

City Council Meeting Minutes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2011

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY OF COLUMBIA CITY, COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

AGENDA ITEM 1 **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

CONVENED:

Mayor Young called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Young delivered the invocation and led the flag salute.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Cheryl A. Young
Councilor Shannon Fitzgibbons
Councilor Josh Fromm
Councilor Sally Ann Marson
Councilor Casey Wheeler (by phone)

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael McGlothlin, Chief of Police
Leahnette Rivers, City Administrator/Recorder

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

None

A quorum was present and due notice had been published.

AGENDA ITEM 2 **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

AGENDA ITEM 3 **CITIZEN INPUT:**

Josh Erickson of Columbia City said he's a student and his attendance at this meeting is a requirement for a course he is taking.

AGENDA ITEM 4 **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

4.1 Parks Committee: Chair Fitzgibbons said the Parks Committee met recently and will be working on the placement of the flagpole and lighting at the entrance sign site. She said a photo-shoot is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25 at 3:30 p.m. at the site.

Councilor Fromm said he will complete the finish work for the flagpole.

Chair Fitzgibbons said the memorial plaque for Harvard Anderson looks really nice, and the Committee is looking for a rock to mount it on. She said the plaque will be installed in Harvard Park.

Chair Fitzgibbons said the Committee would like to ask the local papers to do an article about the trillium in Jim Bundy Memorial Park when it begins to bloom.

4.2 Water Source and Development Committee: Chair Fromm said Eric Collins of GSI Water Solutions, Inc., has provided a comprehensive report about the Rehabilitation of Public Works Well #2, which is included in the packet.

Councilor Marson inquired about the original flow meter that was used in 2007. Leahnette said she doesn't know what flow meter was used in 2007, but she doesn't think the meter belonged to the City. She said she will look into it.

Councilor Marson asked if there is anything new with regard to coliform issues with the well. Leahnette said nothing is new, and the City continues to perform the monitoring required by the Health Division.

4.3 Street Committee: Chair Wheeler said the Street Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 2, 2011.

4.4 Sewer Committee: Chair Marson said the City's insurance company has estimated the damages to the Heller's residence to be in the neighborhood of \$80,000.

Leahnette said the City continues to fast track the RCE sewer main replacement project.

4.5 Audit Committee: Chair Wheeler said the Audit Committee will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 31, 2011.

4.6 Library Report: Liaison Marson said the minutes from the recent Friends of the Library Meeting are in the packet..

4.7 Hazard Mitigation Planning Group: Team Leader Fromm said the Hazard Mitigation Planning Group will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.

4.8 Other Reports: Mayor Young said the City has earned its tenth Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association. She thanked Leahnette for her efforts in preparing the City's budget document.

Mayor Young said several City representatives attending Chief Painter's memorial services last Friday, including herself, Councilor Fitzgibbons, Leahnette Rivers, Chief McGlothlin and his wife, Jessica, and all of the Police Officers and Reserves.

Chief McGlothlin said tomorrow he plans to attend the memorial services for Joshua Comfort, the young man that died in the automobile accident in Scappoose last Friday morning.

AGENDA ITEM 5

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 5.1 Appointment of Lisa Bush to the Audit Committee.**
- 5.2 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of December 2, 2010.**
- 5.3 Liquor License Renewal for Columbia City Mini Mart as applied for by Khan & Associates, Inc.**
- 5.4 Written report from the Chief of Police.**
- 5.5 Written report from the City Administrator/Recorder.**
- 5.6 Appointment of Barbara Gordon to the Audit Committee and the Budget Committee.**

It was the consensus of the Council that Item 5.6 be added to the Consent Agenda.
MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FROMM) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL
CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED.

AGENDA ITEM 6 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7 **NEW BUSINESS:**

7.1 2011 Special City Allotment (SCA) Agreement for "I" Street: SCA Agreement for "I" Street from Second Street to The Strand between the State of Oregon, Department of Transportation, and the City of Columbia City.

Councilor Marson asked if any engineering has been completed for this project.

Leahnette said we might decide not to perform any engineering on this project - the Street Committee will discuss it during their next meeting. She said it is a simple overlay project, with a section of street reconstruction.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (WHEELER) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO
AUTHORIZE SIGNATURE TO THE AGREEMENT.

AGENDA ITEM 8 **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Community Hall rental request: The Council reviewed a letter dated January 12, 2011 from Linda Cervone requesting an exception to the Community Hall cancellation policy. In the letter, Linda explained that she suddenly became very ill on Saturday, January 8, 2011, which was the same day she had reserved the Community Hall for her birthday party. She said she cancelled the party due to her illness, and asked if she could use the rent towards another rental date, rather than lose it for failing to cancel within 24 hours as required.

MOVED (MARSON), SECONDED (FROMM) AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO
APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR ANOTHER RENTAL DATE IN LIEU OF FOREFEITING
THE RENT.

Police update: Chief McGlothlin said he will attend senior chief level training on January 31 through February 3, 2011 hosted by the Oregon Chief's Association and the Oregon Executive Development Institute in Seaside.

Chief McGlothlin expressed his thanks to the Mayor, Council, staff and members of the community for their personal and professional support during the last few weeks.

Leahnette thanked Chief McGlothlin for his efforts during the last few weeks in assisting the community of Rainier and other the Police agencies in the coordination of the recent events.

Chief McGlothlin said officers from all over the area - Portland, Multnomah County, Clackamas County, and even Kalama, Washington, came in to provide coverage to Columbia County communities so every officer within Columbia County was free to attend Chief Painter's memorial services.

AGENDA ITEM 9 **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned to a Workshop at 6:32 p.m.

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APPROVED:

Cheryl A. Young
Mayor

ATTEST:

Leahnette Rivers
City Administrator/Recorder