

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2017

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

Moment of Silence

Mayor Burge asked for a moment of silence in memory of the victims from the shooting that occurred on October 1, in Las Vegas.

Roll Call

City Council Members Present:

Scott Burge	Mayor
Mark Reed	Council President
Rich Riffle	Councilor
Patrick Kessi	Councilor
Megan Greisen	Councilor
Natalie Sanders	Councilor

Staff Present:

Michael Sykes	City Manager
Norm Miller	Police Chief
Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder
Alexandra Rains	Assistant to City Manager

Press: Courtney Vaughn, Spotlight

Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala

Excused: Councilor Joel Haugen

Also present in the audience: Public Works Director Dave Sukau.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda ~ September 18, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes & September 18, 2017 City Council meeting minutes

Councilor Riffle moved, and Council President Reed seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda ~ September 18, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes & September 18, 2017 City Council meeting minutes. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Reed, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, and Councilor Sanders, aye.

New Business

Ordinance No. 865: An Ordinance of the City of Scappoose Amending Scappoose Municipal Code 12.16 Regulating Municipal Parks

Chief Miller stated myself, Assistant to City Manager Alexandra Rains, Public Works Director Dave Sukau, Field Services Supervisor Doug Nassimbene and AmeriCorps RARE Participant Garrett Peterson were asked by City Manager Sykes to look at the regulations for the parks, since we are improving the parks. He went over the proposed updates.

Councilor Greisen asked about letter T ~ No fires are permitted. She asked if there can still be barbeques?

Chief Miller replied a barbeque is not considered a fire. He stated we are talking about no open flames.

Councilor Kessi stated could we clarify that by saying excludes everything but barbeques.

Chief Miller replied it could be amended to add barbeques.

Mayor Burge opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m., and closed the public hearing due to no one wanting to speak on this matter.

Mayor Burge talked about the section regarding hours, and he doesn't necessarily think they would need to come back to Council for approval of extended hours. He thinks the City Manager could take care of that versus the Council. He stated if someone doesn't like it they can come to the Council. He stated that would be under 12.16.020, section A and section 11.

Council President Reed asked if we have signage reflecting some of this?

Chief Miller replied yes, we will.

Mayor Burge asked can we also have CIS look at any signs we put up?

Chief Miller replied certainly.

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Greisen seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 865, as presented.

Mayor Burg read the title of Ordinance No. 865, for the first time.

Ordinance No. 866: An Ordinance of the City of Scappoose Amending Scappoose Municipal Code 12.20 Regulating the Skate Park

Chief Miller explained years ago there was a work session regarding the skate park and one of the things that came out of it was to allow bicycles and scooters in the skate park. He explained to this date we have not had any problems with everybody out there. He explained they felt they should take the step forward in Ordinance No. 866 and permit bicycles and scooters to be used in the skate park, just so it is on the books.

Mayor Burge opened the public hearing at 7:12 p.m., and closed the public hearing due to no one wanting to speak on this matter.

Councilor Riffle moved, and Council President Reed seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 866, as presented.

Mayor Burg read the title of Ordinance No. 866, for the first time.

DLCD Technical Assistance Grant ~ Resolution No. 17-29

Assistant to City Manager Alexandra Rains went over the staff report. She explained Scappoose City Council identified as a 2017-2018 Goal the exploration of the potential use of Urban Renewal, as a method to promote economic development and fund capital improvements such as infrastructure. Staff has completed their initial research on Urban Renewal and hosted several presentations on the topic over the last few months, both for the Economic Development Committee and for a joint Council/Economic Development Committee work session. Following the joint work session, Council expressed interest in completing an Urban Renewal Feasibility Study to definitively determine whether or not an Urban Renewal District would be an appropriate tool for the City. Aspects of this study would include, but not be limited to, determination of district boundaries, district project lists and demand projections. In order to assist with financing this Study, staff is pursuing a Department of Land Conservation and Development Technical Assistance Grant. She explained the City has \$12,500.00 available in the Economic Development Committee fund to be used as match for the Technical Assistance Grant. The City is requesting a grant award of \$22,480.00 from the program.

Council President Reed moved, and Councilor Kessi seconded the motion that City Council approve Resolution No. 17-29, thereby authorizing the City Manager to apply for the Department of Land Conservation and Development Technical Assistance Grant. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Reed, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, and Councilor Sanders, aye.

Permission for Rotary to use Park outside of Park hours ~ 12.20.040 Hours of operation.

The skate park shall be open during the summer (May 1 through September 30) between the hours of seven a.m. and ten p.m., and during the winter (October 1 through April 30) between the hours of eight a.m. and seven p.m. except by approval of the Scappoose City Council.

