



CITY OF LYONS

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 23, 2017

Council Present: Mayor Troy Donohue, Councilor Jessica Ritchie, Councilor Lloyd Valentine, Councilor Mike Wagner, Councilor Mark Orr

Council Absent: none

Employees Present: Richard Berkey – Public Works, Micki Valentine – City Recorder, Brenda Harris – Librarian

Public Present: Barbara Orr, Tori Hansen

Opened w/pledge @ 6:30pm by Mayor Troy Donohue

Conflict of Interest/Ex-parte/Bias: none

Consent Agenda

The report provided is bills paid April 20th, 2017 – May 23rd, 2017 and the minutes are from April 26th, 2017 the regular council meeting. *Jessica motions to accept the consent agenda which includes the minutes and bills paid – Lloyd seconds – motion carried with all in favor – no nays.*

Presentations: none

Public Comment: none

Liaison Report

- Sheriff's report is reviewed – it is in a different format.

Correspondence

- CIS Report – Health Benefit Rates and Real Time Risk (Preparing for Solar Eclipse) – Discussion about health plans and the solar eclipse. Council asks if school has decided anything – still in discussion. Discussion about fire department and solar eclipse.

Unfinished Business

- Hobbensiefken Letter of Intent – Dave Curran with Linn County Roads said that we could put in a driveway. *Mike motions to move forward the Hobbensiefken Letter of Intent – Mark seconds – motion carried with all in favor – no nays.*

New Business

- Substance Abuse Policy Review – Council reviews policy and would like clarification about the length of time allowed for absence for rehabilitation. Council discusses removal of a sentence in policy and training/class for drug/alcohol detection. Discussion about removing the sentence with the 'may waive the requirement' statement.
- Donation – "Back to School Supplies" Project Mari-Linn – Brenda explains the project and has been distributing letters to donors. Jessica informs council about some of the

costs and wants to verify where the money is going. Council thinks it's a good idea and that the city should be involved to a point. *Mike motions to donate \$500 for the Back to School event for the purpose of helping Mari-Linn students – Mark seconds – motion passes with all in favor – no nays.* Jessica asks Brenda for follow-up of event and donations.

Library Report

- Brenda gives the library report. StoryTime will cease June 7th and start up in September. RFID is scheduled and library will be closed – signs are posted. The solar eclipse program was great and Brenda has received the extra glasses to distribute. The summer reading program sign-up is on June 13th and starts June 15th. Brenda says that the company came out today and smoothed the ramp out. Mark says he'll look at the ramp and make contact if needed.
- Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service (CCRLS) Contract – Brenda received the contract today and it was discussed. Troy tables the vote on the contract until next month so it can be read by council members. The fees we collect for participating are discussed.

Staff Report

- **Public Works** – Busy mowing, trimming brush and trees, and cleaned up and reseeded the test holes in the city park.
- **Cemetery** – Waiting on NW Monuments for the columbarium. Radar isn't done. Richard and Mike walked through the cemetery and discussed the donated property. Dave Curran and Linn County were consulted with about the new driveway. Received compliments from Grosso family about how good the cemetery looks.
- **Library** – The ramp skim coat has been done.
- **Office** – Two building permits and four mechanical/plumbing permits were issued. Flyers have been posted about the city-wide cleanup. Applied for the septic evaluation in the city park and haven't received results. Discovered the city park has been recipient of federal grant dollars. Have a letter from Oregon Parks and Rec. Dept. that states one of the stipulations is that the park has to remain geared toward outdoor recreation and is unlikely to be approved for a new library. We can appeal. Our library will have to promote outdoor recreation or our other option is to put in another park in a different location (conversion). Council discusses 13th Street - if it is a legally designated park currently or not – it could fulfill park designation and satisfy requirements. A grant for the cemetery fencing has been applied for.
- **Complaints** – Person complained about rocks on the road. Person concerned about mailboxes on Kapok St. – advised to contact Post Office – mailboxes will be moved. Complaint about hedge at corner of 5th and Elm and has been trimmed. Mike mentions about hedge at Ironwood.
- Council loves the Solar Sun Sale flyer.
- Micki reminds council about the City Wide Clean-Up this weekend from 9 to 3. Jessica will be there from 8:30 till noonish, Lloyd will be there all day, and Mark had previous plans to be out of town.

Commissioners Report

- Transportation & Parks – none
- Police – none

- Safety & Cemetery – none
- Library – none
- Building & Planning – none

Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Requests/Announcements

- Mark presents to council about donating the used lawnmower to the Mehama Ball Park. Council discusses options of lawnmower disposal. Troy says we bought the new mower to fit between the cemetery plots so it would replace old mower. Troy says the old mower needs go away whether we sell it or donate it because that was the pretense that council was approached with was to replace it. Richard explains the difference in the size of the decks on the mowers and that they are both used for mowing. Troy says council agreed to replace mower with a new mower since it was worn out and needed to be repaired all the time. Richard says that the old mower is used in places the new mower doesn't fit and rocky areas to save wear and tear on the new mower. Mike discusses the lawnmower and possibility of keeping old one to use for certain areas. Richard has only been servicing the old mower every 50 hours and it has been doing well since having the deck reinforced. Jessica sees the point of using both mowers. Troy says council was approached to replace the old mower since it was worn out and it's a matter of principal. The city does have a push mower. Troy says it is council's decision. Troy asks all in favor to keep mower – Jessica says keep mower, Mike says keep until costs too much to maintain, Mark says keep, and Lloyd agrees to keep it. Mike says to make it conditional on if it has a major repair to not put a bunch of money into it.
- Mark asks if the ponds on 21st are city property. Research needs to continue to see who owns the property.
- Mark asks about radar – Micki has called repeatedly but hasn't gotten exact date from the company.
- Troy asks if the franchise has been renewed with Wave Cable. It shows that it expired in February – Micki will check and may check with other providers.

Next Meeting – May 30th, 2017 – Budget Meeting at 6:30 pm – Council Meeting on June 27th, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Jessica may or may not be available.

- Richard asks about speed bump on 13th – if he could move it a couple of feet into fresh asphalt for anchors. Troy says to check to see if there is an epoxy or adhesive that would work in the holes. Citizens requested that the one speed bump be left. Richard will check with North Santiam or Jerry Tabler per council's suggestions.

Adjourned 8:10 pm

Transcribed by Carol Hendricks, Assistant City Recorder

