

**CITY OF JEFFERSON**  
Council Worksession  
April 11, 2024  
6:30pm

**COUNCILORS PRESENT:** David Watkins, Bob Rossiter, David Kellogg, Charles Vickery, Mayor Myers, Keonali Hutley, Chandra Cruikshank  
**COUNCILORS ABSENT:** None  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Sarah Cook, CM/R, Jeff Buskirk, PWD

I. **CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE** – Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, welcomed the full house of attendees, and led in the flag salute.

II. **WORKSESSION TOPICS**

A. Banner Art Reveal & Presentation of Awards

Mayor Myers expressed his gratitude to the High School Art Teacher, Meghan Lloyd, for her involvement and participation of many City projects over the years, noting his excitement for the reveal of this particular task, and presented her with a Thank You gift card. Moving on, Mayor Myers announced the top 3 winners of the banner art contest, reading and presenting each certificate and gift card to the students one by one, while displaying their rendition of the banners. The 3<sup>rd</sup> place selection was created by Sophomore, Lyssa Jones; 2<sup>nd</sup> place was Junior, Kayla Wiggins; and the 1<sup>st</sup> place winning banner was created by Junior, Justus Fairchild. Justus’s art had been recreated into a digital format and banners were in production, after which would be displayed on poles down Main and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. The audience applauded, photos were taken, and the Council, students, and their families were very pleased.

B. OLCC New Outlet Application – Jefferson Sweet Sensations Bakery

Owners of the bakery, Autumn and Juan, were present to answer any questions of the Council, and also announced they would be serving pizza very soon. They were hard at work on the patio space and were looking forward to offering pizza and beer. Councilor Watkins moved to approve the request for a liquor license and Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0.

**APPROVED.**

C. SB 1537 Review & Discussion – FYI

Mayor Myers recognized the hot topic that it was and noted they would not be able to answer anything tonight. The materials were presented as a head’s up for what appeared to be coming and he was excited about any possibilities that may come about that would grant greater flexibility of expanding the UGB, particularly if it allowed for truly affordable housing options.

**III. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Councilor Rossiter moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Hutley. There was brief discussion about the expense for the Travel Salem ad. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

**IV. VISITORS**

Patti Ball noted there were 18 attendees at the Chamber meeting and they spent their time stuffing bags for the upcoming Trade Fair, which would include 40 booths. She also announced the Chamber received a \$10k grant from the County. She informed them of 2 new businesses opening soon, which included Hole in the Wall Vintage, located in the space previously used by the doctor office, and Santiam Forks Bed & Breakfast, which was located on the Wells property just outside of town.

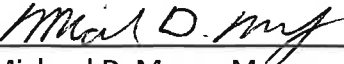
**V. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

Jeff Buskirk noted the XR System project was underway with the engineers and hopefully would officially get started on site soon.

Sarah Cook announced there would be a drone presentation from MCSO at the May regular meeting, as well as representatives from ODOT, to give a presentation on the upcoming bridge project. She also reminded everybody that the next meeting would be held at 10:30am the Community Center with the JHS senior class of 2024 attending.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT** – Councilor Rossiter moved to adjourn. Councilor Watkins seconded. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:07pm.

**MINUTES APPROVED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2024.

  
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Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder