

**City of Condon
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2013
7 p.m.**

Present:	Staff Present:
Mayor N. Dale Thompson Councilor Donald Jamieson Councilor Boyd Harris Councilor Jan Stinchfield Councilor Terri Carnine-arrived at 7:05	Kathryn Greiner, City Administrator Larry Durfey, PW Superintendent

Absent:
Councilor Thomas Fatland Councilor Dallas Harsin

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor N. Dale Thompson called the council meeting to order at 7 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was requested by Mayor Thompson.

ROLL CALL

City Administrator Kathryn Greiner took roll call and noted a quorum.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The councilors reviewed the June 5, 2013 Supplemental Budget Hearing Minutes, June 5, 2013 Budget Hearing/Regular meeting Minutes, June 22, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes and the June 2013 financial information. **A motion was made by councilor Donald Jamieson to approve the June 5, 2013 Supplemental Budget Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by**

Councilor Jan Stinchfield and approved unanimously. A motion was made by Councilor Boyd Harris to approve the June 5, 2013 Budget Hearing/Regular meeting Minutes and the

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June 22, 2013 Special Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilor Stinchfield and approved unanimously. Councilor Terri Carnine arrived at this point to vote on motions. Councilor Jamieson inquired about the check to Genesis Pools with CA Greiner stating that it was the final payment to resurface the swimming pool. **After a review of the consent agenda Councilor Jamieson made a motion to accept the consent agenda, and financial report subject to audit and verification. The motion was seconded by Councilor Harris and approved unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS

CA Greiner reported that they served approximately 440 people at the July 4 breakfast; Councilor Jamieson said that the fireworks were successful; and Mayor Thompson stated that he received many compliments on the painting of the city's building on lower Main Street.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Councilor Jamieson to approve Resolution 2014-01 – A Resolution Extending City of Condon's Workers' Compensation Coverage to Volunteers of City of Condon for Policy Year 2013-13. The motion was seconded by Councilor Carnine and approved unanimously.

Jim Winterbottom of Waste Connections was present to request a 1.9% increase on garbage disposal service to Condon residents beginning July 1, 2013. He stated that the annual CPI is 2.2% and Waste Connects asks for 85% of the CPI for their increase. Winterbottom stated that the largest increase in their cost of doing business is tires. Councilor Harris asked if there were any measures being taken to decrease costs within Waste Connections, with Winterbottom replying that they use larger containers for less transportation costs. Mayor Thompson asked if the customers have remained steady with Winterbottom replying they were constant. **A motion was made by Councilor Harris to approve the rate request of Waste Connections. The motion was seconded by Councilor Stinchfield and approved unanimously.**

The Round-Up Grill has asked the city for an extension on their Main Street Project contract to complete the installation of the awnings. CA Greiner stated that she has received copies of invoice and payment of half the awnings from owner Mason Eubanks and believes they are to be completed in the next couple of weeks. **A motion was made by Councilor Harris to approve the MSP contract extension to November 1, 2013. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jamieson and approved unanimously.**

The Council discussed a resolution that would adopt policies regarding placement of donated items on city property. Councilor Jamieson stated that he was opposed to any donations being accepted in the park, but would allow tree donations to the golf course. CA Greiner stated that this resolution stated no plaques, signs or markers would be allowed with donations and all donations must be approved by the council. Councilor Harris and Mayor Thompson also noted concern regarding accepting donations at the park, and Councilor Carnine stated that the resolution was clear that no memorials would be erected for the donations. **A motion was made by Councilor Carnine to approved Resolution 2014-02 – A Resolution Setting Policy of Memorials and Acceptance and Placement of Donated Items on City Property. The motion was seconded by Councilor Stinchfield and approved unanimously.**

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The Community Development Committee met earlier to discuss the animal ordinance, specifically allowing chickens in town. The draft of the notes from their meeting and a sample ordinance was presented to the council. Councilor Stinchfield asked for a clarification on the notes and the draft ordinance that the chicken coops must be 10 feet from property line, and that side yards are allowable with other conditions met. Councilor Jamieson asked if there would be changes to the ordinance regarding dogs, and Mayor Thompson stated that the committee recommends to leave that portion of the ordinance as-is. Councilor Jamieson also asked if the fairgrounds would be exempt and CA Greiner will work on the wording to allow animals at that location. The ordinance was tabled until August.

CA Greiner presented a Main Street Project contract between Francis and Elizabeth Stohosky for engineering on their building on North Main Street. **A motion was made by Councilor Jamieson to approve the Main Street Project contract for engineering for the Stohoskys. The motion was seconded by Councilor Stinchfield and approved unanimously.**

STAFF REPORTS

PW Superintendent Durfey reported that his crew is working on the water and sewer system at Oregon and Spring streets. They have completed three of six sewer re-routes and hooked up 3 water services with 9 left to complete. PW Durfey said that the re-routing of the service lines are going on the same tax lot of the business or house as many of them previously crossed other tax lots. He also reported that the Variable Drive Frequency pump at City Farm recently went out and was replaced with another pump costing approximately \$12,000. Mayor Thompson thanked the Public Works crew for all their work on the City Park renovation.

Officer Gubser provided a written report in his absence.

CA Greiner reported that she will wrap up the park grant in July, and have the final park renovation costs available at the August council meeting. She updated the council on Main Street Projects - deferred contracts with John Burns, Two Boys Meat & Grocery and Bart Danielson; new contracts for Country Flowers, M&A/Flatt and Stohosky; and finishing contracts for Fatland's Tire Factory and The Round-Up Grill LLC. She also reported that July will be a time to wrap up the 2012-13 fiscal year and prepare for the audit. She is expecting the contract for the environmental clean-up project on the city's property on lower Main Street. The timeline for this \$80,000 grant is to complete contracts by September, hire a project engineer by November 2013 and complete the project in mid-2014.

Gilliam County Judge Steve Shaffer asked to address a several items with the council. Shaffer stated that the swimming pool contract will expire in September and a brief discussion was held regarding discussion further operations. It was consensus of the council to reconvene the community swimming pool committee to discuss the operations and future expenses, then gather the entities involved to work on a contract. Shaffer said that he would have his assistant Leanne Durfey contact the pool committee to begin the process. Shaffer also stated that the city has paid for the electricity in the library and asked that it remain on in the old library for a few more months. He then requested the council to consider paying for the electricity in the new library building. Mayor Thompson stated that the electricity at the library would be put on the August council agenda. Shaffer also stated that the Barbara Hawk house was going to be sold the next day.

COUNCILOR INFORMATION

E-cycle material was included in the council packet from URT Recycling.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regularly scheduled city council meeting set for Wednesday, August 7, 2013, 7 p.m.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

_____ Date _____
N. Dale Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____ Date _____
Kathryn Greiner, City Administrator