



CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

April 09, 2024, 6:30 PM
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street
Sweet Home, OR 97386

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Susan Coleman
President Pro Tem Greg Mahler
Councilor Lisa Gourley
Councilor Angelita Sanchez
Councilor Josh Thorstad
Councilor Dave Trask

ABSENT

Councilor Dylan Richards

STAFF

Kelcey Young, City Manager
Angela Clegg, Tourism & Economic Development Coordinator
Megan Dazey, Library Services Director
Adam Leisinger, Communications Manager
Jason Ogden, Police Chief
Cecily Hope Pretty, Administrative Services Director
Robert Snyder, City Attorney
Greg Springman, Public Works Director

MEDIA

Shayla Escudero, Albany Democrat-Herald

GUESTS

Sydney Dominy, "If I Were Mayor..." local contest winner
Emma Davis, "If I Were Mayor..." local contest runner-up

Councilor Sanchez moved to excuse the absence of Councilor Richards. President Pro Tem Mahler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Consent Agenda

- a) Request for Council Action – Appointments and Reappointment to Committees, Commission, and Board
- b) 2024 Oregon Jamboree Packet
- c) 2024 Icebox Cook Off Packet

Approval of Minutes:

- a) 2024-03-26 City Council Work Session Minutes
- b) 2024-03-26 City Council Meeting Minutes

President Pro Tem Mahler moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Trask seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of Petitions

- a) If I Were Mayor... Local Contest Awards

Mayor Coleman honored the winner of the annual local "If I Were Mayor..." contest, Sydney Dominy. She also recognized the efforts of the runner-up, Emma Davis. She noted that Sydney's essay would compete in the statewide contest and read highlights from both submissions.

- b) National Library Week Proclamation

Mayor Coleman read the proclamation declaring April 7th to April 13th National Library Week.

Old Business

There was no old business to be heard.

New Business

- a) Request for Council Action – Resolution No. 6 for 2024 – Dissolution of the All Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee

City Manager Young reviewed the history of the All Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (MPC) and noted that it had not met for several years. She added that there were other committees in place to carry on the work that had previously been assigned to the MPC and that the committee could be reformed in the future if necessary.

Councilor Sanchez moved to approve Resolution No. 6 for 2024. Councilor Trask seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

- b) Request for Council Action – Resolution No. 7 for 2024 – Citywide Stop Signs

City Manager Young stated that the stop sign locations being proposed had been reviewed and recommended by the Public & Traffic Safety Committee and covered in a previous City Council workshop. She added that additional locations identified by the City Council would be examined by staff and the Public & Traffic Safety Committee for a future recommendation.

President Pro Tem Mahler moved to approve Resolution No. 7 for 2024. Councilor Thorstad seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Reports of Committees

Mayor Coleman stated that the Community Health Committee hosted a successful meeting with local service providers and would continue to host community partners in sharing their work and resources.

Reports of City Officials

City Manager's Report

City Manager Young highlighted Arbor Day and Kid to Park Day on April 20th at Sankey Park. She noted that Opening Act Foundation would be hosting a fashion show and charity auction at City Hall on May 4th. She reviewed the City Manager goals for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Coleman noted residency exceptions for those wishing to serve on City Committees and reminded those present that the City Council did not have the power to waive residency for the Budget Committee due to state statute. She recommended that City Councilors review updated legal guidance for use of social media by government officials.

Department Director Reports

Library Services Director

- a) Library Director Report - March 2024

Director Dazey stated that the Chamber of Commerce would be hosting Pathways to Progress - Sweet Home edition, a downtown walking group that would feature community leaders.

Community and Economic Development Director

- a) Community & Economic Development Director Report - March 2024

A written report was included in the agenda packet.

Police Chief Monthly Report - March 2024

- a) Police Chief Report - March 2024

Chief Ogden thanked those who joined the Police Department for the annual Walk for the Cause.

Council Business for Good of the Order

Councilor Sanchez asked of updates for the mural solicitation. City Manager Young stated that the evaluation committee had made selections and an update would be provided to the Ad Hoc Committee on Arts & Culture.

City Manager Young stated that the pocket park next to the old City Hall building would be constructed over the next few weeks.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder