

CITY OF JEFFERSON
Regular Council Meeting
Public Hearings
June 27, 2019
6:30pm

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

COUNCILORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Cook, City Recorder; Jeff Buskirk, PWD

- I. **COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE** – Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led in the flag salute.
- II. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Ordinance 712, Amending JMC Chapter 10.08, Sewer Service System, Establishing Sewer Discharge Regulations

Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 6:31pm and read the purpose of the hearing and the background and summary statement. No written testimony had been received and no oral testimony was given when called for. There were no questions of the Council. The hearing closed hearing at 6:34pm.

Moving on to adoption of the ordinance, Mayor Myers read the procedures after confirming all councilors were ready to adopt fully at the meeting. He read Ordinance #712 by title only for the first reading. Councilor Beyerl moved that Ordinance #712 be adopted and passed to second reading by title only. Councilor Campau seconded. All in favor: Ayes - 6, Opposed -0. **APPROVED.**

Mayor Myers read Ordinance #712 by title only for the second reading. Dave Beyerl moved that the ordinance pass and that the title of the ordinance become the ordinance. Councilor Perry seconded. Roll Call Vote – Beyerl – yes; Campau – yes, Rossiter – yes; Webster – yes; Perry – yes; Watkins – yes. **APPROVED.**

- III. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Ordinance 713, For the Levying and Collection of a Special Assessment from Properties Specially Benefited by Sidewalks on Hazel St

Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 6:36pm and read the purpose of the hearing and background and summary statement. The Recorder confirmed no written testimony, nor any objections to the assessments had been received. There was no oral testimony when called upon. With no questions from the Council the hearing closed at 6:38pm.

Mayor Myers read Ordinance #713 by title only for the first reading after confirming the Council wished to adopt it fully at one meeting. Councilor Campau moved that the ordinance be adopted and passed to the second reading by title only. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Mayor Myers read Ordinance #713 for the second reading by title only. Edna Campau moved that the ordinance pass and that the title of the ordinance become the ordinance. Councilor Perry seconded. Roll Call Vote: Watkins - yes, Webster - yes, Rossiter - yes, Perry - yes, Beyerl - yes, Campau - yes. **APPROVED.**

- IV. **OLD BUSINESS** – None

- V. **NEW BUSINESS**

5.1 LAC Committee Applicant – Patti Ball

Councilor Beyerl moved to approve the appointment; seconded by Bob Rossiter. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

5.2 Conser House Ad-Hoc Committee Applicant – Michelle Nunes

Dave Beyerl moved to approve the appointment. Councilor Webster seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VI. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

6.1 ODOT Response from Prior Meeting

Councilor Webster thought the response was very thorough, but it was what was expected; the City was on a list and we wait. There was talk on the number of bicycle groups that utilized the roadways and Audrey was surprised they didn't think the number was significant enough to warrant any concern. Mayor Myers suggested the City draft a thank you letter and perhaps mention the significance of the bicycle groups and that it was perhaps more popular than even they were aware of, noting the use obviously increased significantly during the summer months. Councilor Perry expressed concern for the bicyclists and pedestrians that had to enter the roadway to get on/off the bridge, noting the danger this time of year with large agricultural equipment also sharing the space. Councilor Beyerl noted the Conser Bridge was on the list to be upgraded in the next couple years and felt the concern with pedestrians should be brought to their attention in the letter as well. It was not just a Jefferson issue; it was a public safety matter that included another County. All agreed.

6.2 Government Accounting Software Minimum Requirements – FYI

6.3 Letter to Area Organizations Re: Jefferson's 150th birthday – brief discussion on the letter, who it was sent to, with a few more groups getting added to the list.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Dave Beyerl moved to approve, as amended to include the invoice for Salem Seal Coating so it could be paid in the current fiscal year. Councilor Watkins seconded. All in favor: ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VIII. COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Library – no new info

Landmarks – finalized plans for concerts at the Conser; progress on historic award plaques

Ad-Hoc – stakeholder meeting postponed to August; Joy Sears coming from SHPO; banner to go out front that says Restoration in Progress

Planning – Hazel Hallow hearing; variance was approved

Chamber – no meeting, preparing for Celebrate Jefferson

TAC – reviewing 2021-24 plans for TGM; 90% of funds are being directed toward transit and plans are to include the outreaches such as Jefferson, Tangent and Millersburg; suggested to have a joint meeting with MPO

LOC – speed zone round table that involved reidentification of what was rural, suburban and urban; re-writing OAR 180.170 and 180, putting lot of emphasis on remodeling the way speeds were calculated

MWACT – more conversation concerning Brooks; a lot of work in Dundee and Newburg area; looking at how funding will be sent out, 7 proposals and 2 will affect Jefferson

FOL - J-Town Hoe Down coming up, tickets are for sale, July 27th in Dever Conner; live band, line dance lessons, BBQ and one drink ticket, silent auction

Parks & Rec – approved test run of software program that would allow online registration from home
Fire Board – sold surplus tender; ISO ratings improved
School Board – bond project was over budget between \$600,000-\$950,000 due to unplanned work such as the water line improvement and the left turn lane MC required, plus the purchase of the house near elementary school; Superintendent putting together promotional video to try to draw people for next year; ethics commission inquiry was unfounded and complainant called Ethics Commission with questions and was instructed to issue an inquiry.
Technology – preparing for NNO; trying to bring together number of security related vendors and specialists: Best Buy; materials from home depot; trying to reach out to self-defense class
MPO – surface transportation block grant; review policy on how they distribute the money; Oregon modeling steering committee gearing up to do household travel survey and expressed concern with costs involved; discussion on Hwy 20 between Albany & Corvallis but info lacked clarification so MPO took no action; amended budget for Albany transit system because money from the feds came in higher than what was budgeted.

IX. VISITORS

Linda Baker, 1287 Filbert – inquired about pre-k discussions at the school board level, to which Audrey Webster was unaware of.

Patti Ball offered an update, noting Amy Baily at the museum had put together a website and started a blog in order to increase awareness. Also, even though Sharon Leighty, the consultant hired by the JHS & M was unavailable until August, she left a to-do list for Patti to work on. Patti would be meeting with Joy Sears to complete that and would submit a new grant by July 15th.

X. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Myers asked Councilor Beyerl if he could come up with something for the City booth that would allow the banner to be hung in such a way that it didn't block people from seeing in the booth. He confirmed Sarah had arranged for cookies and would prepare a questionnaire, as well as email a sign-up list for Council to choose time slots that worked for them.

Mayor Myers also shared a positive story in which his wallet had been left on the tailgate of his truck and had been found by a young lady who came to his home to return it just as it was found. He advised everybody to keep focusing on the positives!

XI. ADJORNMENT - Dave Beyerl moved; seconded by Councilor Perry. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:38pm.

MINUTES APPROVED this 25th day of July, 2019.



Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder