



CITY OF MYRTLE CREEK

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: February 6, 2024

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: Mayor Matthew Hald

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Councilors: Bill Burnett, Diana Larson, Luke Dillon, Robert Chaney, Sr., Susan Harris

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 February 6, 2024 meeting to order at 5:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGINACE

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

No public presentations

CITIZEN COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEM

Jennifer Hecker – 4244 Clarks Branch Road, Myrtle Creek
Spoke on South Oregon Blues Festival that was held in Winston, OR last year and a Department of Justice investigation on the funds raised.

CONSENT AGENDA

Part 1

Motion was made by Councilor Burnett and seconded by Councilor Dillon to approve the Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2024 as presented. Discussion: none followed

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

Planning Commission Application

There are two open positions currently on the Planning Commission. A Planning Commission Application was received from Bill Umphlett.

Motion was made by Councilor Chaney to appoint Bill Umphlett to the Planning Commission. Motion was seconded by Councilor Larson. Discussion: none

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

2024-2025 Budget Calendar

City Council was presented the proposed Budget Calendar for the 2024-2025 Budget Meetings. A Budget Committee Training session has been added to the calendar this year.

Motion was made by Councilor Harris to accept the 2024-25 Budget Calendar as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilor Larson. Discussion: none

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Letter from South Douglas Rodeo

South Douglas Rodeo submitted a response letter to the information received during the October 3, 2023, City Council Meeting regarding the bunny scramble event. Representatives from the rodeo were present along with audience members opposed to the bunny scramble.

Recreational Immunity FAQ

City Administrator Lonnie Rainville shared information regarding recent legal cases involving recreational immunity and possible changes to the law.

2023 Annual Report

City Administrator Lonnie Rainville shared with City Council the 2023 Annual Report. The Annual Report is included as part of the Council Packet.

Preparation Materials for Upcoming City Council Goals Meeting

City Administrator Lonnie Rainville reviewed with City Council the Goals from 2023 and the progress made.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

City Administrator Lonnie Rainville shared about the lift station upgrades. The new lift station on Riverside has been completed and is working well. Both pumps on the South Main lift station have been replaced with the same pumps as on Riverside. The North Myrtle Lift station has also been upgraded to match the same pumps and control as Riverside and Main. At the end of January the bunker in Millsite Park was broken into and had some hand tools stolen. A police report was filed and an insurance claim was opened. A reminder was given that there will be an Urban Renewal Town Hall on February 22nd at the Community Center. The City Administrator has met with Dyer Engineering on the Holly and Leon paving project. Department heads are working on the new 2024-25 proposed budget.

MAYOR AND COUNCILOR – COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Councilor Harris asked about the progress on the Rose Motel. Citizen of Year banquet will be at the Elks Lodge on March 23rd the theme is Get Your Kicks on Route 66. This is the 66th year the Chamber has held the event. Councilor Larson shared that she is still working on the Rail Road property. The Myrtle Creek Lions Club Crab Feed is this Saturday at the Grange. The Mayor thanked the audience for their presence and participation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Matthew Hald adjourned the regular meeting of the City Council for February 6, 2024 at 6:34 P.M.

Matthew Hald, Mayor

Attest:

Joanna Bilbrey
City Recorder