

**CITY OF JEFFERSON**  
Regular Council Meeting  
Public Hearing  
September 27, 2018  
6:30pm

**COUNCILORS PRESENT:** Dave Beyerl, Bob Rossiter, Mayor Michael Myers, Audrey Webster, Edna Campau

**COUNCILORS ABSENT:** Walt Perry, David Watkins

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sarah Cook, City Recorder; Jeff Buskirk, PWD; Deputy Olson and West, MCSO

- I. **COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE** – Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led in the flag salute. A change was made to the agenda to add item 4.1 for Deputy Garrett Olson’s 1-yr summary update.
  
- II. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Morton Annexation & Zone Change Application: ANX 18-01 & ZC 18-01

Mayor Myers opened the public hearing at 6:32pm and read the necessary legal requirements to conduct a quasi-judicial land use hearing. Asking for any conflicts of interest, ex parte contacts, or other bias, to which Councilor Rossiter announced he’d spoke with one person only to inform them of the hearing date/time. No other councilors made declarations. City Recorder, Sarah Cook summarized and entered the staff report into the official record and noted there had been no testimony, written or otherwise, presented prior to the hearing.

With the applicants not present, there was no presentation from the applicant. Moving on to call for neutral testimony, Mayor Myers called upon Dennis Person, PO Box 1088 in Jefferson, who questioned why the property owner hadn’t gone to the County in relation to the UT zone. It was explained that a small piece of the subject property was already inside the City limits, which was likely the reason why they took the City route. There was no testimony in opposition of the application.

**Councilor Comments:**

Councilor Beyerl noted bringing the schools inside the City limits had been discussed over the years and he felt this was a step in that direction and was in support of it.

Councilor Webster inquired about what would happen if only the annexation was approved and not the zone change request, which staff explained it would remain zoned commercial.

With no further testimony, Council comments or questions, and no requests to hold the record open, Mayor Myers closed the hearing at 6:45pm, noting they would move into Council deliberation and there would be no further comments from visitors on the subject.

Mayor Myers confirmed with the Public Works Director that water and sewer services were to the location.

Councilor Rossiter directed staff to bring back a decision approving, by Ordinance, the annexation 18-01 and zone change 18-01 with supporting findings. Councilor Beyerl seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed - 0.

**APPROVED.**

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

- 3.1 Artwork Donation Policy – Draft #2

Councilor Campau explained the changes that were made at the last meeting had been incorporated and could be noticed in bold italics throughout the document. Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt the artwork donation policy as presented. Councilor Webster seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

##### 4.1 MCSO Deputy Olson 1 yr. Review

Sergeant Parise of Marion County Sheriff's Office announced Deputy Olson had reached his one-year mark in Jefferson and talked about the goals he set, which had all been met in that time. During his last year in Jefferson, Deputy Olson shared he'd made 100 warrant arrests, 47 felony charges and 51 misdemeanors, a search warrant led them to Albany, which revealed property crimes were taking place from out-of-towners coming into Jefferson, he'd recovered over 1,000 stolen items during a large bust, shut down criminal activity at 510 Columbia, which was now cleaned up and for sale, and raided the compound on Jefferson-Scio Dr.

In response to Councilor Webster's inquiry about what citizens could do to prevent themselves from becoming a target, Deputy Olson emphasized the need to remove valuables from cars and lock vehicles. Councilor Beyerl suggested being bold enough to step out and ask what a stranger was doing there or what they needed, if a person was comfortable doing so. He also encouraged everybody to call suspicious activity in. Council thanked Deputy Olson for all his hard work, noting they were very impressed.

##### 4.2 Resolution #1044, LS Networks Franchise

Sarah Cook quickly pointed out an error in the document where it said Lane County instead of Marion, which she would change on the original. Councilor Webster expressed concern about the 10mbps uncontended, noted in section 11, which she indicated would not be enough if the City ever wanted to stream in the future. She thought it needed to be changed to 100mbps and so moved to approve Resolution #1044 and the agreement with LS Networks, with the change to increase speeds to 100mbps in Section 11, and allow staff to adjust the contract pending acceptance from LS Networks. Councilor Campau seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed - 0. **APPROVED.**

##### 4.3 Ordinance #707, Repealing JMC 6.12.080 and Section 81 of Ordinance #599

Councilor Beyerl commented that it was a housekeeping topic to clean up a section that was missed when the new panhandling ordinance was created. Councilor Campau moved to adopt Ordinance 707 as presented. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed - 0. **APPROVED.**

##### 4.4 FOL Street Closure Request Councilor Campau moved to approve the request, seconded by Councilor Webster. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

##### 4.5 Library Lease & Property Transfer

The City Recorder explained the formal motion to terminate the lease would have to come later, as the C of O from the County was not yet issued. However, a ceremonial signing would take place tonight to transfer the property back to the City, pending the C of O. Members of the FOL and Mayor Myers met at the center table for the signing and pictures. Council thanked the FOL for their years of dedication in seeing the new Library to completion.

#### **V. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

5.1 Mint Festival Support Letter – FYI, no discussion

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA** - Councilor Beyerl moved to approve. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 4, Opposed - 0. **APPROVED.**

**VII. COMMITTEE/DEPT. UPDATES**

Library – no new info

Planning – heard previously

Chamber – no new info

LAC – Kuri Gill of SHPO performed CLG review; grant opportunity coming in Feb

MPO – signed off allowing to collect planning funds from feds, \$226,980 that will be added into Albany Area MPO, of which Jefferson has a request in the mix to update transportation planning; approved a study between Corvallis and Albany MPO on intermodal transportation expansion, which would possibly connect the two with transportation.

FOL – heard previously

Parks & Rec – no new info

MWACT – no new info

School – still transitioning superintendent; changes in playground equipment were not in bond budget, but with outpouring of concern from parents some options were provided and something would likely be done to address at least the elementary school.

Fire – still need a board member; considering local option levy for operations on May ballot.

LOC – no new info

Tech – preparing for Tech Fair on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 at GJCC; putting together the Nixle system with hope it will be ready for people to begin signing up at the fair; Nixle mini demo will be held at City Hall on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm and all were invited.

**VIII. VISITORS** – none

**IX. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Campau congratulated the Friend of the Library for their accomplishments.

Mayor Myers noted they should begin thinking about Jefferson’s 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**X. ADJOURNMENT** – Councilor Beyerl moved, seconded by Audrey Webster. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:28pm.

**MINUTES APPROVED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

  
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Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sarah Cook, City Recorder