

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
February 02, 2016**

- 1. CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Trott called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- 2. COUNCIL POSITION #4 INTERVIEW AND SELECTION.**

Mayor Trott asked the five individuals to sit in the front of the council chambers. The individuals sat from left to right, Graig Simson, Kristle Wyant, Lyle Smith, Mark Ribich, and Craig Gunsolley. Mayor Trott asked each individual five questions in a round table format. After each individual answered the questions, the council was asked to cast their votes and turn them into Mayor Trott for a final count. Councilors Dedrick, Farnsworth, and Lougee voted for Mr. Mark Ribich. Councilor Ray voted for Mr. Craig Simson, and Council TenEyck voted for Mr. Lyle Smith. The majority of the vote was earned by Mr. Ribich, and Mayor Trott announced Mr. Ribich as the new councilor for position #4.
- 3. OATH OF OFFICE**

Recorder Sandoval administered the Oath of Office for Mr. Mark Ribich in Council Position #4. Afterward, he took his seat.
- 4. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Councilors Dedrick, Farnsworth, Ray, Ribich, Lougee, and TenEyck.
STAFF PRESENT: Recorder Sandoval, Manager Ward, Finance Director Ince, Planner Searles, Public Works Director Pelleberg, and Chief Huxel.
- 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Recited at 7:27pm.
- 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Councilor Lougee moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. PRESENTATION:** None.
- 8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** It was moved by Councilor Farnsworth to approve minutes for January 05, 2016, after fixing the typo of “time” to “item” on page 6 of the packet. It was seconded by Councilor Ribich. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously
- 9. PUBLIC COMMENT:**
 - 9.1 Judy Simmons – She feels like she needs to stir the pot, again. She asked the Council several years ago the same questions. She believes there needs to be another reader board in McNary and possibly at South Hill, too. Just one is not enough.
 - 9.2 Boyd Sharp – Just wanted to point out that there were two 7s and 8s on the agenda.
- 10. CONSENT AGENDA:** Councilor Dedrick moved to approve CRIS, Inc. as a paid invoice Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion. Voted: 5-1-0. Councilor Ray abstained. Motion carried.

Councilor TenEyck moved to approve All Remaining Invoices and Court Report. The motion was seconded by Councilor Ray. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

It was moved by Councilor Ray to approve items 9.1 through 9.4(a) and appoint Leticia Toche to the Tree Board, Shelly Parmelee to the Parks & Recreation Committee, Christine Harding to the Transient Room Tax Committee, and Cheryl Vermillion to the Code Enforcement Board. Councilor Dedrick seconded the motion. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

12.1 Manager's Transition – It was moved by Councilor TenEyck to approve Public Works Director Pelleberg's and City Manager Ward's new contracts. The motion was seconded by Councilor Ray. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

13. NEW BUSINESS:

13.1 Resolution No. 14-2016 - It was moved by Councilor Ribich to approve Resolution No. 14-2016 - A Resolution Adopting a Compensation Plan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and Repealing Pay Plan and Position Levels of Resolution No. 06-2014. It was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

13.2 Resolution No. 15-2016 – Councilor Ray wanted to know when this new resolution would take effect. Manager Ward stated that if approved, it would take effect in 30 days. It was moved by Councilor TenEyck to approve Resolution No. 15-2016 – A Resolution Amending Section 5 to Reflect a Rate Adjustment for Copies of Public Records and Section 7 to Reflect a Rate Adjustment for Dog Impound Fees; and Amend the Title of Resolution No. 05-2013. The motion was seconded by Councilor Farnsworth. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

13.3 Resolution No. 16-2016 – Planner Searles explained that this was a one-time deal with Amazon, the County, and the City to ensure we could provide efficient services for annexation to Amazon. It was moved by Councilor Farnsworth to approve Resolution No. 16-2016 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with Umatilla County to Provide an Efficient Process that Respects the Land Use Regulations of Each Jurisdiction to Achieve a Replat of Land for VADATA, Inc. and the Port of Umatilla. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lougee. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

13.4 Resolution No. 17-2016 - It was moved by Councilor TenEyck to approve Resolution No. 17-2016 – Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement for Engineering Services between the City of Umatilla and JUB Engineers, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

13.5 Slam Dunk the Junk Discussion – The Code Enforcement Board has been the lead planning agency for Slam Dunk the Junk. It always in conjunction with Sanitary Disposal's dump week. That week is always the first seven days of April. The community wide cleanup will happen on April 2nd. The dumpsters will be out in McNary and Downtown Friday morning the 1st and will be picked up on Monday afternoon the 4th. The city is hoping to have more active supervision on the dumpsters this year to avoid issues from previous years. They will also be trying to have a special area set aside for bicycles. The prison has a new program called Cycles for Hope in which they use parts from old bicycles and make them into newer bicycles. The City will be seeking sponsorship this year and is currently soliciting for that. DEQ will be offering a hazard waste collection in Pendleton. Ace Hardware does a paint recycling program. Manager Ward will be working with them to see if they can coordinate an event with them. They are hoping to get more volunteers to sign up earlier. There will also be the BBQ this year.

14. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

15.1 Boyd Sharp – Wanted to thank Manager Ward for his service to our community. He thinks that under Manager Ward’s leadership the area has grown, it is a much better community than when he first came. He just appreciates everything he has done. His leadership, his energy, and his commitment to this community has been outstanding.

The budget committee since Manager Ward and Finance Director Ince have started has been open, has invited and encouraged questions. You can go to her office and ask questions or go to the meeting and ask questions. Before Manager Ward’s arrival, you could go to City Hall to ask a question, and you might get an answer or a very grumpy answer and be cut short. Manager Ward has an open office and has hired people who have open doors for the public. He has never felt any hesitation, or fear of being ridiculed or rushed off when he comes into City Hall to ask a question or see someone to get guidance.

Prior to Manager Ward’s coming the Planning Commission was an afterthought from the City Manager. If they thought about coming to us, it was to tell them that they were going to do this, and put a rubber stamp on it. Since Manager Ward and Planner Searles have come on board, the Planning Commission has been able to function as it ought to, it has not been ignored, and it has been consulted. Several things that serve to emphasize that is the Point of Entry, Powerline Road, and Main Street Project. It has been refreshing to be able to ask questions, and challenge Manager Ward if the Planning Commission does not agree with him. The Planning Commission has been able to make its’ own decision and everything has been brought to them that should have been brought to them. Their opinion has been valued.

He just wants to say that he has seen these amazing changes, and this community has only benefited from it. He wishes Manager Ward the very best. Mr. Sharp will be sorry to see Manager Ward go.

16. MAYOR’S MESSAGE: He would like to thank everyone who applied for the council position. He hopes everyone who applied will be involved in future endeavors. The volunteerism within the community is vital.

17. STAFF REPORT: Manager Ward explained Councilmember Fenton has been unable to make it to the meetings due to previous commitments. There is a resolution for him and he will be recognized for his contributions at the March 1st meeting.

The trip to John Day for the joint ACT meeting was productive. There were 14 projects presented and about 3 million dollars available for funding. Manager Ward does not believe that the City will receive everything it is asking for, but construction on the first phase will start this spring. There have been some issues with theft in the public bathrooms. Consequently, Public Works Director Pelleberg will be working on getting security cameras installed in the foyer and the library.

This is Manager Ward’s last meeting as City Manager. He has few regrets, and substantial pride for what his administration has been able to accomplish. He thanks the Council for giving him the opportunity to serve.

18. COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:

18.1 Councilor TenEyck – wanted to welcome new Councilmember Ribich, and echo what the Mayor had said in regards to volunteerism. He encourages all to stay involved and continue to serve. He will be sponsoring a dumpster for Slam Dunk the Junk.

He also wanted to thank Manager Ward for his compassion and integrity. He was always able to go into his office and come out better after meeting with him.

18.2 Councilor Lougee – Ditto to what the Mayor said and what Councilor TenEyck said. He would also like to welcome Councilor Ribich and second Planning Commissioner Chair Sharp’s comments about Manager Ward and his service to this community. He feels like we are becoming a real City. We are seeing hope and change and that is good. There are a lot of positive things that are happening.

18.3 Councilor Ribich – Wanted to thank the Council for their vote of confidence. He also thanks everyone who wanted to be involved.

18.4 Councilor Ray – He doesn’t know what else to say. He agrees with what everything has been said and is looking forward to working with Councilor Ribich. He then addressed Manager Ward by stating that he and Manager Ward were not always on the same page of things, but they have always been able to talk and he has very much appreciate that too.

18.5 Councilor Farnsworth – Wanted to welcome Councilor Ribich and thanked everyone who wanted to serve.

18.6 Councilor Dedrick – She wanted to thank Manager Ward for everything he has done for this community. There have bene ups and downs, but definitely more ups than downs. Now there was a new opening for the Code Enforcement Board and she hopes that position is filled quickly. There will be a documentary about the Robotics Team and she was interviewed for this documentary. She was asked what she liked about Umatilla. She feels like our community is there when help is needed. She was able to tell them about when one of the teachers passed in a car accident and how people all came together, she was able to tell them about the cleanup that happens every year and how the whole community gets involved. She told them about how we are able to get along with the Tribe of Umatilla and our relationship has been the best it has been in years.

19. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: ORS 192.660 (2)(g)

20. RECONVENE:

21. ADJOURN: The next meeting will be held on March 1, 2016. It was moved by Councilor Ray to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Ribich. Voted: 6-0. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

David P. Trott – Mayor

ATTEST:

Nanci Sandoval – City Recorder