

CITY OF LA PINE, OREGON
CITY OF LA PINE & BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOINT MEETING

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM
La Pine Senior Center: 16450 Victory Way, La Pine, OR 97739

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

PRESENT

Mayor Daniel Richer
Council President Don Greiner
Councilor Connie Briese (via telephone)
Councilor Colleen Scott
Councilor Mike Shields

ABSENT

Student Councilor Max Miller

COUNTY COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Patti Adair
Commissioner Anthony DeBone
Commissioner Phil Henderson

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Melissa Bethel
City Public Works Manager Jacob Obrist
City Planner Tammy Wisco
City Recorder Robin Neace
County Administrator Tom Anderson
County Deputy Director of Public Health Nahad Sadr-Azodi
County Health Services Director George Conway, MD, MPH
County Community Development Director Nick Lelack
County Property Management Manager Kristie Bollinger

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. 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

5. GREATER LA PINE COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

Oregon Department of Forestry Stewardship Forester Boone Zimmerlee gave a presentation discussing the general Wildfire Protection Plan and outlining the effort between communities to create the plan. Zimmerlee noted that the plan was a goal, not a binding document. The plan was ready for signatures, but both the Council and Commissioners agreed to sign after further review.

6. NEWBERRY NEIGHBORHOOD MASTER PLAN (TGM GRANT) APPLICATION

Powerpoint presentation by Lelak, Bollinger, and Bethel. Lelak gave a general history of the property, including that the County acquired the property in 2001. Portions have been sold for development, including Crescent Creek Neighborhood. There are approximately 368 remaining acres. The County and City has collaborated on an area planning effort that will inform the future design and use of those remaining acres.

In that vein, the City and County are working together to apply for a Transportation Growth Management Grant (TGM). The purpose of the program is to help local jurisdictions plan for streets and land uses to lead to more livable, sustainable, and economically vital communities. The grant is from DLCDC and ODOT, and requires a 12% match.

The application deadline for grant submittal is July 31, 2020, and the recommendation is \$250,000. Grant award announcements will come in September 2020. The Grant must be used within two years.

7. LA PINE REQUEST FOR LAND GRANT TO UTILIZE SEWER LIFT STATION

County Administrator Anderson said that all were in agreement that the land should be used by the City for the lift station. The City and County landed on a tentative location that was unlikely to be developed. Anderson noted that the City and County had a breakdown of communication about moving forward with the land grant. Anderson was not aware that the engineering had already been completed on the project. Anderson noted that permanent easements and land donations are functionally the same thing.

Commissioner Adair noted that she wanted to get the matter settled.

Obrist noted that the original request was not for a permanent easement, but for a conveyance of land. Obrist also noted that the footprint of the lift station would be minimal, and would be chain link fence not barbed wire.

Councilor Scott noted that this lift station was integral to the neighborhood and wanted a firm date as to when the Commissioners would make a decision on the matter. Commissioner DeBone indicated they would make it a priority.

The Commissioners noted that they had not heard of this request before today. They promised to consider the issue quickly, so that the City could move forward with their project.

8. COVID-19 UPDATE

PowerPoint presentation by George A. Conway, MD, MPH. Dr. Conway gave a presentation on the current state of the COVID-19 outbreak in Deschutes County. Dr. Conway emphasized the importance of everyone wearing a mask.

Jamie Donahue with the La Pine Senior Center questioned the use of masks while her volunteers were cooking meals. Dr. Conway advised that if anyone is too frail to be affected by wearing a mask, they should not be working.

9. WICKIUP JUNCTION REFINEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Bethel states that council is up to date on the issue and that tomorrow night is an online presentation. There is a set of recommendations. The plan is pretty stabilized at this point in time. Staff emphasized it was important everyone contribute their opinion to the open house.

10. OTHER MATTERS

11. 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 comments.

12. STAFF COMMENTS

13. MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS

Commissioner DeBone informed council and the public that there was a spot on the Planning Commission open for a member of the public from the south county.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.