

**CITY OF COQUILLE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 1st, 2019**

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Simonetti, Council President Nighswonger, Councilor Layton, Councilor Rowe, Councilor Pinkston, and Councilor Wirebaugh.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Dufner, Finance Director Rowe, Fire Chief Ferren, Police Chief Sanders, Public Works Director Urban and City Recorder Stolz.

PRESS: The Sentinel

AUDIENCE: A roster of those present is on file in the City Recorder's Office

BUDGET MEETING 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Simonetti called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Simonetti wrote a speech to read to the Public on gossip. She discussed many rumors out in the public and provided answers to them.

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Layton had no comment

Councilor Nighswonger had no comment

Councilor Rowe wished everyone a Happy 4th of July in advance.

Councilor Pinkston announced the upcoming events in Coquille like National Night Out on August 6, 2019.

Councilor Parker had no comment

Councilor Wirebaugh congratulated Chuck on his retirement.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Police Chief Sanders said that there has been a guilty verdict on the murder they have been working on for over a year and he was found guilty on both counts. Chief Sanders also recalled he ended up working 254.5 hours last month.

Library Director Conner was absent

Public Works Director Urban said he received the golden email from the Marine Grant that said everything looks great on the grant. He will start requesting the monies for the grant. While working on the docks the Public Works team pulled a huge myrtle wood log out of the water and thinks it's been there for 2.5 years. Council Wirebaugh said the windows and the porch look really good at the Community Building.

Fire Department Chief Ferren announced that Fireman Sam received the 2018-19 Volunteer Firefighter of the year award. Our annual Steak Feed is August 3, 2019 steak dinners are \$20 and hotdog dinners are \$10.

Finance Director Rowe reported as of May 31, 2019 Seattle Northwest report shows the yield on cost is 2.6% and the duration is 2.55 years. She attended the BOLI Pay Equity Law conference. We have to comply with this new law and League of Oregon Cities will help us on this pay study.

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The windows and rot repair are almost completed at the Community Building.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilor Pinkston made a motion to accept the consent calendar, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion, all voted in favor motion carries.

Mayor Simonetti went over some Council Rules before the new City Manager is hired. Mayor would like to suggest to do a hand vote on every measure to make sure all are heard and City Recorder can get a clear view of the votes. Mayor called for a consensus and all Council agreed.

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Hope Grundy 377 N. Elliot- Ms. Grundy said that she lives next to a burned down house and rats have taken over the house and go on her property as well. Public Works Director Urban told her to go to a Coos County Codes Enforcement Meeting, they meet once a month and they could be of help to her. She also thanked the City Recorder for announcing meeting on Facebook.

Brandy Olmstead 1742 N. Grape Ct.- Ms. Olmstead said that the packet was not on line this time, and Mayor Simonetti answered that previously in the meeting she told the public the scanner was down. She also asked where 17th CT was? It was an error and it is 17th PL.

9. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 17TH PL TO FIR STREET TO 18TH STREET

Councilor Nighswonger recused herself from this Agenda item.

Councilor Wirebaugh made a motion affirming the City's desire to form Local Improvement Districts in general, agreeing to help with the formation of a LID to pave from 17th to 18th St., and not be bound to pave this solely at the City's cost, Councilor Pinkston seconded the motion and all agreed by the show of hands with Councilor Nighswonger recusing herself.

10. RESOLUTION 10-2019 A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CITY OF COQUILLE'S WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE.

Councilor Pinkston made a motion to pass Resolution 10-2019, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

11. SCHEDULE PUBLIC MEETINGS REGARDING UTILITY RATES

Finance Director Rowe wanted to discuss potential dates to hold public meetings and direct staff regarding what information you would like to have presented. Councilor Wirebaugh said he would like a workshop in August and Council asked City Manager to send dates to Councilors to schedule.

12. PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION 11-2019- A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LICENSE, PERMITS, AND PROCEDURES BOOK AND ADOPTING NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE CITY OF COQUILLE AND NEW RATES FOR PURCHASING CITY WATER FROM A FIRE HYDRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE RATES AND FEES CONTAINED THEREIN.

Mayor Simonetti opened the Public Hearing @ 8:18 PM

Hope Grundy from the audience would like to have information regarding the water fund and Director Rowe offered to show her if she comes in to see her.

Mayor Simonetti closed the Public Hearing at 8:21 PM

13. RESOLUTION 11-2019- A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LICENSE, PERMITS, AND PROCEDURES BOOK AND ADOPTING NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE CITY OF COQUILLE AND NEW RATES FOR PURCHASING CITY WATER FROM A FIRE HYDRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE RATES AND FEES CONTAINED THEREIN.

Councilor Wirebaugh made a motion to pass Resolution 11-2019, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion and Mayor Simonetti, Councilors Layton, Nighswonger, Pinkston, Parker and Wirebaugh voted aye, Councilor Rowe opposed. Motion passes.

14. INTERIM CITY MANAGER LETTER OF INTEREST, RESUMES, AND EMAIL

8:25 PM recessed the current meeting.

Reopened Regular Meeting at 9:19 PM

Council looked over 7 applications for Interim City Manager. Council directed City Manager Dufner to contact Milliman, Roberta Vanderwall and Kevin Urban for interviews on Monday July 8th at 3:00 PM.

15. Adjourn at 9:40 pm

City Recorder, Jennifer Stolz

Mayor, Kathryn Simonetti