

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2016
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
INTERVIEW FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER
6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Mayor Burge, Council President Erickson, Councilor Reed, Councilor Meshell, Councilor Hayden, Councilor Riffle, Councilor Haugen, City Manager Sykes, Police Chief Miller, City Recorder Reeves, Program Analyst Rains, Legal Counsel Rihala, and Applicant: Gregg Meyer.

Mayor Burge explained tonight Council will be interviewing for the Economic Development Committee. The applicant is Gregg Meyer, who is with Portland Community College.

After the interview was complete Mayor Burge explained the appointment will be on tonight's agenda.

Mayor Burge adjourned the Work Session at 6:19 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.
Scappoose Council Chambers
33568 East Columbia Avenue

Call to Order

Mayor Burge called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

City Council Members Present:

Scott Burge	Mayor
Jeff Erickson	Council President
Mark Reed	Councilor
Jason Meshell	Councilor
Barb Hayden	Councilor
Rich Riffle	Councilor
Joel Haugen	Councilor

Staff Present:

Michael Sykes	City Manager
Norm Miller	Police Chief
Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder
Ben Tolles	Americorps RARE Member

Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala

Press: Courtney Vaughn, Spotlight

Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Burge explained agenda item ~ 7.1 Improvement Agreement between Cascade Tissue and the City of Scappoose, will be placed on the agenda at the next Council meeting.

Councilor Hayden moved, and Council President Erickson seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Erickson, aye; Councilor Reed, aye; Councilor Meshell, aye; Councilor Hayden, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye, and Councilor Haugen, aye.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda ~ November 7, 2016 City Council Work Session minutes, November 7, 2016 City Council meeting minutes, and the appointment of Gregg Meyer, PCC, on the Economic Development Committee

Councilor Reed moved, and Councilor Hayden seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda ~ November 7, 2016 City Council Work Session minutes, November 7, 2016 City Council meeting minutes, and the appointment of Gregg Meyer, PCC, on the Economic Development Committee. Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Erickson, aye; Councilor Reed, aye; Councilor Meshell, aye; Councilor Hayden, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye, and Councilor Haugen, aye.

New Business

Res 16-23 Canvassing Results of the Nov. 8, 2016 Election

City Manager Sykes explained in the packet is a copy of the election abstract from the Columbia County Elections Department, and it is a requirement that City Council adopt those results.

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Haugen seconded the motion to approve Res 16-23 Canvassing Results of the Nov. 8, 2016 Election. Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Erickson, aye; Councilor Reed, aye; Councilor Meshell, aye; Councilor Hayden, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye, and Councilor Haugen, aye.

IGA ~ Marijuana Tax Collection Agreement

Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala explained with the passage of the local marijuana tax the City has the option to either collect it itself, or to enter into an IGA with the Department of Revenue for the Department of Revenue to collect the tax and distribute it back to the City. She explained this is the template agreement that the Department of Revenue has come up with. She explained small changes could potentially be considered, but the Department of Revenue made it clear that they are not interested in changing it significantly.

City Manager Sykes explained staff felt it was more prudent to let the State collect the tax. He explained there is an administrative fee of 4% that we would have to pay, but with the amount of work it may be, staff feels it might be better to go through the State.

Councilor Haugen, moved and Councilor Riffle seconded the motion to approve the IGA ~ Marijuana Tax Collection Agreement with the Department of Revenue.

Councilor Meshell stated he thinks the City is doing a smart thing by actually not collecting the money itself, because it actually gives the City some distance from the actual collection. He stated if the City did collect it, it would be putting the City staff in the position as opposed to the State staff in the position of actually taking proceeds from a substance that is still illegal from the Federal Law. He stated this actually protects the City in a way since the State is actually a buffer for us from any kind of lawsuit in the future of the actual collection of revenues.

Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Erickson, aye; Councilor Reed, aye; Councilor Meshell, aye; Councilor Hayden, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye, and Councilor Haugen, aye.

Proclamation ~ Heritage Tree

Americorps RARE Member Ben Tolles explained staff recognizes that the tree is very beautiful, and wants to make sure it is still there when the City develops the park, and as a statement that the City cares about its trees.

City Manager Sykes explained the other thing that is interesting is Pat Russell sent the City an email about the tree complementing the City for recognizing the tree as a heritage tree. Mr. Russel estimates the tree to be about 150 years old. He stated the tree really is a beautiful tree and it will be nice to have it in the City's park.

Councilor Hayden thinks it is wonderful that we are protecting the tree.

Councilor Reed asked if we are going to put some kind of designation on the tree.

Ben Tolles explained the Parks & Recreation Committee is going to talk about it at their next meeting.

Mayor Burge read the proclamation.

Mayor Burge thanked Ben for his work on this.

Announcements ~ information only

Calendar

Mayor Burge went over the calendar.

City Manager

City Manager Sykes explained staff has been notified that on December 15 we will be given an opportunity to address the Oregon Transportation Commission about our Immediate Opportunity Grant Fund application and their staff is recommending approval. He and Councilor Haugen went to the County Commission meeting to try and find out what their interest was with the Chapman Landing property. The County Commissions concern was that they had received grants that might encumber that property. They did make that effort to talk to the County and they will make it again. He explained at the next meeting Council will hear about the draft wastewater master plan that is being prepared by Keller and Associates. He stated that staff needs to take a really close look at some of the findings in the plan and possibly get a second opinion about some of the potential costs associated with that. Also staff delayed the annexation of the airport property because we wanted to make sure that we have the capacity to serve that property.

Mayor Burge explained there will probably be a special meeting on January 9 for the second reading of the annexation.

City Manager Sykes explained he has been here for almost two years, and he really has grown to appreciate this Council. He thanked Council President Erickson, Councilor Meshell, and Councilor Haugen, and said they have been a pleasure to work for. He stated to Jeff, Jason and Joel, on behalf of the staff, thank you for your leadership.

Police Chief

Chief Miller explained Doughnut Day is Saturday, December 10, from 7am to 1pm in front of the Scappoose Middle School. All the food and donations they take in go to the Scappoose Food Bank.

Chief Miller thanked Council President Erickson, Councilor Meshell, and Councilor Haugen. He stated they have done an exceptional job and when they leave here they should be very proud of that.

Mayor Burge and Councilor Reed gave a cash donation to Chief Miller.

Councilors & Mayor

Councilor Haugen stated hats off to Americorps RARE Member Ben Tolles with the tree activity. He talked about Chapman Landing, and why it is so important to get Columbia County to give up their portion of Chapman Landing. He stated without that piece there is really no way of determining the property lines.

Mayor Burge explained he and City Manager Sykes went to the Oregon Business Plan's Oregon Leadership Summit today and the first afternoon session was the Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center, who did a presentation to the business leaders of the State on what Scappoose has going on.

Executive Session ~ ORS 192.660(2)(i) Employee Evaluations

Mayor Burge read the opening Executive Session statement.

In attendance: Mayor Burge, Councilor President Erickson, Councilor Reed, Councilor Meshell, Councilor Hayden, Councilor Riffle, Councilor Haugen, and City Manager Sykes.

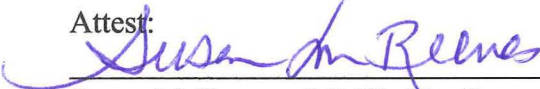
Mayor Burge came out of Executive Session.

Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.



Scott Burge, Mayor

Attest:


Susan M. Reeves, MMC, City Recorder