



City Council Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2024

City of Adams

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Graham Alderson at 6:30 p.m. Councilors Stephen Vorhauer, Jeff Rost, Lacy Solis, and John Thompson were present. Absent was Charles Vickery. Also attending was Donna Grimes, City Recorder, Richard Stoupa, Public Works and Amanda Hespel, Librarian.

The guest in attendance was Ethan Colvard, Adams resident.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Published Agenda-

- Mayor Alderson read the published Agenda.

The Consent Agenda- Councilor Rost moved to approve the Consent Agenda which includes meeting minutes, 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-

- The 1998 Chevy truck is having coolant issues. It has not been driven much since the new F350 arrived. The Council was asked how far they were willing to go to fix the truck.
 - Councilor Jeff Rost moved to declare the 1998 Chevy ½ ton pickup surplus. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- Bids for the snowplow are being updated so it can be ordered and scheduled for installation.

Administrative Report-

- No Additions.

Library Report-

- The updated policies will be reviewed and edited for consideration at the November 18 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Safety Committee Meeting- The Council Meeting was suspended at 7:09 p.m. for a safety meeting. Present were staff members Rich Stoupa, Amanda Hespel and Donna Grimes

- Bike riders are still causing problems on the sidewalk in front of City Hall.

The Council meeting resumed at 7:11 p.m.

Administrative Committee-

- Evaluations are due for Recorder and Librarian.
- The next staff meeting will include a handbook discussion.

Park Committee- Nothing to report

Street Committee- Nothing to report

Water Committee-

- Councilor Rost will bring proposals to the next meeting on rate increases for water.

Planning Commission-

- #2024-DEV12-370 William Street
 - A permit was approved for a storage building.
- John Thompson inquired about the procedure to de-annex his property from the city limits.
 - Carla McLane has been contacted for guidance.

Budget-

Code Enforcement-

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Historical Society Donation
 - Councilor Rost moved to donate Gilberta Lieuallen's research and papers to the Umatilla County Historical Society and Museum instead of permanent loan. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- New Library District Agreement
 - Mayor Alderson encouraged all Council members to read the current version and the new proposed version in preparation for a discussion with Director Heather Estrada.
- Ordinance #271-Street Standards
 - The proposed ordinance was reviewed with some suggested amendments and will be presented for a first reading at the November 18 Council meeting.

Action Items-

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Thompson and seconded by Councilor Vorhauer. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

The next City Council meeting is set for November 18, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.


_____ Mayor


_____ Recorder