

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF
FEBRUARY 9, 2015
5:30 P.M.

THE DALLES CITY HALL
313 COURT STREET
THE DALLES, OREGON

PRESIDING: Mayor Steve Lawrence

COUNCIL PRESENT: Dan Spatz, Tim McGlothlin, Linda Miller, Russ Brown, Taner Elliott

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Nolan Young, City Attorney Gene Parker, City Clerk Julie Krueger, Administrative Fellow Daniel Hunter, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Planning Director Dick Gassman, Police Chief Jay Waterbury, Finance Director Kate Mast

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lawrence called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk Krueger; all Councilors present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lawrence invited the audience to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Lawrence noted the approval should include the Supplemental Agenda, adding Resolution No. 15-010 to the Consent Agenda and the Council agreed to remove Contract Review Board Item 11, A, contract for the design/build of the Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements, until more information was available.

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Young said he had provided the Council with copies of a press release concerning the resolution recently adopted concerning crude oil trains. He said it would be distributed unless the Council had any changes.

Young reminded the City Council of the upcoming Budget Work Session, scheduled for February 18.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Parker said he had identified 128 waivers of remonstrance and delayed development agreements which would be released next week, per Council direction.

Parker said he would be attending the annual government law seminar on February 20, with some topics including medical marijuana and Veterans preference employment law.

Parker said he would be bringing an ordinance amendment for Council consideration, to address dead and nuisance trees on private property.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Brown said he had missed the Council of Governments meeting, but he had attended a training for new City Councilors and found it to be very informative.

Councilor Spatz reported on his attendance at the QLife Agency meeting, saying he was getting up to speed with their activities.

Councilor Elliott said he had also attended the QLife Agency meeting, noting the next meeting was scheduled for February 26.

Councilor Miller said she had attended the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee meeting on January 27, with recommendations being considered by the Agency at tonight's meeting.

Mayor Lawrence said he would be attending the Gorge Commission meeting on February 10 and attending an orientation with Mid Columbia Economic Development District on February 11.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Miller and seconded by Elliott to approve the Consent Agenda as amended by adding Resolution No. 15-010. The motion carried unanimously.

Items approved by Consent Agenda were 1) approval of January 26, 2015 regular City Council meeting minutes; 2) approval of January 14, 2015 City Council work session meeting minutes; 3) Resolution No. 15-009 concurring with the Mayor's appointment of an Ad Hoc Bicycle Committee; and 4) Resolution No. 15-010 correcting an error in Resolution No. 15-004 by authorizing transfers of funds between categories of the Special Assessments Fund, making appropriations and authorizing expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Amendment to City's Annexation Policy

Administrative Fellow Hunter reviewed the staff report, pointing out the proposed definition of urbanization.

Randy Hager said he opposed the amendment because the description failed to define the value of urbanization and did not include zoning regulations.

There was discussion regarding concerns that citizens outside the city limits, but inside the urban growth boundary did not have local government representation. There was discussion regarding whether the Planning Commission should provide recommendations. It was determined this was a Council policy matter, not something the Planning Commission would be engaged in.

There was consensus that the commercial and industrial lands should continue to be annexed at the earliest opportunity, but to defer any residential annexations until further information and discussion could take place.

Jerry Johnson, 3102 East 13th Street, The Dalles, said he wanted to be notified of any changes and when they were forwarded to the County for approval.

City Manager Young said citizens did have some responsibility to keep informed and noted that all City Council and County Commission meeting agendas were posted to the respective websites.

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Steve Stroud, 3004 East 12th Street, The Dalles, expressed concern regarding residential annexations that could occur adjacent to agricultural land, which would then make it impossible for them to continue agriculture practices.

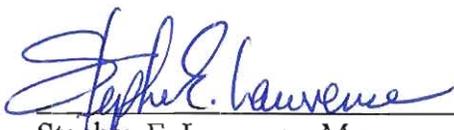
Planning Director Gassman noted that all residential lands within the Urban Growth Boundary were zoned for residential, not agriculture.

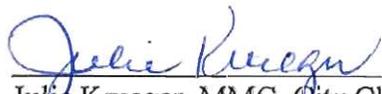
It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Brown to direct staff to process Land Use Development Ordinance (LUDO) amendments and a new resolution amending the current annexation policy to continue with annexation of commercial and industrial property as they develop and defer future annexation of residential properties. The motion carried; Miller voting no.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Submitted by/
Julie Krueger, MMC
City Clerk

SIGNED: 
Stephen E. Lawrence, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Julie Krueger, MMC, City Clerk