

MINUTES
STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017
STANFIELD COUNCIL CHAMBERS
150 WEST COE AVENUE

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Stanfield City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Tom McCann at the Stanfield City Council Chambers, located at 150 West Coe Avenue, Stanfield, Oregon.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Mayor McCann and Councilors Pam McSpadden, Don Tyrrell, Susan Whelan, Del Manley, Jason Sperr, and Jack Huxoll. City Staff present were City Manager Blair Larsen, Public Works Director Scott Morris, Finance Director Jerry Carlson, and Librarian Cecili Longhorn.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor McCann led the audience and members of the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 17, 2017

Mayor McCann approved the minutes for the October 17, 2017 council meeting as corrected.

UPDATE ON ODOR ISSUES AT 405 N. HOOSIER LANE

Mr. Larsen said that he thought everything was on track. Mr. Marc Johnson said that everything is on track for the new air scrubber to be delivered and installed the last week of November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Court: None.

Public Works/Building: Mr. Morris said that they are finished blowing out all the sprinklers and winterizing. He said that he is working on the City's Tree City USA reports. He said he is still waiting on numbers for the Public Works storage building. He said that the cost of a pole barn came back much higher than expected, and it looks like it may be cheaper to erect a steel building, but it will be February at the earliest before it gets started, because it takes 6 to 8 weeks for delivery, and a lot depends on the weather. The Council and staff discussed potential improvement at 170 S. Main. Mr. Larsen said that he put out a draft prioritization list with some bid numbers, and asked the Council if they would like any changes to that list. Mr. Larsen said that previous discussions had resulted in the current plan to make a list of necessary improvements and incrementally improve the property until it either sold, or was in the condition that the City could use it as a Council Chambers and expanded City Hall. Councilor Sperr suggested moving the floor plan down on the priority list below the bathroom.

Finance/Administrative: None.

Safety: None.

Library: Librarian Cecili Longhorn presented the Library's 2017 Oregon Public Library Statistical Report. She said that the number of patrons are up, even though many were deleted. The number of books has dropped, because many were discarded recently, and lots of things that weren't circulating were removed. She said that Inter-Library loans went up, and more items are being sent out than brought in. Digital lending has dropped slightly, as has computer use, but use of Wi-Fi has increased. She also said that youth programs have gone up. She said the library's goals are to advertise what is available, increase training, assess what services are needed, and

add more adult and young adult programs. She said that the paperback exchange was previously counted as a service, but the state library didn't want it counted. She said that she didn't count it this year, so some numbers have dropped because of that.

Councilors Huxoll and Manley moved and seconded to approve all committee reports. Ayes: McSpadden, Tyrrell, Whelan, Manley, Sperr and Huxoll. Nays: None. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Scott Challis asked about the school district property tax problem, and the development letters that were sent out recently. Mayor McCann suggested bringing questions about the school district's property taxes to the school board meetings. Mr. Challis asked about the cost of utilities to a lot. Mr. Larsen said that the Systems Development Charge is still \$5,400. Mr. Larsen said that the intent of the letter is to get as much information as possible in case interested parties contact the City about development opportunities. Mr. Larsen and Mr. Challis discussed the development potential of his property. Mr. Challis also asked about livestock permits and burning. Mr. Larsen explained the livestock permits and permissible recreational fires.

Cecili Longhorn asked about code enforcement issues, and the complaint process.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Larsen asked if the Council would like to have a second meeting in November. The consensus was to have the next meeting on December 5th. Mayor McCann asked about anything new on the old Jesse James club. Mr. Larsen said that there have not been any developments.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

Councilor Tyrrell mentioned that there is a new business coming in. Mr. Larsen explained that some gentlemen came in to apply for a business permit at the building on Main Street next to Bard Park for a photography business.

Councilor Whelan thanked the Councilors Huxoll and Manley, Mayor McCann and Mr. Carlson for the service in the military. She said she saw their names listed in the League of Cities article.

Councilor Sperr thanked Mr. Morris and Mr. Larsen for the help for the painting project. He said that it was successful and went smoothly. He also thanked Cecili Longhorn and the volunteers that made the fall festival a success.

Mayor McCann said that after the first of the year, he will be starting on a new project that will be good for the people of Stanfield.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to consider, Mayor McCann adjourned the regular meeting of November 7, 2017 at 7:37 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for December 5, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. Blair Larsen, City Manager/Recorder

Attest: _____

Date of Approval: _____

Mayor