: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud. The Council appointed Councilor Northington as the representative for the City of Seneca.

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

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

Executive Session in Accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(e): Review Shirrtail Creek Subdivision Lots Proposals: Mayor Smith read the agenda item aloud, and declared at 6:30pm that the Council will now meet in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) which allows the Council to meet in executive session to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions. At 6:50pm Mayor Smith announced that the Council would go out of executive session and resume the regular Council meeting. The agenda item was tabled until the next meeting in order to get more information about allowable uses for residential zoned property.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.

Attest: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

Mayor