

MINUTES  
STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015  
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 Tom McCann and Councilors Pam McSpadden, Don Tyrrell, Lynn Weathermon, Del Manley, Jack Huxoll, and Jason Sperr. Also present were City Manager Blair Larsen, Public Works Director Scott Morris, Police Chief Bryan Zumwalt, and Finance Director Jerry Carlson.

FLAG SALUTE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

Mayor Tom McCann approved the minutes for the September 15, 2015 council meeting as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Court: There were no comments on the Court report. Chief Zumwalt reported that things have been busy, and that several cases have been very time consuming. He said that the department partnered with ODOT to do truck inspections again, and that it was more successful than last year.

Public Works/Building: Mr. Morris said that they are taking care of odds and ends before winter, including some painting and water leaks. He reported that they added some boulders to Stage Gulch, as some erosion had been occurring. Mayor McCann asked what ODOT has been doing on the hill. Mr. Morris said that they have been doing some shoulder work. He also said that the paving is done on Stanfield Avenue for the new truck repair shop, and all the sewer and water utilities are in. He reported that his nephew is volunteering with the City for a year to get experience for his certification.

Finance/Administrative: Councilors Sperr and Weathermon moved to approve the bills for the month of September in the amount of \$132,899.36 as funds become available. Ayes: McSpadden, Tyrrell, Weathermon, Manley, Huxoll, and Sperr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Councilor Sperr asked Mr. Carlson why the line for Echo Bail payable was negative, and if that was normal. Mr. Carlson said that he would look into it.

Councilors Sperr and Huxoll moved and seconded to approve the finance report for July 2015. Ayes: McSpadden, Tyrrell, Weathermon, Manley, Huxoll, and Sperr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Councilors Sperr and Weathermon moved and seconded to approve the finance report for August 2015. Ayes: McSpadden, Tyrrell, Weathermon, Manley, Huxoll, and Sperr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Safety: None.

Library: None.

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

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Larsen said that City Hall would be painted soon, and he needed to pick a color. He said that he would like something neutral on the walls, and a color on the awning roof. He invited the

councilors to look through the color palette and give their opinion on the color. He also reported on negotiations for the purchase of the building next to City Hall: he said that he suggested that they donate the property, and that the City could not pay more than \$60,000. He said that he is waiting to hear back from the owners. He said that the cost of a new roof and remediation of the mold should cost \$31,000.

Mr. Larsen said that he is still working on the application to ODOT for Main Street improvements, and said that he will need a formally adopted plan for that application. He said he would have a Main Street plan for the Council to adopt at the first meeting in November.

Councilor Huxoll asked if he had heard anything new on the school district property that is intended for the Umatilla Housing Authority's development. Mr. Larsen said that the housing authority reported that they did not receive the necessary funding, but that they will reapply in January, and should know in April or May if they are successful. He said that the executive director of the housing authority had reported that the rules for this latest round of funding were such that no rural area could qualify, and that he had complained about that, and was told that the rules would be changed again in January.

Councilor McSpadden asked about Panoramic Ridge. Mr. Larsen reported that the documents had been signed, but he did not know when construction would start. He said that the builder is aware of the deadline.

Councilor Sperr asked where the funding would come from for the purchase of the building next to City Hall. Mr. Larsen said that it would either come from a loan from a bank, or a loan from the City's enterprise funds. He said it is also an option to refinance the loan for City Hall to cover the new building. He said that he would bring options back to the council. The Council then discussed the possibility of selling the current council chambers.

Mr. Larsen said that the owner of the old Purple Pub had contacted him and declared their intention to open a restaurant and bar there, under the name "Stanfield Tavern." He said that they need to get the fire suppression system in the kitchen overhauled before they could serve food.

Mayor McCann asked how the truck parking lot is working out. Chief Zumwalt said that two trucks are using it, and that he has heard no complaints.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

Councilor Tyrrell thanked Scott for getting the pump stations painted. He said that he would like city staff to work with the Senior Center to get that building painted, that it has not been painted since it was built 30 years ago.

Councilor Weathermon asked about the truck shops being built. Mr. Larsen said the truck repair shop and truck wash is nearing completion, but he doubted that the solo truck wash would ever open.

Councilor Huxoll asked if things had improved at the cemetery. Mr. Morris said that the Cemetery District hired someone new, and that things were looking much better up there, and no more complaints had been received.

Mayor McCann thanked Councilor Tyrrell for standing in for him at the last Council meeting, and for cleaning up around the City entrance signs.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to consider, Mayor Tom McCann adjourned the regular meeting of October 6, 2015 at 7:23 p.m., with the next meeting scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

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W. Blair Larsen, City Manager/Recorder

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

Date of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_