Mayor Burge stated the dedication for the fountain at Heritage Park will be on Saturday, October 7, starting at 6:30 p.m. He is requesting the park be open until 10:00 p.m. for this event. Councilor moved, and Councilor seconded the motion to extend the park hours for the dedication on October 7, 2017, until 10:00 p.m.

Councilor Kessi moved, and Councilor Riffle seconded the motion to extend the park hours on October 7, 2017, until 7:00 p.m. for the dedication of the fountain in Heritage Park. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Reed, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, and Councilor Sanders, aye.

Mayor Burge stated it is going to be a great event.

Announcements ~ information only

Calendar

Mayor Burge went over the calendar.

City Manager, Police Chief, Councilors, and Mayor

City Manager Sykes stated before Council is his report. He stated things are going really well. He explained the playground equipment for Miller Park will be arriving around October 9, and staff is hoping to get that installed sometime in November.

Members from Boy Scout Troop 294 are present this evening.

Chief Miller explained the Scappoose Police Department will be doing their annual Halloween Night ~ Hot Chocolate event again this year by Scappoose High School. He explained the School Resource Officer Troy Gainer will be doing Halloween safety in the schools. He explained on December 9 the Scappoose Police will be doing their annual Donut Day.

Councilor Kessi went to the League of Oregon Cities conference. He asked if there is any way to get the local recycler to offer recycling every week instead of every other week.

City Manager Sykes replied we could look into that.

Councilor Riffle also attended the League of Oregon Cities conference. He stated there was a session on meeting laws, and he learned that if Council takes notes the City Recorder needs to know where they are kept. He also talked about emails and how to handle them, and how they should be kept on the server.

Councilor Greisen explained School Resource Officer Troy Gainer is going to come talk with their Moms of Preschoolers group regarding Halloween Safety. She also explained the Park & Rec Committee has a couple of openings. She thanked Alexandra Rains and Dave Powers for presenting the whole Vista Park plan to apply for the RTP Grant.

Assistant to City Manager Alexandra Rains explained, what the RTP Committee said is they really liked the park overall, but they wanted to see a fully developed idea and they really wanted to see that trail plan even if that was part of phase two. The RTP Committee explained there was a National Parks Services Program that could help pay to put that plan together and they would write a letter of recommendation to help us get into that program, and then they invited us to reapply to their program once we have that in place.

Councilor Sanders stated she is excited and happy to see the speed limit changed to 25 mph on Old Portland Road. She asked how does that work, in regards to the limit changing?

Chief Miller replied it was a little over a year ago, he and City Engineer Chris Negelspach took on a project to try and change the speed to 25 mph. He explained the 25 mph speed limit starts just north of Dutch Canyon to Highway 30. He explained they are stopping people for speeding but not issuing citations yet. He explained he and Public Works Director Dave Sukau met and they are working on placing more speed limit signs out there so when drivers come off of side streets they will see the speed limit signs.

Council President Reed stated one of the things he has also wanted to do on this Council is to give the citizens and the tax payers something tangible, something that they can see, or something they can participate in, they can touch, or they can be a part of. He stated we are looking at a 20 million dollar plus challenge, over the next 20 years, most of which people aren't going to really care about, they are not going to see it, and probably not going to care about it, at least until their toilet doesn't flush, and then they are going to care. He stated it is really good, and he knows a lot was done with donations, but it is really good to see that we are going to open something up this weekend that people can see, they can participate in, and they can touch and actively be a part of something we have worked a long time to make happen. He is really glad to see it.

Mayor Burge awarded the CIS Gold Safety Award to City Manager Sykes. He explained the City of Scappoose received this award for not having any injuries during the fiscal 2016/2017. Mayor Burge stated with everything the City is doing it is really nice to see there weren't any injuries that required lost time.

Mayor Burge stated he also attended the League conference. He explained he attended a presentation which talked about if we charge for use of city facilities, we are no longer protected by some of the recreational immunities, so it is something to consider when we are talking about fees. He stated in some areas it is limited, the maximum a city can charge. He explained it was a CIS presentation and he thinks that we should be able to download it off the LOC website.

Mayor Burge stated he is looking forward to the fountain dedication. He agrees with Council President Reed that when Gary Liao first came in here and pitched the proposal about the fountain, we were excited then, and now it is almost finished, and it turned out to be incredible. He stated the fountain is unique. He is not sure if people realize this is the first piece of public art work that Michael Curry has ever done. He thinks everyone is going to be thrilled when they see not only the water, but the sounds and light that the fountain is going to provide.

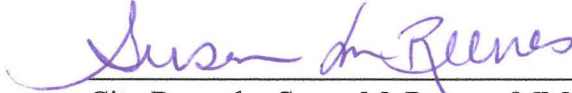
Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.



Mayor Scott Burge

Attest:



City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC