

**CITY OF UMATILLA  
PUBLIC HEARING AND COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 5, 2012  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING:** Mayor Lafferty opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to hear public testimony regarding the state revenue sharing.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:** There being no public testimony, the public hearing was closed and the regular Council meeting was called to order immediately thereafter.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Lafferty, Councilors Dedrick, Stokoe, Fenton, Smith and Johnson  
**ABSENT:** Councilor Meade  
**STAFF:** Manager Ward, Recorder Gettmann, Police Chief Huxel, Finance Officer Anderson, former Finance Director Florence Glover and Planner Searles

**MINUTES:** Councilor Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2012 regular Council meeting as presented and was seconded by Councilor Fenton. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Karen Hutchinson-Talaski listed the events planned for the Landing Days celebration on June 22 and listed various community events planned for the month of June.

John Nichols commented on the motivation for businesses to clean up downtown and repair street lighting. He also expressed his opinion of the Eastern Oregon Telecom service and hoped there would be an avenue for complaints to be addressed and resolved.

Larry Nelson reported that he had obtained a special events permit from Corps of Engineers for tours of the Old Town site during Landing Days and expressed his appreciation for all the help.

Cathy Putnam thanked the City for refurbishing the planters in the downtown area.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Discussion items included the McNary Reservoir overflow repair, accounting software, targets for firearm training, backflow devices for the irrigation system, tire purchases for the Police Department and a web subscription with Umatilla County for property owner information. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the paid invoices and the court report. Motion was seconded by Councilor Smith and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

**Liquor License Application** Navedades Cruz submitted a liquor license application for on premise sales. It was reported that there was a small restaurant within the store and the application was to serve beer in the restaurant. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the on premise liquor license application submitted by Navedades Cruz and was seconded by Councilor Stokoe. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** The minutes of the April 9, 2012 Parks & Recreation meeting were provided for the Council's information.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Resolution #10-2012 – Transfer Funds & Appropriations within the Street Fund for FY 2011-2012.

Resolution #11-2012 – Adopt Supplemental Budget for FY 2011-2012.

Resolution #12-2012 – Appropriations for FY 2011-2012 Supplemental Budget.

Councilor Johnson moved to adopt Resolutions #10-2012, 11-2012 and 12-2012. Motion was seconded by Councilor Dedrick and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

Resolution #13-2012 – Adopt FY 2012-2013 Budget.

Resolution #14-2012 – Appropriations for FY 2012-2013 Budget.

Resolution #15-2012 – Levy Ad Valorem Taxes for FY 2012-2013.

Resolution #16-2012 - Declare City's Election to Receive State Revenues for FY 2012-2013.

Councilor Smith moved to adopt Resolutions #13-2012, 14-2012, 15-2012 and 16-2012. Motion was seconded by Councilor Stokoe and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

Resolution #17-2012 – Communications Site Lease Agreement with Eastern Oregon Telecom, LLC. Councilor Johnson moved to adopt Resolution #17-2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smith. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution #18-2012 – Transfer Telecommunications Assets to Eastern Oregon Telecom, LLC. Manager Ward reported that City Attorney David Blanc revised Section 13 of the transfer agreement to read as follows: “Attorney Fees. In the event of litigation to enforce this Agreement or any provision thereof, the prevailing party, in addition to other relief awarded, shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys’ fees, including fees on appeal, if any.” In response to the Council’s question, Joseph Franell of Eastern Oregon Telecom reported that no drawings were provided to date. Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution #18-2012 and was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #19-2012 – Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to Use Flexible Funding for Downtown Revitalization. Manager Ward reported Karla Nelson had secured the Safe Routes to Schools grant and Zach Lunden had secured this grant funding of the downtown revitalization project. The estimated cost of the engineering was \$446,000 and the flexible funding limit was \$400,000, leaving \$46,000 for the City’s portion. Councilor Johnson moved to adopt Resolution #19-2012 and was seconded by Councilor Smith. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Bargaining Agreement with Umatilla Public Safety Association. Manager Ward reported that the agreement was a continuation of the previous agreement with no changes and to include a 3% pay increase for each year of the contract. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the bargaining agreement with the Umatilla Public Safety Association for the contract period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015. Motion was seconded by Councilor Stokoe and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

Downtown Revitalization Small Grant Application – Don Toning submitted a grant application for landscaping on his used vehicle lot at 1251 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The estimated cost of the project was \$1,850.00, making the grant amount to be 50% of the cost which would be \$925.00. The Small Grant Committee addressed the application and recommended approval of \$925.00 in grant funds. Councilor Smith moved to award \$925.00 in grant funds to Don Toning for landscaping at 1251 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion was seconded by Councilor Dedrick and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

Ordinance #775 – Franchise Agreement with CenturyLink for Telecommunications Services. It was reported that this franchise ordinance conforms with Ordinance #772 and state law. Councilor Fenton called for the first reading of Ordinance #775 to be by title only and was seconded by Councilor Johnson. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously. After the first reading, Councilor Fenton moved for second reading of Ordinance #775 by title only and was seconded by Councilor Smith. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously. After the second reading, Councilor Fenton moved to adopt Ordinance #775. Motion was seconded by Councilor Stokoe and unanimously approved. Roll call: Dedrick – aye; Stokoe – aye; Fenton – aye; Smith – aye; Johnson – aye.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Lafferty announced and read the City of Umatilla, Florida’s proclamation to honor Umatilla, Oregon’s 150 year anniversary celebration.

**MAYOR'S MESSAGE:** Mayor Lafferty announced and read the National Garden Week Proclamation. He expressed his appreciation to everyone who had helped with the museum improvements then read his proclamation in honor of the museum.

**STAFF REPORT:** Manager Ward reported that he will be on vacation for 2 weeks beginning July 9 and introduced Melissa Anderson as the new Finance Officer.

**COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:** Discussion items included compliments to the Museum, closure of the military ID card office on June 7 and welcome to new Finance Officer Melissa Anderson.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** At this time a group of women staged a mock takeover of the Council to commemorate Operation Clean Sweep which took place on December 5, 1916, when a group of women actually took over the Council.

Jack McWhinnie expressed his appreciation to Marge and Larry Nelson for their work and dedication to the museum and flowers planted to improve the City.

Larry Nelson expressed his thanks to everyone and their recognition of his efforts.

Hasu Mistry expressed compliments to Larry and Marge Nelson and extended an invitation to join in the 150 year celebration and Landing Days.

**ADJOURN:** With no further business discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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PAT LAFFERTY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Linda Gettmann, City Recorder