

CITY OF LA PINE, OREGON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 5:30 PM

La Pine City Hall: 16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739 via Zoom

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting begins at 5:33 p.m.

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

PRESENT

Mayor Daniel Richer

Councilor Don Greiner

Councilor Connie Briese

Councilor Colleen Scott

Councilor Mike Shields

STAFF

City Manager Melissa Bethel

Public Works Manager Jake Obrist

City Recorder Robin Neace

3. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

Any matters added to the Agenda at this time will be discussed during the "Other Matters" portion of this Agenda or such time selected by the City Council

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Information concerning the matters listed within the Consent Agenda has been distributed to each member of the City Council for reading and study, is considered to be routine, and will be enacted or approved by one motion of the City Council without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired concerning a particular matter listed within the Consent Agenda, that matter may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda by request of any member of the City Council.

a. City Council Meeting Minutes

i. 6.17.2020 Special Meeting Minutes

ii. 6.24.2020 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

iii. 6.24.2020 Joint Meeting with DCBOCC Minutes

b. TRT Payment to Visitor Center

Councilor Scott noted a technical change to the minutes to add her name as attending a meeting. Councilor Greiner also noted a typo in the minutes.

Motion made by Councilor Greiner, Seconded by Councilor Shields

Voting Yea: Councilor Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields

5. SLED ADVISORY BOARD CHANGE OF APPOINTMENT- ACTION ITEM

Change of Council SLED Advisory Board appointment from Councilor Shields to Councilor Scott due to a better fit in scheduling.

Motion made by Councilor Greiner, Seconded by Councilor Shields

Voting Yea: Councilor Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields

6. LA PINE PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT- FINLEY BUTTE PARK WATER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING- ACTION ITEM

Bethel notes that this MOU is entered into every year with the Park District in order for the City to donate water to the Park District for Finley Butte Park. This years MOU is modified to only donate 2 million gallons, which, according to Obrist, is in like with the Park's District actual usage for irrigation at the park. MOU will be in effect from July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021. Councilor Briese questioned how much the Park District usually uses, and Obrist noted that only once when there was a leak did the Park District use anywhere near 2 million gallons.

Motion made by Councilor Shields, Seconded by Councilor Scott

Voting Yea: Councilor Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields

7. CENTRAL OREGON INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES- ACTION ITEM

Bethel notes that the City has an opportunity to use the COIC legal counsel at a reduced rate from the City Attorney. Mayor also noted that in the future, COIC may be able to be used a municipal judge if the City's code ever allows for that.

Motion made by Councilor Greiner, Seconded by Councilor Scott

Voting Yea: Councilor Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields

8. TRANSPORTATION SDC PRESENTATION

Presentation by Steve Donovan re: Transportation SDC. Contents reflected in Packet Documents.

Councilor Greiner asks Donovan to clarify if this SDC is based on study of projected growth from several years ago, or the current one. Donovan states that it is the current projection.

Councilor Greiner asks for clarification on the Recommended schedule of Transportation SDCs slide about recreational homes. Greiner thinks that single family and recreational should be the same. Donovan notes that Deschutes County disagrees, but that the City could always make a different policy decision than Deschutes County.

Mayor Richer asks for clarification is the City of La Pine's Water and Sewer SDCs are larger than surrounding cities. Donovan agrees that the fees are higher in order to increase capacity, noting that the SDC plan is working.

Councilor Greiner wants to know if the City is doing information meetings for the public. Donovan states that the statute does not require it, as the City has already given the public notice through publication in local newspapers and the website.

Mayor Richer does not support raising the SDCs any more than what has been proposed. Emphasizes that the City stays in line with other local cities.

Councilor Briese is a little concerned about how much higher the proposed SDC is in comparison with other similarly situated cities. The SDCs does affect where people are choosing to build.

Mayor Richer asks why ODOT isn't footing some of this bill as with Sisters. Donovan notes that even though Highway 97 runs through town, ODOT does not have facilities that depend on city roads in town, unlike places like Sisters.

Councilor Greiner does not think the fees are out of line at all, but also notes that the fees are not permanent and can be changed at any time.

Councilor Scott questions the rate of the SDC as compared to surrounding areas, including Redmond. Donovan emphasizes that our SDCs are based on the City's costs, not on surrounding cities costs.

9. COVID-19 UPDATE PRESENTATION

COVID-19 presentation pushed until next meeting

Bethel notes new restrictions from governor:

- Limiting outdoor gathering to 100 people; indoor gathering to 50 people; social gathering to 10 people.
- Bars and restaurants closed at 10:00 pm.

10. PUBLIC EVENT PERMITS- DISCUSSION

Bethel gives a staff reporting, questioning what the Council wants to do with even permits, asking if they prefer a case by case decision or a blanket denial until a certain date.

Councilor Briese believes that the City should do their best to help facilitate events and put the expectations to social distancing plans on the website. She emphasizes it is the City's job to educate the public.

Mayor Richer suggests that the City put up a sample social distancing plan on the website. Bethel emphasizes that a sample social distancing plan does not exist at the present, but other cities may have examples. Mayor Richer wants citizens to be able to get Permits.

Councilor Greiner states that he sees a lot of individuals, especially those from out of town, not following the governor's orders and guidelines and the City should keep this in mind when approving Event Permits.

Councilor Scott generally agrees with Councilor Greiner assessment.

It is agreed that the City will assess each Event Permit on a case by case basis.

11. OTHER MATTERS

Only Items that were previously added above in the Added Agenda Items will be discussed.

Planning File 04-FPR20 review.

Bethel notes that under new Code, these decisions must go through City Council.

Motion made by Councilor Scott, Seconded by Councilor Greiner.

Voting Yea: Councilor Greiner, Councilor Briese, Councilor Scott, Councilor Shields

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Three (3) minutes per person; when asked to the podium, please state your name and whether you live within La Pine city limits.

No public comment.

13. STAFF COMMENTS

Bethel touches on the following topics:

- TGM Grant is moving forward, being ghost written by the County.
- County gave the lift station land to the City.
- Multiuse Path seems to be a sticking point with the County Commissioners. County Commissioners requested a presentation from the City and another joint meeting.

14. MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Scott noted that the Wickiup parking lot looks great, as well as the BiMart landscaping.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.