

Minutes
Aurora City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 08, 2013, at 7:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers, Aurora City Hall
21420 Main St. NE, Aurora, OR 97002

STAFF PRESENT: Kelly Richardson, City Recorder
Jan Vlcek, Finance Officer
Otis Phillips, Waste Water Superintendent
Dennis Koho, City Attorney

STAFF ABSENT: Pete Marcellais, Marion County Deputy
Bob Southard, Water Superintendent

VISITORS PRESENT: Tara Weidman, Aurora
Boyd Keiser, North Marion School District
Laurie Boyce, Aurora
Kris Sallee, Aurora

1. Call to Order of the City Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Graupp at 7:01 p.m.

2. Administrative Assistant does roll call

Mayor Graupp – present
Councilor TBA -
Councilor Brotherton -present
Councilor Sahlin – present
Councilor Vlcek – present

3. Consent Agenda

- I. City Council Meeting Minutes – September 10, 2013 , Brotherton asks about council position,
- II. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – September 03, 2013
- III. Historic Review Board Minutes –August 22 and 29th , 2013

Correspondence

I. North Marion Enterprise Zone for the Oregon Economic Development Association (OEDA) award for Outstanding Collaborative Partnerships. Mayor Graupp, We won a big prize for best collaborative effort as a whole.

Motion to approve consent agenda was made by Councilor Vlcek, seconded by Councilor Brotherton. Motion passes.

4. **Visitors**

Anyone wishing to address the City Council concerning items not already on the meeting agenda may do so in this section. No decision or action will be made, but the City Council could look into the matter and provide some response in the future.

No one spoke.

5. **Presentation/Informational** presentation on North Marion School District Local Option Levy by Superintendent, Boyd Keyser.

I want to explain the local levy option coming before the electors this is to allow us to raise a supplemental levy .74 cents per 1,000 value and this is for 4 years. So far we have not had too many cuts, however our teachers are down and our programs are down we have not purchased books in a while and program materials are down also teaching assistants support has been cut. This will be 582 thousand per year over the 4 year period 53% matching grant from the State if approved.

These are a few items we have been forced to cut in some areas;

- Books
- Teachers
- Teaching Assistance
- Technical issues
- New student computers

Councilor Brotherton where is the matching funds coming from, the State has been setting aside money.

Councilor Sahlin we have to spend money first and pass the levy.

Councilor Vlcek, are we allowed to raise the tax rate Boyd no we cannot it is a fixed rate. It was put into place in the 70's.

Mayor Graupp, what is your relationship with our Deputy? (Boyd) he has been great we have a new security officer and he has been helping a lot. Very positive and the kids like him.

Thank you for coming by.

Mayor Graupp, wants to discuss liaison positions at this time. I will continue with City Hall and staff

Councilor Vlcek, will be police and fire

Councilor Brotherton, will be Public Works

Councilor Sahlin, Parks and Council President

Councilor Sallee, will be the Planning Commission Liaison

5. **Discussion with Parks Committee, Councilor Sahlin**, I really don't think there are any updates we took summer off; recycle containers and spraying field, Otis we can get someone out there to spray the fields. Mayor Graupp I am still waiting to hear back from OSU they have had a slow start.

Councilor Vlcek, I have a question in the plans there were plans for baseball and for soccer and I would like to see the field set up for soccer after the baseball season. I do have someone that may be interested in supplying the goals.

Councilor Sahlin, I am not sure what was adopted I think we just simply ran out of funds it would be nice to see it happen.

Let's talk in the spring Councilor Sahlin I will talk to parks committee at the next meeting.

6. **Discussion with Traffic Safety Commission**,

7. **Reports**

A. **Marion County Deputy Report** – (included in your packet) Deputy Marcellais is on vacation and no report was supplied.

B. **Finance Officer's Report – Financials** (included in your packets)

1. Revenue & Expense Report

- Treasure's report, Sept 30 balances
- Audit went well,
- Proposal from Spring Brook to train 3 of us on the module for reconciliation, Mayor Graupp, is this a good value

We have been working on supplemental budget and meetings will be on Thursday's with the new payroll items and voting in January.

C. **Public Works Department's Report** – (included in your packet) absent, Bob is ill and Mayor Graupp reads his report. There are two trees that have completely destroyed the side walk and I am concerned about the safety. (Graupp it is my understanding they are city owned and our responsibility) both Richardson and Brotherton explain that it is the owners responsibility to care of trees in front of their property along with the sidewalks. Mayor Graupp I will do more research on this. I will

look at this again and talk to them and put together a plan. *We are looking at redoing the street parking and after this is done we can do Yakima.*

Councilor Vlcek, it's my understanding that there will be a barrier for parking will it be ADA compliance.

Let's discuss this again next month about the trees on Main and liberty.

Councilor Vlcek, did we officially end the water restrictions. Yes as of October 1st.

1. *Monthly Status Report (Storm Water)*
2. Monthly Status Report (Water)
3. Parks Report, OSU Tree Report

A. **Waste Water Treatment Plant Update** (from Otis Phillips, (included in your packet) everything is looking good and sludge is looking good.

D. **City Recorder's Report** (included in your packet)

- Nothing really big,
- We will be filing liens this week, on the Eddy property. Councilor Sallee will they be back dated to the date of the final order. (Yes)

Councilor Sahlin what is the status of the repairs list that we discussed I (Koho) presented it to his attorney and I have not heard back from him.

