



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR APRIL 11, 2022

Present: Mayor Frank Bubenik, Council President Nancy Grimes, Councilor Bridget Brooks, Councilor Maria Reyes, Councilor Valerie Pratt, Councilor Cyndy Hillier, Councilor Christen Sacco

Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence for those who have lost their lives to COVID-19

Announcements

1. New Employee Introduction- Police Records Specialist Melissa Von

Police Chief Bill Steele introduced Police Records Specialist Melissa Von. The Council welcomed her.

2. Proclamation Declaring April 22, 2022 as Earth Day in the City of Tualatin

Councilor Brooks read the proclamation declaring April 22, 2022 as Earth Day in the City of Tualatin.

3. Proclamation Declaring the Week of April 17-23, 2022 as Volunteer Appreciation Week in the City of Tualatin

Mayor Bubenik presented information regarding Tualatin volunteers noting 785 volunteers served 10,800 volunteer hours in the past year.

Councilor Pratt read the proclamation declaring April 17-23, 2022 as Volunteer Appreciation Week in the City of Tualatin.

Mayor Bubenik presented the Outstanding Volunteer Awards. The nomination process included City employees nominating volunteers based on a list of criteria. Winners were announced for each category:

Outstanding Youth Volunteers – Satvika Vadapu, Ava Marsh, and Aaliyah De La O

Lifetime Achievement Award – Bobbi and Sheldon Siegel

Outstanding Adult Volunteer – Beth Dittman and Tim and Lori Kellogg

Outstanding Volunteer Groups – Emergency Outreach Assistance Group and the Juanita Pohl Center Guest Services Team

Public Comment

Brent Beebe submitted a letter in opposition to the zoning change to 10 acres alongside Norwood and Boones Ferry Road as requested by Westlake Consultants.

Consent Agenda

Motion to adopt the consent agenda made by Councilor Brooks, Seconded by Council President Grimes.

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Grimes, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Pratt, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco

MOTION PASSED

1. Consideration of Approval of the Special Work Session Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2022 and Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2022
2. Consideration of Approval of Late Liquor License Renewal for 2022

Special Reports

1. Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue State of the District Presentation

Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District Deputy Chief of Operations Kenny Frentress presented their annual State of the District presentation. He stated over the past year they have been able to maintain a fast and effective response. Chief Frentress stated staffing has been difficult over the past year due to illness and injury but they have been able to hire many new recruits. He stated they are focusing on developing new leaders as they will see 38% of their management staff retire over the next five years. Chief Frentress stated over the next year they will also focus on wildland fire operations. He stated the bond was passed in November and they will be replacing vehicles and fleet apparatus, making improvements to stations, safety upgrades, and land purchases. Chief Frentress stated in 2021 Tualatin had 3,434 incidents with just over 80% of the calls being EMS and 12% for fire. He stated in September they opened a new station in Charbonneau. Chief Frentress stated they are currently conducting a pilot program called the Community Health and Resource Management (CHARM) Program which focuses on high utilizers of 911 and allows other heavy assets to remain in service for more critical calls. He stated they are preparing for the upcoming wildfire season with additional training. Chief Frentress stated they have started an interactive newsletter that helps homeowners prepare for emergencies in their areas.

Mayor Bubenik asked if the calls had remained consistent even though there has been growth in the City. Chief Frentress stated they have remained between 3,200 and 3,400 calls over the last five years.

Mayor Bubenik asked how often batteries need to be replaced in smoke detectors. Chief Frentress stated twice yearly.

Mayor Bubenik asked how residents can put out grease fires. Chief Frentress stated it is important to have a fire extinguisher nearby and place a lid over the pan. He stated do not add water to the fire.

Councilor Pratt asked what system is in place for handling resources during structure fires. Chief Frentress stated they are regional fire district so they move resources around based on need.

Mayor Bubenik asked how the new station on McEwan is and what kind of calls they have been receiving. Chief Frentress stated the new station has help to distribute calls between Tualatin and Lake Oswego.

Council Communications

Councilor Pratt stated she attended the Tualatin Police Foundation meeting and the C4 committee meeting.

Councilor Brooks stated she met with Public Works Director Rachel Sykes to discuss the upcoming messaging around the Water Consortium and leak detection. She shared April 24-30 is water week where they focus on legislative advocacy for safe, reliable, and affordable drinking water. Councilor Brooks acknowledged the upcoming Earth Day events.

Councilor Sacco clarified information regarding the public comment made tonight stating the apartment complexes mentioned are not the CEPA complex.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Washington County Town Hall hosted by Senator Merkley, the Arbor Day tree planting event, and the Westside Economic Alliance breakfast.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

_____ / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

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