



City Council Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2022

City of Adams

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Graham Alderson at 6:28 p.m. Councilors Jeff Rost, John Thompson and Stephanie Partida were present. Councilor Stephen Vorhauer came in at 6:50 p.m. And Councilor Kristin Schmidtgall was excused. Also attending was Donna Grimes, City Recorder, Richard Stoupa, Public Works and Amanda Hespel, Librarian

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Published Agenda-

- The published Agenda was read by Mayor Alderson with a motion to approve made by Councilor Rost and seconded by Councilor Partida. The motion passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda- Councilor Rost moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the month of September 2022. This includes meeting minutes, the financial statements, and the bills for payment. There was a second by Councilor Thompson and the motion passed with all voting in favor.

Maintenance Report-

- Discussion centered on the remaining ARPA Funds for the water meter installation project with a spending authorization request for the purchase of remaining supplies from H.D. Fowler in the amount of \$8,948.26.
 - Councilor Partida moved to authorize the spending of up to \$9,000.00 for the supplies from H.D. Fowler. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Administrative Report-

- We are still waiting for the Sheriff's Department to stop by and collect the information on the vandalism at the Little League Park. Mayor Alderson will contact them again.
 - It was suggested a call out to Walla Walla Electric for a bid on two more cameras to help cover the "blind" spots in surveillance at the park and the Little League Field.

Library Report-No additions

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Safety Committee Meeting- The Council Meeting was suspended at 6:50 p.m. for a safety meeting. Moving the bike rack in front of City Hall was suggested so school age kids could leave their bikes in a safer place where they are monitored. There have been several complaints about kids on four wheelers speeding through town. Councilor Rost asked if the speed bumps needed to be put out again. The meeting ended at 7:03 p.m.

Administrative Committee-

- A Staff Meeting was held on September 30, 2022, during the noon hour. Librarian Amanda Hespel, Public Works Rich Stoupa, City Recorder Donna Grimes and Employee Supervisor Jeff Rost attended.
 - Topics of discussion were
 - The City's classification as an employer
 - Employee Handbook
 - Benefits and vacation payout
 - Workshop on October 24, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.-Since there were no real areas of concern at this time, the workshop on the employee handbook was cancelled and it will be set for review yearly in October.

Park Committee- Park Chair Kristin Schmidtgall will re-schedule another meeting.

Street Committee-Councilor Schmidtgall submitted another Small City Allotment Grant to do paving on Morrison Street for erosion control.

Water Committee-

- Councilor Rost presented the Council with a draft ROF for Municipal Well #4
 - He will add information on the One Stop meetings held to the request and forward to Umatilla County authorities.
 - Councilor Rost also reported the level of Well #3 is dropping.

Planning Commission-

- A letter was submitted by Carol Mills expressing her interest in serving on the Planning Commission and Jack Chase agreed to serve another term starting on 1/1/2023.
 - Councilor Rost moved to appoint Carol Mills to the Planning Commission, her term starting immediately until 12/31/2024 and to re-appoint Jack Chase whose term expires on 12/31/2022. He would serve until 12/31/2026. Councilor Partida seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Weeds mowed at Main and Preston lot and on Oro Street.
- 440 High Street is planning to move business to Athena.
- Eric Sederberg has withdrawn his agreement with Mike Humbert for locating his pallet business in Adams on Eric's property.
- Planning Commission discussed the amendments to Ordinance #254 and sent recommendations to the Council.

- Properties designated on their livestock permits as “Grandfathered or Conditioned for Livestock per Ordinance #219” whose ownership had not changed should be able to transition to a Type III Livestock Conditional Use Permit without paying the fee. They must submit a new permit application and go through Planning and Council for approval.
 - Properties that have sold or species/number of animals kept has changed from original permit, must submit a new application and appropriate fees and go through Planning and Council for a new permit.
 - The Planning Commission recommended adding the wording from Umatilla County Development Code concerning located on page 31.
 - The Planning Commission recommended using the wording used in Ordinance #219 to classify animals by size-Large, medium, and small.

Budget-

Code Enforcement-

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Emergency Response Plan-** Motion to table pending noted revisions by Councilor Rost and second by Councilor Vorhauer. Motion passed.
- **Community Center Restart-** Councilor Partida is looking for more information from the previous drawings and studies done.
- **Ordinance Amending #265-** Motion to table by Councilor Rost and seconded by Councilor Thompson. Motion carried.
- **Ordinance #266-Business Licenses-**Motion to table until the November 14, 2022, meeting was made by Councilor Rost and seconded by Councilor Partida. Motion carried.
- **Franchise Agreement with Charter-** Motion to table with questions by Councilor Rost and seconded by Councilor Partida. Motion carried.

New Business

Action Items-

- Finish update on Emergency Plan
- Sent Charter Franchise to LOC for review and research %5 cap on cable.
- Check on more security cameras
- Contact Gina Miller from Code Enforcement and see if there is a need for any more additions for enforcement in Livestock Ordinance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Thompson and seconded by Councilor Rost. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next City Council meeting is set for November 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.



Mayor



City Recorder