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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 27, 2026

Council Present: Councilors: Amy Thrasher, Diane Hyde, Jessica Ritchie, Eric Gjonnes, & Mayor Mike Wagner
Council Absent: none
Employees Present: PW Richard Berkey, Lib. Dir. Michele Ray, PW Jerry Faber, CM Micki Valentine
Public Present: none
Opened w/pledge: @ 6:30 pm by Mayor Mike Wagner

Roll Call: Taken

Announcements (Additions to Agenda/Conflict of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias): none declared

Presentations: none

Public Comment: none

Sheriff's Report: Monthly report provided for review.

Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes September 29, 2026; Bills Paid September 29, 2026 – October 27, 2026. *Councilor Hyde motioned to approve – Thrasher second – Gjonnes, Ritchie, Wagner, Thrasher, & Hyde in favor – none opposed – approved.*

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

- **Safe Routes to School Update –** Civil West has made some adjustments to the plan and we are expecting them to submit the final design to ODOT soon.
- **Library Project Follow-up & ADA Review –** The items noted in the after-project inspection for the windows, have been completed except painting the topcoat in the basement, which we plan to hire a professional for that. The upstairs could also use paint. Reviewed ADA requirements. Considering moving the ADA portapot to the library and designate the restrooms for employees only. This is for security purposes resulting from the incident at the library.
- **Cemetery Project Review** – The arborist with R & R Tree Service inspected the trees at the cemetery and found that three are in decline. Due to the rain coming in soon, one tree has been removed. To prevent damage to the ground, we want the soil to be firm, not saturated, for the interior trees, in the old section. The dying tree along the driveway will

be next, along with limb trimming.Will likely need to wait until the rainy season is over to take down the third tree. The other trees inspected will be considered at a later date.

New Business:

- **Continuity of Operations Plan –** The updated Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) was reviewed. This is a plan that the City can use in the event an emergency deems one of our buildings unusable. COOP gives some guidance for alternative site selection, lists key contacts, and outside sources for assistance. It identifies items we would need at an alternate location. Oregon Emergency Management (OEM) and CIS, our insurance company, can assist in locating alternate sites. OEM has recently moved to a new online COOP program called Veoci. Access to this program is limited due to the sensitive information contained in it. COOP is intended as a guide, allowing for flexibility, in consideration of different types of emergencies.

Correspondence/Informational:

- Mayor Wagner informs of the new plaques showing the past & present Mayors and Councilors.

Library Director Report: Library Director, Michele Ray, provides the library report. Mayor Wagner asks about comments regarding the windows. Michele reports that she has received all good comments.

City Manager Report: CM Valentine provides report. Public Works keeping up with their duties. Park trail improvements completed, just waiting for rail & fence for the picnic shelter to be installed. Waiting for street repair contract to be signed and returned. One burial placed. Inspected library – basement walls need paint. Tree limbs have been trimmed away from the building. One mechanical permit, no building permits issued. Continue to work on the Wilderness Subdivision. Audit should be completed soon. Reminder to RSVP for the dinner. Reviewed the complaints report. Linn County Code Enforcement Officer notified us that they no longer provide code enforcement for our land use issues. Will need to work on a new agreement with them.

Planning Commission Report: A meeting has been scheduled for October 28th.

Financial Reports: Reports were available for review. No questions or comments.

Mayor/Council – Questions, Comments, Commissioner Reports:

- Mayor Mike Wagner, Building Impr., Utility, Police/Safety – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Jessica Ritchie – Requests a copy of the COOP. Copies will be provided to designated COOP members, after it is updated.
- Councilor Diane Hyde, Transportation – ODOT streetsweeper came through 5th Street, making several passes.
- Councilor Amy Thrasher, Cemetery – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Eric Gjonnes, Parks & Recreation – Nothing more to add.

Executive Session: none

Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements: Councilor Hyde requests that the Summer Sun Sale be scheduled before the City-wide Clean Up. City Manager requests Council consensus. Consensus not reached. It will remain on the same day as it has been previously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 24, 2026, Regular Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.

Adjourned @ 7:21 pm Summarized by CM Valentine