

City of Chiloquin
City Council Meeting
9/14/2015

Those Present:

Others:

Teresa Foreman: Recorder
Pete Pate: Public Works

Mayor: Joe Hobbs

Council members:

Jeff Mitchell
Jill Prewitt
Carolyn Blackmon: absent
Floyd Hescoock
Gaylor Hescoock
Mark Cobb

Mayor: Joe Hobbs

Mayor Joe Hobbs read the opening statement:

It is the 14th day of September, 2015, and the time is 6:30. As presiding officer, I hereby call this regular meeting of the Chiloquin City Council to Order. Please note that this meeting is being recorded. Following the confirmation and approval of the agenda the council will consider business coming before it.

Public input shall be limited to matters pertaining to the business of the City, and to the transactions of City business. In the event you have matters of personal business, or issues involving personality or performance they should be submitted in writing to the City Hall office to be forwarded to the City Council for further review. Under no circumstance is public input or comment permitted during the period of council deliberation.

During the period of public input, public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person, no more than ten (10) minutes per topic. Maximum time for all public input shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes total.

As presiding officer I reserve the right to limit all input and to rule 'out of order' persons, whom by testimony are deemed to be abusive, disruptive or obscene. In addition I shall not accept testimony of a discrediting nature.

Roll Call: Jill Prewitt, Mark Cobb, Gaylor Hescoock and Floyd Hescoock. (Mitchell was not yet here.)

We do have a quorum; I officially call this meeting to order.

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Motion to accept the agenda was made by council member F. Hescock, seconded by council member Cobb. Ayes: Prewitt, Cobb, G. Hescock and F. Hescock.

Motion passed.

Council member Mitchell arrived.

Motion to accept and dispense with the reading of the minutes of 08/25/2015 as presented was made by council member Cobb, seconded by council member F. Hescock. Ayes: Prewitt, Cobb, Mitchell, G. Hescock and F. Hescock.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve the bills as presented for 9/14/15 in the amount \$12,826.60 was made by council member F. Hescock, seconded by council member Cobb. Ayes: Cobb, Prewitt, Mitchell, G. Hescock and F. Hescock.

Motion passed.

City Correspondence:

- A. Kathleen Erion: Thank you!: Kathleen thanked the City for keeping the water system working. There had been a water line break and she appreciated our public works department working hard to get water back on ASAP.
- B. Klamath Co. Commissioners: Press Release: Klamath Co. Sheriff Skrah being arraigned. 9 counts of physical abuse. Nothing has been proven against the sheriff.

Discussion.
- C. Early Literacy: Sign ribbon cutting invitation: The reader board will be officially recognized and there will be a signing of the declaration of cooperation on Wednesday at 2:00.
- D. Jeremy Morris: Skate Park Contact: Discussion about the point of contact. Jeremy will be glad to be a help but he feels he should not be the point of contact. That should be the City.
Discussion. Council decided the recorder should be the contact.
- E. Sprague River Water System Users: Warning: This is an FYI. The City of Sprague River water system had a bad report so they are boiling their water.

Discussion. It will be re-tested. Many times a bad test comes through it is operator error.

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F. Randy Baley: Safety Fair. This is a safety fair being held on the parking lot of Home Depot. It used to be at the fairgrounds, in Klamath Falls. It will be Saturday Sept. 19.

G. Area Events Calendar: Quite an extensive calendar of events. The recorder included this in the packet for council members to view upcoming events in the basin.

Motion to accept the City Correspondence was made by council member F. Hescock, seconded by council member Prewitt. Ayes: Mitchell, Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Prewitt.

Motion passed.

Mayors Report: Mayor Hobbs shared newspaper articles. One was about benches in Eugene. This council has been discussing placing benches around Chiloquin. He shared this article for information. One thing is that the benches need to be out in the open.

An issue that has been brought to the Mayors attention is dogs barking.

Discussion.

Skunks. There seems to be a lot of skunks. The Mayor would like to point out to the community that garbage, cat food and dog food need to be kept up. Those things lure skunks in to the area.

Discussion about trapping. Also, getting dumpsters for the wet garbage. This might help.

More discussion.

The recorder asked if the council would be willing to pay for another dump day that would be for wet garbage. She would help on a Saturday to ensure only City residents participate. Also, there are individuals that could help get the word out.

This is a council decision. The recorder has had more complaints this year than ever before.

Council member Prewitt pointed out that we need to follow up with violations.

The Mayor stated that his other issue is about making our City look a little more inviting. He would like to help the businesses be able to have more window view. He stated several ideas. Vandalism and robberies have made businesses close in their buildings.

Discussion. Maybe a few murals and retouching the existing murals. He would like to see a shingle at the complex that has the Post office with business names on it. A sign at the City Park would be nice.

Motion to approve the Mayor report was made by council member Prewitt, seconded by council member F. Hescock. Ayes: Prewitt; Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Mitchell.

Motion passed.

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Engineer report: Jeremy Morris. The décor the Mayor is talking about is a positive thing for the City. A lot of the smaller Cities are drying up. They need the economic development in the form of beautification. Boarded up buildings deter people from shopping in the City and/ or developing their own business in that City.

The water master plan draft will be submitted at the end of the month. Jeremy would like to see an infrastructure workshop. Discuss what the City has and what it needs. Discern a goal.

Discussion.

The council set the workshop for Nov. 5th at 2PM.

Jeremy brought a copy of the SCA engineering contract.

Discussion.

Motion to approve the Engineer report was made by council member Cobb, seconded by council member F. Hescock. Ayes: Prewitt; Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Mitchell.

Motion passed.

Public Works Report.

Finished the lightening arrester at the water tank. Looked at state surplus for vehicles. We have some paper work to fill out and then will pursue. He will bring info back in a few meetings.

There have been a few water line breaks due to outside contractors hitting a line as they dig.

Accidents happen. The locates were done but not all can be detected. The water masterplan will help with this in the future.

The parts are here for the waterline extension on N. Lalo and Chinchalo.

A thing Pete wants the council to look at is the City easements. A lot of lines are going underground, such as telephone, electricity and fiber optics. This is eating up our Easements. The engineer is going to help look for other City's rules and regulations considering this.

There was a lot of damage in the park restrooms this last weekend. Fireworks were set off in the restrooms and the plumbing was broken. Smoke damage etc. Fortunately the damage isn't expensive to repair.

Discussion.

Council decided the bathrooms can only be open during regular business hours. The public works will open when they come to work and then lock as they leave.

Motion to accept the Public Works report was made by council member F. Hescock seconded by council member Cobb. Ayes: Mitchell, Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Prewitt.

Motion passed.

Recorders Report: The recorder asked the council about the next council meeting. It is only one week away. Would they like to put it off for another week or keep it for next week.

Council consensus is that we keep it to the regular date. That would be next week.

There will be a work shop on the 17th at 9AM. This is about the marijuana issue and Phil Studenberg will be here.

Motion to accept the City Recorder Report was made by council member Cobb seconded by council member Prewitt. Ayes: Mitchell, Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Prewitt.

Motion Passed.

Old Business: None (was discussed in the meeting during earlier reports.)

Marijuana Moratorium: Discussed earlier about the workshop.

New Business: None

Public input: None

Motion to adjourn was made by council member. F. Hescock, seconded by council member Cobb. Ayes: Mitchell, Cobb, G. Hescock, F. Hescock and Prewitt.

7:40 meeting adjourned.

Signed

Joe Hobbs, Mayor

Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder

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