Councilor Vlcek the building is it on Eddy Ventures or on Janet's lot? Mayor Graupp states it's very close, is there a loop hole somehow with this that they can get an appeal. Koho states that his attorney understands that there are no appeals on this.

Councilor Brotherton, back to Mr. Fisher and the Legion Hall there are notes here from Fisher about whose fault it is. I think that because this is our main hall to rent I think that we could help with this issue. The sump pump issue was threes. So the tree on side walk is up in the air at this point.

E. **City Attorney's Report** – (not Included in your packet)

- No discussion as many items were discussed during other areas.

8. Ordinances and Resolutions

A. **Discussion and or Action on Ordinance 473 On Municipal Code Update to Title 17. From Legislative Amendment 2013-01 (LA-13-01) 2nd Reading by title only.** No questions from anyone.

A motion is made by Councilor Brotherton to adopt the first reading of Ordinance Number 473 and is seconded by Councilor Sahlin. Motion Passes Unanimously.

B. **Discussion and or Action on Resolution Number 678 for Bank Account Signatures.**

A motion to approve Resolution Number 678 to make Councilor Sahlin as Council President a signer on the bank accounts is made by Councilor Vlcek and seconded by Councilor Sallee. Motion Passes Unanimously.

9. New Business

- A. Moment of Silence for Fallen Chief Warrant Officer Johnathan S Gibson of Aurora.** This is observed as a group.
- B. Discussion and or Acknowledgement of Aurora Vision Action Plan,**

Motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to acknowledge the Aurora Vision Action Plan is made by Councilor Sallee and seconded by Councilor Sahlin. Motion Passes Unanimously.

- C. Discussion and or Action on OLCC License for St. Josef's Winery Special Events.**

Motion to approve the OLCC License for first Fridays on the 3 dates listed is made by Councilor Sahlin and is seconded by Councilor Brotherton. Motion Approved.

- D. Discussion and or Action on Recommendation from Planning Commission to appoint Tara Weidman to the Planning Commission,**

Motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation to appoint Tara Weidman to fill the vacant position from Steven Braun is made by Councilor Sallee and is seconded by Councilor Vlcek. Motion Passes.

10. Old Business

- A. Election of New Councilor from the Attached Letters of Interest.**

- Laurie Boyce, Aurora Oregon

Mayor Graupp, what interests you about council, I believe that I have learned a lot since I left employment of the city and would be an asset to the council.

Councilor Sahlin, what is your motivation and what do you see as the future, I learned a lot when employed with the city and I believe it is time to give back to the city. I believe I could help with grant writing.

Councilor Brotherton, is there anything that you see that we need to change as a council? I see projects that have been started and not finished. I see water leaks along liberty and why are we having water restrictions.

Councilor Vlcek no questions.

Mayor Graupp what are your strengths? I am an open honest person, I have an open door policy.

- Kris Sallee

Mayor Graupp what is your Interest in Council, after being on Planning Commission over the last year and being part of budget committee I have learned a lot in what it takes to run Aurora

and I have lived here many years and I see that it is a struggle to get things accomplished and I want to help keep it moving forward and to be a part of that.

Councilor Sahlin she really touched on it. Do you feel that your time on the Planning Commission will help you, have you gained enough knowledge? I believe so and since I have been attending the Council and Historic Review Board meetings I have knowledge of what is happening and how things get approved and the process in which they do it.

Councilor Brotherton, Is there anything you see we as a council are not doing correctly? I would say that there is really nothing is being done incorrectly but I have an area of interest in economic growth and how to grow Aurora in a positive way and be a part of that as well. I also have an interest in the budget. Another area of interest is emergency preparedness. I have been on the safety committee and I would like to see it enhanced.

Councilor Vlcek no questions

Mayor Graupp what skill and strengths do you think will be particularly helpful? Since I am currently a member of the Planning Commission and Budget Committee and have regular attendance at council meetings I feel these areas of involvement will help with leading Aurora, and as VP of communications this will help as well. Since I am current on Aurora issues the learning curve will be at a minimum.

Councilor Brotherton is there any ex-parte contact or conflict of interest that I need to declare or excuse myself from the voting process. City Attorney Koho states no you are fine there are no objections.

Councilor Vlcek, Sallee

Councilor Sahlin, I appreciate both applicants, my vote is for Sallee, I do encourage you Laurie to run for election next time.

Councilor Brotherton, Sallee

Mayor Graupp would like to thank both applicants as well, I vote for Sallee because of all her efforts.

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Added to agenda by the Mayor regarding the Fidanzo property, when Fidanzo applied for the lot line adjust there was an agreement made with the city for \$1500 not to exceed this amount now in July they went over and it was 200 over and at this point Mayor Taylor talked to Joe and there

was misunderstanding and a conversation occurred and COG went ahead and began process and now there is a 935.50 over the 1500 so how do we want to take care of this.

I (Mayor Graupp) think someone should talk with Joe and let him know the situation. Maybe speak with Taylor on this conversation.

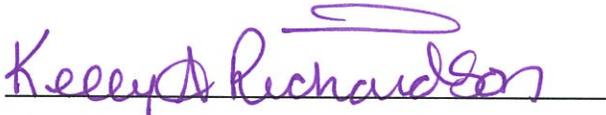
11. Adjourn

Mayor Graupp adjourns the meeting at 8:35 pm.

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Bill Graupp, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'Kelly Richardson', written over a horizontal line.

Kelly Richardson, City Recorder