

**Minutes**  
**Aurora City Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, December 09, 2014, at 7:00 P.M.  
City Council Chambers, Aurora City Hall  
21420 Main Street NE, Aurora, OR 97002

**STAFF PRESENT :** Mary Lambert, Finance Officer  
Darrel Lockard, Public Works Superintendent  
Kelly Richardson, CMC City Recorder  
Dennis Koho, City Attorney  
Pete Marcellais, Marion County Deputy

**STAFF ABSENT:** None

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Jan Peel, Aurora Visitors Association  
Joseph Schaefer, Aurora

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**1. CALL TO ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Graupp at 7:00 pm

**2. CITY RECORDER DOES ROLL CALL**

Mayor Graupp- Present  
Councilor Sahlin-Present  
Councilor Brotherton-Present  
Councilor Vlcek – Present  
Councilor Sallee - Present

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) City Council Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2014, Councilor Brotherton has a few formatting concerns regarding the November 12 minutes. Councilor Sallee agrees and has a few concerns as well.
- b) Planning Commission
- c) Historic Review Board Minutes – October 2014

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented but with formatting issues discussed was made by Councilor Sallee and is seconded by Councilor Brotherton. Motion approved by all present

**4. CORRESPONDENCE - NA**

**5. VISITORS**

Anyone wishing to address the Aurora 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 Aurora City Council could look into the matter and provide some response in the future. No comments were made during this section.

## 6. REPORTS

### a) Mayor Bill Graupp

- Mayor's report, Graupp touches on various topics regarding the election Graupp doesn't go into specifics.

Council discussed, nothing in this section

**ACTION: None**

### b) Marion County Deputy

- Deputy report is attached

Council discussion, there are no questions from council at this time.

**ACTION: None**

Officer Marcellais presents the City Council with a token of thanks for allowing him to serve the community of Aurora with a shadow box filled with various badges and patches. At this time Mayor Graupp asks Deputy Marcellais to make sure the new deputy keeps the relationship with North Marion School District intact.

### c) Traffic Safety Committee

- Traffic report no one is present. Deputy Marcellais informs the Council that all of the stop signs need the stop lines painted on the pavement. Marcellais also informs the council of a crash at the 2<sup>nd</sup> street intersection where the driver couldn't see the stop sign at all. Public Works and I are looking into moving the stop sign to a better location.

Council discussed the issues surrounding the stop sign lines and the need for them to be done.

**ACTION: The Council decides that something should go in the next city news letter informing the public of the speeding concerns around the town and that they have a zero tolerance position on this. At the same time informing the public that Officer Marcellais will be monitoring our local streets more closely.**

### d) Finance Officer

- Finance officer report, the tax revenues payments are coming in much quicker this year so that is nice.
- In the coming months we will be looking closure at the various accounts to determine if anything needs to be done.
- On your desk tops you will see the completed audit report for year ended 2014.

Council discussed briefly the audit report and how pleased with Finance Officer Lamberts first audit and how quickly it was completed.

**ACTION: None**

e) Public Works

- Public Works report, there have been a lot of alarms the Telemetry has been acting up currently we are trying to identify the issues.
- TMDL report is now complete the report had some revisions they have been completed and the report has been resubmitted.
- Water operation and maintenance is going well. The first reading with the new handheld had a few problems however we are working through them.
- Budget appears to be on track so far
- Started reviewing for next year's budget
- The City needs to begin setting some dollars aside for pump maintenance.

Council discussed a overgrown tree issue along Ottaway Rd.

**ACTION:** Councilor Vlcek asks Public Works Superintendent Lockard to look into the over grown trees along Ottaway Rd. Lockard will speak to the property owner.

f) Parks Committee

- Park report, Councilor Sahlin was wondering about the trees in the park from a previous meeting. Councilor Vlcek informed the council that he was simply waiting for nicer weather before he begins.

Council discussed, Public Works request for a pole saw to make trimming trees easier. Everyone on Council agrees this would make it easier.

