

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF AMITY, OR
Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the City of Amity City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present

Councilor April Dyche, Councilor Sandy McArthur, Councilor Caleb Shields, Councilor Alice Thompson and Mayor Rachel King

Councilors Present via Zoom

None

Councilors Absent

Councilor Melissa Bojorquez

Staff Present

City Administrator Nathan Frarck and City Recorder Natasha Johnson

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilor Dyche moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor McArthur seconded and with no discussion motion passed 4-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- A. Yamhill County Sheriff's Report: YCSO deputy Samerdyke was present at the meeting. He updated regarding changes happening in the YCSO office and will be getting a new Sergeant, as Deputy Lavish is going to be Sergeant for Detectives. Councilor Shields asked regarding suspicious calls. Deputy Samerdyke explained what the calls mean. Mayor King asked to keep Administrator Frarck updated with the changes. There were no further comments or questions for YCSO.
- B. DIG Report: E. Rainey from DIG gave update regarding Daffodil Festival. They had a good turnout this year. Mayor King thanked them, and everyone involved. There were no comments or questions for DIG.
- C. Citizen Comments: Citizen's Jim Adkisson, Zachary Orlando Graham and Amir Rosenfeld (via zoom) all made remarks pertaining to their personal views regarding national diversity, equitable justice, and needed nationwide changes to immigration policy.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor King closed the public hearing and read the executive session script.

Council met in Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2)(e) to conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions: a potential purchase of real property and potential acquisition of easements and right of way.

Mayor King opened the public hearing back up.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Real Property Transaction: Administrator Frarck went over background regarding real property transaction and authorized specific individuals to negotiate the price and terms for the purchase of the property at 413 S. Trade. Councilor Dyche made a motion to authorize Administrator Frarck and Mayor King to negotiate the price and terms of the purchase and bring the agreement back for council approval. Councilor McArthur seconded the motion and with no discussion the motion passed 4-0.
- B. Repealing Ordinance 664: Administrator Frarck went over background regarding passing Ordinance 682 which repeals Ordinance 664. Councilor Thompson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 682, an ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 664. Councilor McArthur seconded the motion and with no discussion the motion passed 4-0.
- C. Historic Preservation Application: Administrator Frarck went over background regarding Historic Preservation Application and appointing Amity Historic Landmarks Committee Member. Applicant A. Aschim introduced himself to the Council. Councilor Dyche made a motion to appoint Allen Aschim to the Historic Landmarks Committee with a term expiring on December 31, 2025. Councilor Thompson seconded and with no discussion the motion passed 4-0.
- D. Comprehensive Plan Update/Periodic Review Contract Award: Administrator Frarck went over background regarding awarding the contract to Healthy Sustainable Communities. The city only received one proposal. Councilor Thompson made a motion to authorize Administrator Frarck to issue an intent to award the contract for the Amity Comprehensive Plan Update/Periodic review project to Healthy Sustainable Communities. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion and with no discussion the motion passed 4-0.
- E. 2024 Slurry Seals Contract Award: Mayor King went over background regarding Slurry Seals Award and awarding the contract to Pave Northwest. The city received five bids. Councilor Dyche made a motion to award the contract for the 2024 Slurry Seals project to Pave Northwest. Councilor McArthur seconded the motion and with no discussion the motion passed 4-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Administrator Report: Administrator Frarck submitted his report. He updated the council regarding the wastewater emergency that happened yesterday. Mayor King asked regarding if it is listed in the priority 1 list from cities wastewater facility plan study and if not, city should get it listed in the priority 1. He explained public works reported the wastewater spill to DEQ. There were no further comments or questions for the City Administrator.

City Recorder/Treasurer Report: Recorder Johnson submitted her report and added a donation request for Amity Youth Sports. The council were all in agreement to donate \$50 to baseball and football season. There were no further comments or questions for City Recorder.

Public Works Report: Public Work Superintendent submitted his report and was not present at the meeting. There were no comments or questions for Public Works.

Library Report: Librarian Jenkins submitted her report and was not present at the meeting. There were no comments or questions for the library.

City Engineer Billing Report: Billing report submitted. There were no comments or questions regarding billing.

City Attorney/Planner Billing Report: Billing report submitted. Mayor King asked Administrator Frarck to reach out regarding legal services invoices. There were no further comments or questions regarding billing.

BUSINESS FROM THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCILORS:

Councilor President April Dyche Comments: Councilor Dyche asked for clarification on time for the special council meeting instead of work session. The council all agreed to have a special council meeting in lieu of work session and to keep the time to 5:30. here were no comments for Councilor Dyche.

Councilor Sandy McArthur Comments: Councilor McArthur had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor McArthur.

Councilor Bojorquez Comments: Councilor Bojorquez was not present at the meeting. There were no comments for Councilor Bojorquez.

Councilor Shields Comments: Councilor Shields had nothing to report. There were no comments for Councilor Shields.

Councilor Thompson Comments: Councilor Thompson asked for an update regarding the complaint with the park host. He explained public works went and talked to the park host and he is going to replace the hose and trying to figure out a solution regarding the noise. Mayor King suggested how to check the noise level. Councilor Shields suggested wireless headphones. Mayor King let the council know when complaints are sent to council she always follows up with complainant. There were no comments for Councilor Thompson.

Mayor King Comments: Mayor King reminded citizens that there is still a vacancy on council. She updated the council regarding the complaint that was filed and included in the packet that this is an ongoing complaint regarding this issue. Her personal recommendation is to not approve temporary camping permit if they file one.

She asked for RSVP from council regarding the upcoming tour of the water plant on Friday. She updated regarding HB 4134 hasn't been officially signed by the Governor, but the formal signing and ceremonial signing will be coming up and council are all invited to attend the ceremonial signing. There were no comments for Mayor King.

Councilor Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:16pm. Councilor McArthur seconded and with no discussion motion passed 4-0.

Approved by the City May 1, 2024

Rachel King, Mayor

Attest:

Natasha Johnson, City Recorder