



CITY OF MYRTLE CREEK

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: August 2, 2022

PLACE: Council Chambers, 207 NW Pleasant St., Myrtle Creek, Oregon

PRESIDING OFFICER: Mayor Matthew Hald

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Councilors: Bill Burnett, Susan Harris, Kathi Otero, Angie Criss

COUNCILORS ABSENT:

A quorum was present throughout the meeting.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: City Administrator Lonnie Rainville, City Recorder Joanna Bilbrey

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Matthew Hald called the August 2, 2022 meeting to order at 5:30 PM

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

No presentations.

CONSENT AGENDA

Part 1

Motion was made by Councilor Burnett and seconded by Councilor Harris to approve the Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2022 as presented. Discussion: None

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 846 – SECOND READ

Motion was made by Councilor Harris to approve the second read of Ordinance 846 – An Ordinance Amending Myrtle Creek Municipal Code, Title 18 (Zoning), Chapter 18.45 C-1 Central Business District, Chapter 18.50 C-2 Neighborhood District, and Chapter 18.75.130 Marijuana Land Uses, Amending Ordinances 508 and 807. Motion was seconded by Councilor Otero. Discussion: none

Vote: **Motion passed unanimously.**

Resolution 22-15

During the last City Council meeting Resolution 22-12 was passed by City Council. The resolution referred to the electors the question of banning psilocybin manufacturing and service centers within the

City of Myrtle Creek. The next day Douglas County released their ballot title which had wording in conflict with the cities. In order to reduce voter confusion it was determined that our language should be changed to match the county's ballot question.

Motion was made by Councilor Harris to approve Resolution No. 22-15 – A Resolution Amending the Ballot Title Referring to the Electors of the City of Myrtle Creek the Question Concerning Psilocybin-Related Businesses within the City of Myrtle Creek. Motion was seconded by Councilor Criss.

Discussion: none

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

Council Notebooks

New state regulation has designated City Council member notes as public record. City Administrator Lonnie Rainville read a summary of the case that created this new law and presented to each Councilor a notebook. By keeping notes in one place we will be prepared in the event of a records request. The notebooks will be kept at City Hall.

Small Cities Allotment Grant revisited

During the last meeting the streets were selected for the 2023 Small Cities Allotment Grant. The engineering estimates have come back at almost double what was expected because of the state of the streets. City Administrator Lonnie Rainville presented the option for Council to split the project into two phases. The recommendation from the City Administrator is to proceed with NE Neal Lane as Phase 1

Motion was made by Councilor Burnett to follow the City Administrator's recommendation and proceed with Neal Lane as Phase 1.

Councilor Criss asked if it was possible to get a larger grant. The Small Cities Allotment Grant is capped at \$250,000 and can be applied for annually.

Motion was restated by Councilor Burnett to follow the City Administrator's recommendation and proceed with Neal Lane as Phase 1. Motion was seconded by Councilor Harris. *Discussion: Councilor Harris asked to have each phase clarified.*

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS HEARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No items presented.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

City Administrator Lonnie Rainville shared that IT support as of August 1st is being conducted by Systech, based out of Roseburg. The water plant has two skids that are operating at maximum capacity during the summer. There is a risk that if one of these were to stop running we would have to issue an emergency water rationing request. We have asked Dyer Engineering to give us the cost of putting in a third skid to prevent this. The water plant was built and plumbed for a third skid at the time of initial

construction. The mayor asked about Springbrook water plant. That plant doesn't produce enough water during the summer to meet demand.

The first draft of the Councilor Handbook has been prepared. It should be ready to present to Council within the next month. Leslie Hiscocks (Spelling) has been hired as the new Finance Manager. She will be starting on August 15, 2022. Hospital update: Marcia Merry is not granting permission to enter the property. Our City Attorney is working on getting a judges order to grant entry so that we can have an asbestos and lead abatement company do a walk throug. Sometime in September the City Administrator would like to have pictures taken of each Councilor to have on display in the Council Chambers. Councilor Burnett asked about the mowing that was completed near the effluent pond. The City Administrator shared that a neighbor came over with his tractor to remove the blackberries that were growing next to the fence separating the properties. Mayor Hald asked about the progress using untreated water from the river for watering the parks. We are still in the investigating stage for this. Councilor Criss asked about interest in the Small Business improvement grants.

MAYOR AND COUNCILOR – COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Councilor Otero shared that the library has wrapped up is summer reading program. There is a Saturday program that has started and they are hoping to have enough volunteers to have the program continue throughout the year. Councilor Harris shared that the Summer Festival committee will be having a wrap up meeting on Wednesday. Mayor Matthew Hald reminded Council that the Blood drive is August 16th. The mayor thanked the Lions Club for the work put into the Summer Festival.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Matthew Hald adjourned the regular meeting of the City Council for August 2, 2022 at 6:05 P.M.

Matthew Hald, Mayor

Attest:

Joanna Bilbrey
City Recorder