

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 4, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Trott called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Trott, Councilors Meade, Fenton, Dufloth and Johnson
Student Representative Jacob Vandever

ABSENT: Councilors Roxbury and Stokoe

STAFF PRESENT: Manager Cook, Recorder Gettmann, Finance Director Glover
Public Works Superintendent Frances, Police Chief Huxel

MINUTES: Councilor Fenton moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2010 regular Council meeting as presented and was seconded by Councilor Dufloth. Roll Call: Meade – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Karen Hutchinson-Talaski of the Chamber of Commerce announced the Distinguished Citizen award banquet on June 11, a Landing Days committee meeting on May 6 and a Lions Club free health clinic on May 8.

Cathy Putnam, representing the Lions Club, announced the Lions Club was sponsoring a mobile health screening unit on June 12 and asked the City's permission to park the unit at City Village Square. Consensus was to grant permission.

Gail Wickers complained that her neighbors were hanging their laundry over their adjoining fence. She was asked to discuss the matter with the offending neighbor.

CONSENT AGENDA: Discussion items included floor mats through Aramark, cleaning services, building department sur charges to the state, planning department staff report, TRCI wastewater lab tests, police department supplies and herbicide chemicals. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the consent agenda which included the paid invoices. Motion was seconded by Councilor Meade and unanimously approved. Roll Call: Meade – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Parks & Recreation Committee – Manager Cook reported that the committee discussed an athletic complex, the Umatilla River water front, a summer recreation program and linking juvenile crime prevention with parks & recreation planning.

Library Board – The minutes of the Library Board meeting were submitted for the Council's review.

OLD BUSINESS: Ordinance #755 – Code Enforcement and Nuisance Amendments. Manager Cook explained that this was to update the nuisance code and to establish a Code Enforcement Board. The updates were to streamline the process, shorten the compliance timeline and clarify the code. The document was not in final format and should be tabled until a finalized document could be presented. Councilor Fenton moved to table Ordinance #755 and was seconded by Councilor Dufloth. Roll Call: Meade – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business for discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE: Reader Board Request – Manager Cook suggested that requests could be handled administratively. Council requested a resolution to regulate use of the reader board.

4-H Animal Request – Joann Carr asked the Council to consider amending the City Code to allow small animals inside the city limits for 4-H projects. She described the benefits of allowing small farm animals inside the city so that the 4-H participants could raise their animals as projects. Limitations could be placed on types of animals, number of animals, etc. in a controlled environment.

Becky Carr, Courtney Dohman, Ruth Andrews, Jacob Adams and Karen Adams listed the benefits of being able to raise their 4-H animals at home.

Staff suggested a test program for show animals by permit only. Staff could develop a list of requirements for permits and a list of acceptable animals that would be allowed.

Mayor Trott read a thank you note from the Chamber of Commerce for the City's Landing Days donation and he also read a proclamation to proclaim the week of May 10-16, 2010 as Police Week and May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Karen Hutchinson-Talaski reported that the Chamber of Commerce general membership meeting was on May 13.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE: Mayor Trott announced TRCI Employee Recognition Week, encouraged people to volunteer on various projects and discussed the ballot measures up for election.

STAFF REPORT: Manager Cook announced the Kiwanis car wash on May 15, discussed designing the town square park and reported that Canda Rattray and Doris Buie had submitted their retirement plans. He then opened discussion and stated his interpretation of the code that mobile food vendors would not be allowed to operate in the City.

Jacob Vandever presented a report on the high school activities and the Parks & Recreation program.

COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION: Discussion items included the 4-H program and the Department of Energy Hanford waste project.

ADJOURN: There being no further business discussion, the regular Council meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

DAVID P. TROTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Linda Gettmann, City Recorder