

City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes April 27, 2021

Mayor: Robert Duncan, Presiding

Councilors Present: Robert Boese, Adam Keaton, Kim Downey, Randy Klemm and

Charlotte Thomas

Councilors Absent: Mike Caughey

Staff Present: City Administrator Michele Eldridge, Public Works Director Chuck

Scholz, and Finance Officer/Deputy Recorder Cathy Nelson

Meeting Location: Harrisburg Municipal Center @ 354 Smith St.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL by Mayor, Robert Duncan at the hour of 6:31pm

CONCERNED CITIZEN(S) IN THE AUDIENCE. Those present were there for items on the agenda.

LCSO REPORT: Capt. Michelle Duncan reviewed crime statistics for Harrisburg. She explained how the dashboard works for crimes and how to find information that the City Council has shown interest. Showed council the crime comparison for LYTD to YD for 7 cities.

- Duncan asked about property crimes and if they tended to be local. Capt. Duncan replied that the property crimes tend to be done by more transient or out of town offenders. If it is done by a local person, the trend is it is reoccurring. The District Attorney is trying to get property crime offenders more time charged per offence.
- Downey stated that Linn County seems more diligent and stricter over other counties. Capt. Duncan said they are working on a resource guide. She left some with staff. The guide covers all services in Linn County.

COBURG POLICE REPORT: Chief Larry Larsen was present for the meeting and handed out a copy of the report to Council. Duncan shared his appreciation for the pictures showing the violations. Chief Larson reviewed the Quarterly report with City Council.

- Duncan asked about violations for parking on wrong side of the street. Chief Larsen said that they had tagged several.
- Eldridge pointed out that the pictures attached to the report were of the property located at 790 Burton. The city has liens from violations on this property that equal

- more than the house is worth. The city is looking into possibly vacating the home and taking possession. No one is currently living there.
- Chief Larson added that weed violations are moving up in priority due to dry weather conditions.

NEW BUSINESS

THE MATTER OF A BRIEF DISCUSSION IN RELATION TO THE NLC SERIVE LINE WARRANTY PROGRAM

STAFF REPORT: Eldridge reminded Council that they had seen this program before and was not interested then. The city has received more information and is bringing it back for consideration. NLC is a private company who offers services to residents. They do offer a revenue share program with cities. Eldridge asked Council if they wanted more information and have a meeting with NLC. The council agreed that they were still not interested. They noted that the same services are covered by common insurance companies. The city can use utility billings to educate the public on what is the property owners' responsibilities regarding service lines. The council did not want to refer any resident to any one company.

OTHER ITEMS

- Scholz gave an update on the Water Treatment Plant Design. Designs are currently at 90%. Scholz gave presentation showing the new well #10 on the north side of town.
 - Klemm asked how far down the depth is for well #8. Scholz said it as around 300ft deep.

Scholz continued the presentation and showed the new treatment building and tank on the south side of town. HE noted that the plans include and are for self-made chlorine.

- Keaton asked in the four (4) extra banks were for expansion. He wanted clarification on what would happen if we needed to go past the extra four (4) banks, do we just add more? Scholz said if we go past the extra four (4) banks we would need a new building. We can safely treat 7000 with what we have designed. Keaton asked how much the metal tank holds that we currently have, is it half-a-million? Scholz stated that it was one (1) million. We will be replacing it with concrete and will need to decide what to do with it later.
- Eldridge reported that we need to appoint someone as the Alt to the CWACT.

 Adam Keaton is out current primary. Consensus is to have Michele Eldridge be the Alternative.
- Keaton stated that Linn County is going back to the extreme Covid level on Friday. He asked if we still have a State of Emergency in place. If we do, can we drop the Declaration of Emergency. Eldridge said she would have to research that subject.
- Eldridge gave the alternate route for the 4th of July parade which use local streets. She is expecting to have upset residents because we moved the route. She emphasized that this is a local event focusing on the Tri-Cities. We will do a "candy wagon" to distribute candy. We are looking for candy donations.
 - Duncan asked if this was plan A. If things change with the state, are we going back to Highway 99? Eldridge said we are moving forward with this route. We are also doing a car-hop event on Saturday.
 - Klemm asked is we were still doing fireworks. Eldridge said yes. We are doing bigger fireworks that will go up higher in the sky.
- Nelson said she was going to be gone for the next Council Meeting. She asked if Council wanted to discuss the 3rd Quarter Expense Report as planned or move it

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- the next Work Session where she would be available for questions. Council decided to move it the next Work Session.
- Duncan stated that he would be gone the first two (2) weeks of May and possibly June.
- Keaton said he was going to be gone sometime in June.
- Klemm thanked the Council and staff for the card and flowers.

ADJOURN: The City Council adjourned the meeting at the hour of 7:46pm.	
Mayor	City Recorder