

CITY OF JEFFERSON
Regular Council Meeting
February 27, 2020
6:30 pm

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Michael Myers, Dave Beyerl, Walt Perry, Edna Campau, Bob Rossiter,
Dave Watkins, Audrey Webster

COUNCILORS ABSENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Deanna Donato, Deputy Recorder; Jeff Buskirk, PWD

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

- 1.1 LAC Historic Designation Award – Mark Manning came forward and along with Mayor Myers, presented the February award to Paul & Kelli Terjeson for their property located at 910 S. Main St., originally known as the J.A. Winter house.
- 1.2 Marion County Health & Human Services Presentation

Susan McLaughlin and Margaret McNamara provided information to the Council about the data they had been collecting all over the county in relation to the health and human services needs of the people. The priority areas that were identified were behavioral health support, housing, and substance abuse. Going through their slides, they explained the process of developing an improvement plan for Jefferson, which would include input from the community, and the resources available to them. A survey link would be provided and they encouraged feedback.

Councilor Webster confirmed the TARA (Tobacco and Alcohol Retail Assessment) Survey was done in all 51 locations. Councilor Perry noted the second slide made mention to vaping and e-cigs, but avoided the hard substance of tobacco. Susan explained based on the feedback they had received, the communities were more concerned with vaping, as the numbers continued to rise. Margaret also added that when vaping, they could be vaping marijuana, kratom, or other substances other than tobacco. Councilor Webster spoke of the school district's discussions about vaping last year, to which the ladies confirmed they were also working with the Jefferson School District, as well as many other districts. Mayor Myers indicated that Jefferson had a significant faith-based community and was considered to have low income housing issues as well. He thought inviting them back for a town hall style presentation and community input would be beneficial. They agreed and suggested sometime in late April would be best.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- 2.1 Resolution #1059, Updating, Unifying and Consolidating Policies for Use at the Jefferson Public Library, Repealing Resolutions# 883 and 928 - Councilor Beyerl moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Perry. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**
- 2.2 Resolution #1060, Establishing and Updating Water System Connection Fees and Repealing Resolution # 1031 - Councilor Beyerl moved to approve and Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**
- 2.3 Resolution #1061, Setting Fees and Policies for Development Applications and Repealing Resolutions #1032 and 1046 - Councilor Rossiter moved to approve and Councilor Beyerl seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

III. **NEW BUSINESS** – None

IV. **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION** – none

V. **CONSENT AGENDA** - Councilor Beyerl moved to approve. Councilor Perry seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed - 0. **APPROVED.**

VI. **VISITORS**

Patti Ball - JHS&M, informed Council that they participated in an on-site visit with Oregon Community Foundation and made the first cut in the grant cycle, receiving grant approval for a new HVAC system at the Conser House. They had started a campaign to raise money with their first official fundraiser scheduled during the Festival of Flowers.

MCSO Sgt Wilkinson introduced himself as the new Contracts Supervisor. With him was Danielle Bethel, a candidate for MC Commissioner, who would be riding along with Deputy Olson for the evening.

VII. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Watkins mentioned the Marion County emergency fire access road had been paved and the Jefferson Fire Department had a key as well. Mayor Myers would ask Sarah Cook to send a thank you note to acknowledge their work upon her return.

Councilor Perry attended Representative Schrader's round table meeting. Most in attendance came from northern cities, but it reminded some of those large cities that they were once rural communities.

Councilor Beyerl shared there had been lengthy discussion at the MPO meeting about active transportation and the methodology on collecting the data.

Mayor Myers gave a shout out to the FOL for outfitting the Library with new shelving units and then called upon Deputy Olson to speak. Garrett Olson informed the Council that he applied for and was selected for another position within MCSO and would be leaving Jefferson soon. He wanted to make the announcement personally and said he had really enjoyed his time in Jefferson. Mayor Myers said the Council would be recognizing Deputy Olson in a more formal and fun way during the March regular session. Councilor Beyerl complimented Deputy Olson for coming to Council rather than just leaving. Mayor Myers added that the town had been very fortunate with the deputies sent to Jefferson, including the current Sheriff.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT** - Councilor Beyerl moved, seconded by Councilor Rossiter, to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:27 pm.

MINUTES APPROVED this 23rd day of April, 2020.



Michael D. Myers

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder