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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 17, 2024

Council Present: Councilors: Jessica Ritchie, Amy Thrasher, Diane Hyde, Mike Wagner, & Mayor Lloyd Valentine

Council Absent:

Employees Present: PW Richard Berkey, LD Roxie Wilcox, CM Micki Valentine

Public Present: LCSO Lt. Brandon Fountain

Opened w/pledge: @ 6:30 pm

Roll Call: Taken

Announcements (Additions to Agenda/Conflict of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias): none

Presentations: Mayor Valentine announces the winner of the holiday lighting contest is the Wilson Family at 948 5th Street. They were not able to attend for a presentation.

Public Comment: none

Sheriff's Report: Lt. Brandon Fountain presented the LCSO quarterly report. He reported that a local car thief, currently in jail, will be released in several months. They have identified a person of interest in the Mari-Linn theft. He exits at 6:45 pm.

Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes November 19, 2024 and Bills Paid November 19, 2024 – December 17, 2024. *Councilor Hyde motioned to approve – Councilor Wagner second – all in favor – none opposed – approved.*

Public Comment: none

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

- **Resolution 605-2024** – Pacific Sanitation Rate Increase effective January 1, 2025 – *Councilor Wagner motioned to approve – Councilor Thrasher second – all in favor – none opposed – approved.*
- **Pre-Implementation Compliance Measures (PICM) Update** – FEMA was notified of the Council's decision to use the Model Ordinance. However, due to not being able to adopt the ordinance by December 1, 2024, we have been defaulted to the permit-by-permit method until the ordinance is adopted. It will go to the Planning Commission for a public hearing in February then back to Council for a public hearing and formal adoption.

- **Pole Banners** – ODOT has denied due to the design on the banner so we will have to resubmit with a different design and a new application. Due to the 30-day application processing time, we will not resubmit this year. We will try again for next year. ODOT requires a new application every time the banner is changed out. Linn County Road Department did approve. Pacific Power is still reviewing our request.
- **Election Results & Certification** – Reviewed the results of the election. Diane Hyde and Mike Wagner were elected to their councilor positions. The write-in candidate for mayor who had the most votes was Mike Wagner. He has accepted the mayor's position and declined the councilor position. *Councilor Ritchie motioned to accept the certified results – Councilor Thrasher second – motion passed with all in favor.*
- **Safe Routes to School Update** – The quarterly report was completed in December. Civil West modified the plans and submitted to ODOT, who is in the process of reviewing the modified plans. Requested reimbursement for Civil West expenses.
- **Park Project** – The swing has been installed and cedar bark chips added to the expanded area.

New Business:

- **2025 Calendars** – The council calendar and budget calendar are reviewed. The budget committee meeting is scheduled for May 13th.

Correspondence:

- The Preliminary 2024 Population Estimate from Portland State University (PSU) is reviewed. The City of Lyons estimate is 1,210.

Library Director Report: Library Director Wilcox provides the report. They have a new volunteer Quinn McKim. While working on the State report, she noted that there were about 100 new registered users. They have three WIFI hotspots that patrons can check-out for 21 days at a time. She reported that CCRLS is modifying the service area, which will include Mill City, Gates, Detroit, and Idanha, in the Lyons service area.

City Manager Report: CM Valentine gives the report. PW Berkey cleaned graffiti off picnic tables and disposed of a dead skunk. A citizen reported a storm drain grate had fallen in. It has been replaced. One burial scheduled. The light has been repaired for the library ramp. The ramp gets slippery with frost/ice. A chain has been added to close it off and a closed sign has been ordered. It was suggested to add an additional sign warning of the slippery condition. There is also a cracked window pane, which will be replaced. One building permit issued. LGIP interest went down. Working on final steps of the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. Have signed the NSSD agreement – waiting for their signature. Reminder of vacation and Friday limited hours. We received notice from OR Department of Revenue of the approval of Hafner annexation today. With that approval, Mayor Valentine has signed Ordinance 247-2024 that Council adopted March 26, 2024. No new complaints. The scholarship application reviewed. No new complaints.

Planning Commission Report: Nothing to report.

Financial Reports: No questions were asked.

Commissioner Report/Councilor Questions/Comments:

- Mayor Valentine, Cemetery – No comments to add.
- Councilor Ritchie, Library – No comments to add.
- Councilor Wagner, Building Improvements – No comments to add.
- Councilor Hyde, Police/Safety – No comments to add.
- Councilor Thrasher, Transportation, Parks & Recreation – No comments to add.

Executive Session: None

Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements:

- Councilor Wagner asks about signing authority which will be addressed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 7, 2025 @ 6:30 pm Special Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 28, 2025 @ 6:30 pm Regular Council Meeting

Adjourned @ 7:50 pm

Summarized by CM Valentine