

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017
CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
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
Rich Riffle	Councilor
Patrick Kessi	Councilor
Megan Greisen	Councilor
Natalie Sanders	Councilor
Joel Haugen	Councilor

Staff Present:

Michael Sykes	City Manager
Norm Miller	Police Chief
Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder

Press: Courtney Vaughn, Spotlight

Excused: Council President Mark Reed and Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala

Approval of the Agenda

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Greisen seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda ~ August 21, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes and August 21, 2017 City Council meeting minutes

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Kessi seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda ~ August 21, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes and August 21, 2017 City Council meeting minutes. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye.

New Business

PSU Working Communities Network MOU

City Manager Sykes explained at the last meeting we had representatives from Portland State University's School of Engineering here to offer an opportunity to the City to participate in their Working Communities Network which would allow us to take advantage of some of their engineering students to take on different projects that are important to the City that we might not necessarily have the staff capacity to perform. He explained this agreement before Council, if Council agrees to it, will allow us to begin that process. The staff report explained this program was established by the Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science in order to provide student teams the opportunity to experience civil engineering first hand and for governments to find solutions to local issues at no cost to the jurisdiction. Projects will be completed in 5 to 6 month intervals between January and June of each year. Student teams are supervised at Portland State University by faculty and a staff member from the City becomes the designated point of contact for data and information requests over the duration of the project.

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Sanders seconded the motion that Council authorize City Manager Sykes to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science at Portland State University in order to participate in the Working Communities Network Program. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye

Ord No. 864: An Ordinance of the City of Scappoose Amending Chapter 3.24 of the Scappoose Municipal Code to Clarify Exemptions to the City's Transient Lodging Tax

City Manager Sykes explained Mayor Burge brought this to staffs attention that we had some confusion in the amendments for the City's Transient Lodging Tax that was adopted in 2002. This ordinance simply cleans up the language and makes sure that the City's ordinance is consistent with State Law.

Mayor Burge opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m., and asked if there was anyone who would like to comment on this issue. He stated seeing none he will close the public hearing.

Councilor Haugen moved, and Councilor Riffle seconded the motion to read Ord No. 864: An Ordinance of the City of Scappoose Amending Chapter 3.24 of the Scappoose Municipal Code to Clarify Exemptions to the City's Transient Lodging Tax, By Title Only and Place on the Agenda for Final Passage at the Next Meeting.

Mayor Burge read the title of Ordinance No. 864 for the first time.

Announcements ~ information only

Calendar

Mayor Burge went over the calendar.

City Manager, Councilors, and Mayor

City Manager Sykes explained Council has a copy of the department report. He wanted to mention with the efforts of staff and the pressure from the Council we are fortunate to see some upgrades to our traffic lights through Scappoose. We have the blinking yellow light, which he thinks has made a big difference. He explained we have been working on improvements to Miller Park and he learned today that our application for a grant was approved. He mentioned Public Works Staff is undertaking something they have never done before, they are doing crack sealing. He explained staff borrowed equipment from Columbia County and are working on streets in the area behind the Scappoose High School. He explained we also received notification that Columbia County was only four Counties in Oregon that was designated as a disaster area by FEMA. He explained that the broken pipeline on the hill that occurred in January and some improvements we did at the dam will be reimbursed by the Federal Government.

Chief Miller stated the Police Department's National Night Out went pretty good, even though it was pretty hot. The Ice Cream Social will be August 30th behind OTTO Petersen School, starting at 5:30 pm. He explained on September 8th Police Officer Kolten Edwards will be graduating from the Academy. On September 23rd is the Suicide Prevention Walk at the Middle School, registration will start at 7:30 am.

Councilor Kessi explained he is glad to see the traffic changes in regards to the yellow flashing lights.

Councilor Greisen explained she also is happy to see the changes, the traffic has been better.

Councilor Sanders explained her commute has been better since the yellow flashing lights.

Mayor Burge explained he posted information on the flashing yellow lights because some people thought it was like normal, speed up and go through. He thinks people are figuring the lights out. He explained he has the information on the "If I Were Mayor" contest. He explained he would like to talk to local teachers about this and promote it.

Executive Session ~ ORS 192.660(2)(e) Real Property Transactions


Mayor Burge went into Executive Session at 7:13 p.m.

Present: Mayor Burge, Councilor Riffle, Councilor Kessi, Councilor Greisen, Councilor Sanders, Councilor Haugen, City Manager Sykes, Chief Miller, City Recorder Reeves, and Courtney Vaughn with the Spotlight.

Mayor Burge came out of Executive Session into open session.

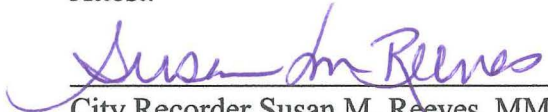
Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.



Mayor Scott Burge

Attest:



City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC