

Rivergrove City Council Meeting Minutes Feb 8, 2021

STANDING ITEMS

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

Present were Mayor Williams, Councilors Barhyte, Lahsene, Pierce and Tuttle. City Manager (CM) Kibbey was present.

Guests were M Salch, D Shafer, C Nyberg, D McLean, Jude and Landon, and H Piatek.

Guests from Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue were Cassandra Ulven and Chief Steve Forster

2. Review of minutes from previous meeting(s):

Councilor Tuttle had sent a draft of the January minutes to councilors and the CM. CM Kibbey added a comment by councilor Lahsene and sent them to the Council for approval. Those minutes were approved 5-0 City Council.

3. Review of financials

Councilors Barhyte and Pierce reviewed the financials and found them satisfactory. Mayor Williams moved they be approved, Councilor Lahsene seconded. They were approved 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

M Salch commented about solving problem technique.

D Shafer wanted to comment about the boat ramp, but was informed that under current policy, he could not. Council has remediation of this issue on the March agenda.

D McLean offered an opinion that agenda items needed more detail.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Filling Potholes on Childs Road west of 65th:

*Mayor Williams said the contractor working on Lorna Lane homes would be willing to fill the pothole resulting from a sewer connection on Childs west of 65th if he had some leftover material. He is still waiting on a bid from one contractor that visited the site. Another contractor declined to bid because the project was too small. **[OPEN]** Lead Individual: Mayor Williams*

2. Boat Ramp Issues:

Councilor Pierce stated in his opinion that we were not able to resolve much of anything in the workshop preceding the meeting. After much discussion on various aspects of the issue, the Council concluded that before asking for public opinion, and before discussing the issue ourselves, we need to determine the scope of the issue and specific issues of concern. The Council concluded that we should title this “operational issues concerning the boat ramp”.

It was moved by Councilor Tuttle and seconded by Mayor Williams to post the Boat Ramp report written by Councilor Pierce and former Councilor Ruble on the City website. Citizens should know that the report is fact finding and contains no recommendations. Motion passed 5-0.

It was moved by Councilor Tuttle and seconded by Councilor Barhyte to post the citizen petition without names on the City website. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Councilor Lahsene and seconded by Mayor Williams to post the comments regarding boat ramp issues on the City website. Motion passed 5-0.

The Council decided to have a Town Hall at 7PM on Tuesday March 2 to discuss the operation and use of the boat ramp. The notice will emphasize that we have no intentions of ever closing the boat ramp. [OPEN] Lead Individual: Councilor Pierce

3. Tree Cutting Code: Lead Individual:

Councilor Pierce presented a revised form for a tree cutting application. Concern was expressed that the City Arborist fee was \$130.00 per hour. Although this does not differ much from other Arborist fees, those fees usually are for trimming and removal, not a mitigation plan review. A simple mitigation plan review typically involves about 15 minutes. Councilor Pierce will meet later this week with the Arborist and will discuss the matter. [OPEN] Lead Individual: Councilor Pierce

4. Inspection for Compliance with Development Condition Permits

Mayor Williams met with Chris (last name?) from Durham. He can't provide an e-copy of the contract Durham has with Tualatin because they only have a hard copy. Rivergrove will not adopt a contract until the new development code is approved. [OPEN] Lead Individual: Mayor Williams

5. Mechanisms for Citizens to Comment on Agenda Items:

Counselor Pierce reviewed his findings and presented a draft policy. After much discussion and meaningful input from Councilors, Council President Pierce will modify his draft policy to accommodate the agreed upon suggestions. This item will be moved to the first item of unfinished business to potentially allow public comment on agenda items. [OPEN] Lead Individual: Councilor Pierce

6. Extension of Sewer:

Councilor Tuttle stated that the interest of one citizen prompted him to investigate how to provide sewer to the rest of the City that does not have access to sewer. The City of Rivergrove has an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Lake Oswego for Lake Oswego to provide sewer to Rivergrove. Currently Lake Oswego will not provide any extension of the current system. This is because they require Rivergrove to either approve their current master plan, modify it, or provide an alternative. An informational packet was provided that included Lake Oswego's master plan, some of the City Resolutions regarding sewer, and a draft concept for discussion. This is a significant undertaking and will require significant input and discussion that will likely last many months. It was moved by Councilor Lahsene and seconded by Councilor Pierce that Councilor Tuttle be permitted to talk to the City Attorney for 30 minutes. Motion passed 5-0. [OPEN] Lead Individual: Councilor Tuttle

NEW BUSINESS (to be added as needed)

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

There was no Planning Commission (PC) meeting business to report. The new Code is at the LCDC for its' 35-day review. The City Planner will hold an information sharing meeting on the new code with the PC in about 6 weeks. After that, the PC will schedule a public hearing.

COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Councilor Lahsene: Transportation report (recurring) and any other matters

The radar speed sign is hooked up and just needs to be powered on. Councilor Lahsene is now communicating with the Clackamas County transportation manager, and the C4 group as well as a small cities group.

2. Councilor Pierce: Park's report (recurring) and any other matters

Will set up a workday to remove the remains of the willow cutting from the park.

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

Talking with a neighbor about some ideas and will report on them next month.

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

Discussed about providing sewer in an item above.

5. Mayor: Mayor's Report

Met with Mayors to continue discussion on police reform.

Asked Councilors to provide him 3 items for inclusion in the annual Mayor's report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: none

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

Not needed

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Barhyte, seconded by Mayor Williams. Passed 5-0.