

**CITY OF JEFFERSON**  
Council Worksession  
October 11, 2018  
6:30pm

**COUNCILORS PRESENT:** Dave Beyerl, Bob Rossiter, David Watkins, Walt Perry, Edna Campau, Mayor Michael Myers  
**COUNCILORS ABSENT:** Audrey Webster  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Sarah Cook, City Recorder; Jeff Buskirk, PWD

I. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE** – Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led in the flag salute.

II. **WORKSESSION TOPICS**

A. Ordinance #708, Declaring Territory Annexed to the City, Amending the Zoning Map for Map & Tax Lot 103W 02DA 01500, Stating an Effective Date

Mayor Myers reminded all of the public hearing held at the prior Council meeting, noting it closed at that time and there would be no further public comment. After calling for abstentions and reading the required ordinance adoption procedure language, Mayor Myers read Ordinance #708 by title only. Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Ordinance #708 and pass it to the second reading by title only. Councilor Rossiter seconded. There was no discussion and all 5 voted in approval.

Mayor Myers read Ordinance #708 by title only for the second reading. Councilor Beyerl moved that the ordinance be adopted and the title of the ordinance become the ordinance. Councilor Perry seconded. Roll call vote: Beyerl – yes; Rossiter – yes; Watkins – yes, Perry – yes; Campau - yes.

**APPROVED.**

B. 4<sup>TH</sup> Street Realignment Request

Mayor Myers called upon Joe & Elaine Parrott, who were present on behalf of the land owner. Joe Parrott of SE Salem, was the son in law of the landowner. He thanked Jeff Buskirk and Sarah Cook for their help in untangling what had gone on with the property over the years. He prepared a slideshow with history dating back to 1901. In 1968 a portion of 4<sup>th</sup> St was realigned to accommodate installation of a water/sewer line; however, they were unable to find record of an easement even though the lines went through the family property. Mr. Parrott noted they agreed that moving the stub west to align it with the rest of 4<sup>th</sup> St and remove it from private property was the way to go; however, doing so created a 13ft sliver of property. They were interested in obtaining a lot line adjustment to add it to the property next to it, which was also owned by the same family.

Councilor Beyerl referred to the quote from Barker Surveying, noting he agreed with the need for the realignment and that it was win/win for all parties; however, he opposed the City paying for the cost of the lot line adjustment because it was tax payer dollars that would be spent to benefit one property owner. Other Councilors shared the same concern. Joe Parrott addressed the survey bill, noting they had front loaded all the survey work for the whole project onto the property line

adjustment portion, which he disagreed with. Public Works Director, Jeff Buskirk added there were currently no pins placed and he felt it was necessary to spend the money to have it done right, which he expected to be about \$2,000. Council noted that the extra information changed the whole tone and confirmed with Mr. Parrott that if the City adjusted the invoice to cover the costs of the survey work and placement of property pins for the 4<sup>th</sup> St realignment, the family would not seek additional funds from the City in regards to their personal lot line adjustment. Council directed Jeff Buskirk to continue working with Barker Surveying and further agreed to leave final decisions, including working out the numbers, to Jeff because they were confident he had the City's best interest in mind. Joe Parrott thanked the Council and noted the City could handle the realignment portion and his family would hire somebody different to address their lot line adjustment needs.

C. Boat Ramp Completion – Just FYI for Council. All were very impressed with the outcome.

III. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Dave Beyerl moved to approve. Councilor Campau seconded. All 5 were in favor. **APPROVED.**

IV. **VISITORS** – none

V. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Perry shared that he and Councilor Watkins had attended the LOC conference where a number of issues were discussed, including the important election coming up, as well as technology being at the forefront of almost everything. The City's creation of a Technology Committee puts them far ahead of other cities, even larger ones. Another important topic was transportation, where they discussed upcoming changes with signage, traffic control, camera signs and other things that may impact rural cities.

Councilor Watkins thanked the Council for allowing him to attend the conference and summarized a few things he thought were important, including technology, code enforcement, and utilizing social media to keep the public informed. He added that the City's recent purchase of Nixle puts them way ahead of other towns.

Mayor Myers reminded everybody of upcoming events: Open House at the Fire Dept. Oct 13<sup>th</sup>; Library moving day Oct 20<sup>th</sup>; Farmers Insurance Grand Re-Opening Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>; Technology Fair Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. He also shared the LOC Safety Award that the City has been presented with for 20+ years.

VI. **ADJOURNMENT** – Dave Beyerl moved to adjourn; Walt Perry seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7pm.

**MINUTES APPROVED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

  
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Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sarah Cook, City Recorder