

Rivergrove City Council Meeting Minutes
Nov 14,2022, 7:00 PM

STANDING ITEMS

1. Request the public to let City Manager know if they wish to speak on an agenda item. (Boat Ramp Public Hearing items do not need to be requested prior to the hearing.)

2. Call to order and attendance (Mayor, Councilors, and Guests)

Present were Mayor Williams, Council President Pierce, Councilors Barhyte, Tuttle and Lahsene.

City Manager (CM) Kibbey was present.

Guests were D McLean Curt Taylor, Jeff Williams, M Hawkins, J Anderson, Joan Joyce, Landon and Jude, Carolyn Bahrman, Arne Nyberg, Lisa Merlo-Flores, R Shafer, and Brenda Ruble.

3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)

Councilor Barhyte voted to approve the Oct 10, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted, Mayor Williams seconded. The minutes were approved 5-0.

4. Approval of City financials

Mayor Williams voted to approve the financials as submitted, Councilor Barhyte seconded. The motion was approved 3-1-1 with Council President Pierce voting nay and Councilor Tuttle abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Representative from the Planning Commission

The Planning Commission discussed the proposed new development code and how they were going to approach it. The Chair wants to review all the old ordinances and compare them to the proposed code. At their next meeting they will discuss the Taylor application.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS (other than testimony for the Boat Ramp Signage public hearing.)

There was none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Title IV Legislative Public Hearing for the Stark Boat Ramp Signage

The City Manager reviewed the procedure for this hearing. There was discussion regarding whether there was proper public notice or not. It was then suggested we allow persons wanting to testify at this meeting be allowed to do so but leave the record open so we can be sure public notice requirements will be met. Councilor Tuttle made a motion to do so, Councilor Lahsene seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Answering a question by C Taylor, it was stated that the ordinance will contain the language for the sign. He questioned how we define large boats. The Mayor stated that since the proposed language is large boats are “not recommended”, this alleviates the issue, but protects us (as much as possible) legally. Council President stated that the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) stated we can’t prohibit any size of watercraft, but the proposed language is a good compromise.

The City Manager stated written public testimony will be published on the website. City Council is not debating the issue, only hearing testimony. Both verbal and written testimony will be accepted at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

[OPEN]

Mayor Williams moved to adjourn; Councilor Barhyte seconded. Mayor Williams and Councilor Barhyte voted yes, Council President Pierce, Councilor Lahsene and Councilor Tuttle voted no. Motion defeated 2-3.

2. Update on bids for the electronic gate at the boat ramp -

*Councilor Barhyte stated he will have a meeting with vendors before the next meeting. Councilor Lahsene said that Oswego roofing would offer \$300 on any gate or fence if we wanted to consider them. **[OPEN]***

3. Hiring administrative support for the City Manager, approval of job descriptions

*Mayor Williams stated it is being delayed for legal reasons. Council President was wondering why there is no progress on this meeting. Mayor Williams stated he cannot discuss further without the City Attorney present in an executive session. He also stated he will have the City Attorney address it with Council as soon as possible. He will talk with the City Manager to set up such a meeting at the conclusion of this meeting. **[OPEN]***

*Council President Pierce stated the job descriptions had not been approved. Mayor Williams stated he will make sure it is on the next meeting. **[OPEN]***

4. Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant, prioritizing suggested projects

*Council President Pierce suggested spending some of this money for boat ramp to repair the boat ramp. He also stated that the sign at Minor Park is beginning to rot. Council decided to reprioritize projects at the next meeting. We have about \$79,000 in the fund that probably needs to be spent by summer 2023. Councilor Lahsene reminded us that we need good estimates, a time frame to spend, and to account for the need (if any) for permits. **[OPEN]***

NEW BUSINESS

There was none

COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Councilor Lahsene: Transportation report (recurring)

The project for repaving Marlin, Dogwood and Tualamere will be put in the bidding cycle January 2023.

The diversion committee is going into a great deal of detail trying to understand all the underlying assumptions. A lot of the data has some issues, and we need to understand what they are accounting ad what they are assuming.

Also meeting with the Clackamas Counties cities staff committee.

2. Councilor Pierce: Parks report (recurring) and any other matters

Water fountains have been turned off.

The drainage is not working.

Has heard the gate at the boat ramp is being closed early, and that it is being closed during operating hours contrary to a Council vote.

He estimates it will cost about \$3,000 for the boat ramp repair.

3. Councilor Barhyte: Giving Program (recurring) and any other matters

No report

4. Councilor Tuttle: City Code (recurring) and any other matters

Regarding a Code for “abandoned” properties and/or “fire hazards”, he suggests an ordinance rather than considering a

whole Municipal code.

He would like to see a posting of all ordinances and PC interpretations on the City Website

5. Mayor: Mayor’s Report

He is putting together a list of the Mayor’s duties and meetings for the next Mayor, whoever that is.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Received a report from the Secretary of State that the report in lieu of audit submitted by her predecessor had a number of mistakes. She is working through them.

PENDING ITEMS (to be discussed at a later date but kept on the agenda while Council deals with higher priority items first.)

1. Status of Contracting out City Development Code Inspection Services: Lead Individual: Mayor Williams
City must have new Development Code to proceed.
2. Discussion Regarding How Sewer might be Brought to Unserved Properties, Exploring the Issues. Lead Individual: Councilor Tuttle
3. Review City Manager's Salary--whether it should come from General or part Highway fund.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Council and staff may adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 192.660: As needed (appropriate subsection shall be cited))

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Lahsene moved to adjourn, Councilor Barhyte seconded, and the motion was approved 5-0.