**ACTION: None**

g) City Recorder

- Recorder report, Nothing new really most items are routine every month items
- Asks Council to acknowledge the letter submitted by Verizon Wireless to proceed with applying for their permits.

Council discussed, nothing

**ACTION: None**

Mayor Graupp informs the Council that he will be out of town beginning Saturday until next Saturday.

h) City Attorney

- City Attorney report

- The lease agreements with Sprint and AT&T along with Verizon are clear that they will reimburse the city for any and all taxes.
- The Orchard View Home Owners Association situation is ongoing.
- The title insurance has been purchased that is required for the Eddy situation. A court appearance is expected very soon. Mr. Eddy's attorney made contact to inform the city that there are two possible deals on the table. Councilor Brotherton asks City Attorney Koho if the City would get stuck with the cleanup of the property and all of the costs associated with it and Koho answered yes the city would.

Council discussed nothing at this time. Other than the need for a meeting prior to the hearing on the Eddy matter.

**ACTION: Mayor Graupp requests a meeting prior to the court hearing between himself Council President Sahlin and yourself. Finance Officer Lambert request to be involved in the meeting as well.**

## 7. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- a) None

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Discussion and or Action on Recommendation of Planning Commission to Renew Chair Schaefer and Commissioner Graham 4 year terms.

Motion to approve the recommendation from Planning Commission and Re-Appoint Chair Schaefer and Commissioner Graham to another 4 year term is made by Councilor Sahlin and is seconded by Councilor Sallee. Motion passed by all present.

- b) Discussion or Action on Recommendation of Historic Review Board to Renew Chair Abernathy and accept the letter of resignation of Bill Simon.

Motion to approve the recommendation from Historic Review Board to Re-Appoint Chair Abernathy and accept the resignation of Member Simon is made by Councilor Sallee and is seconded by Councilor Brotherton.

- c) Discussion and or Action on Allocation of Net Income from the Aurora Outdoor Antiques Faire.

Jan Peel with the Aurora Colony Visitor Association (ACVA) addresses the Council and gives a brief back ground of the Committee. The ACVA came about in 2005 when the Chamber of Commerce dissolved due to the fact that they were sued and couldn't afford the insurance any longer. At which time an agreement was made with the City that they would in a sense sponsor our event under the Cities insurance with the agreement that we would retain our ability to use the dollars raised during the fund raising to complete our downtown improvements each year. We (ACVA) have never asked the City for any of the revenue sharing money to

complete our projects we have always used our dollars raised in the Antique Faire. However this year when we wanted to purchase decorations for the downtown area Barb Pierson was told there was no money for that because our fundraising dollars were put in with all the other dollars of Aurora Colony Days. Since some of them were not as profitable our dollars were used for that. I am asking Council to again separate it out and allow us to use our dollars earned for our projects. The ACVA maintains the 2<sup>nd</sup> street restrooms with those dollars and many other viable downtown improvements.

The Council has a brief discussion regarding the issue Mayor Graupp states that they had pared down the budget and combined all the day's events into one line item. There were also some concerns of legality as to how the funds should be issued.

**ACTION:** It is the consensus of the Council to table this discussion in this forum and suggest a meeting between the Mayor, Council President Sahlin and City Attorney Koho along with the ACVA.

d) Discussion and or Action on Audit Report if Available.

There is a brief discussion and praise to Finance Officer Lambert on a job well done a no exception audit report.

A motion is made to accept the 2014 Audit Report by Councilor Vlcek and is seconded by Councilor Sallee. Motion is passed by all present.

e) Acknowledgement of Formal Election Results.

A motion is made to formally accept the 2014 elections results is made by Councilor Vlcek and is seconded by Councilor Brotherton. Motion is passed by all present.

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

a) None

Councilor Vlcek informs the City Council that he will be resigning from Council as soon as a suitable replacement is found. Mayor Graupp asks him to stay on until after the new budget cycle in May. Councilor Vlcek agrees to try to accommodate the request.

**10. ADJOURN**

Mayor Graupp adjourns the December 09, 2014 Council meeting at 8:13 P.M.



Bill Graupp, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kelly Richardson, CMC  
City Recorder