

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**

- 1. CALLED TO ORDER:** Council Vice President Smith called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:**
 - PRESENT:** Council Vice President Smith, Councilors Dedrick, Farnsworth, Ray, Fenton, and TenEyck.
 - STAFF PRESENT:** Recorder Sandoval, City Manager Ward, Finance Director Ince, Planner Searles, Public Works Director Pelleberg, and Chief Huxel.
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Recited at 7:00pm.
- 4. PRESENTATION:**
 - 4.1 Fire District Capital Improvement Local Option Levy
 - a. Fred Sheely: 151 El Monte Street - Chairman of Board. Presented about the 10 year levy the Fire Protection District wants to pass during upcoming elections for Ballot # 30-99. Encouraging people to support capital improvement levy.
 - b. Mike Roxbury: 274 Madison Street – Fire Chief. On call response time has been cut down about 50%. Spoke about replacing a water tender, a heavy rescue unit, brush truck, and a ladder truck, plus self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBAs), and additional upgrades to the station
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilor Ray requested that item 15 be corrected. Police Committee needed to meet with Chief Huxel and City Manager, Ward. Minutes have since been amended. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the minutes from September 2, 2014, with suggested corrections. Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion.

Voted: 6-0. Motion carried.
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Council Vice President Smith opened public comment.

 - 6.1 Karen Hutchinson-Talaski: Umatilla Chamber of Commerce – reminding everyone that the Columbia River Marathon was occurring the weekend of 20th.
 - 6.2 Gayle Wickers: 2439 Bluebird Drive – Was unable to make it to the meeting last week, but wanted to ensure that she spoke in favor of Moratorium Ordinance 792.
- 7. CONSENT AGENDA:** None.
- 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.
- 9. OLD BUSINESS:** None.
- 10. NEW BUSINESS:**

10.1 Adult Business Moratorium Ordinance 792: Called for 1st reading by Councilor Fenton by Title Only. Seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion Carried. Moved by Councilor Fenton to approve Ordinance 792. Seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion Carried.

a. Received letter from American Civil Liberties Union was also brought to attention.

10.2 Transient Room Tax Grant: Both have been approved by committee, and forwarded to council for approval.

a. Chamber of Commerce

b. Museum

Councilor Ray inquired if there were paperwork available to track what they have done with previous grants. Finance Director Ince affirmed. Motion to approve 10.2a, Chamber of Commerce's grant in the amount of \$1900.00 and 10.2b, Museum's grant in the amount of \$4500.00 by Councilor TenEyck. Seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Voted: 6-0. Motion Carried.

11. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT:

12.1 Karen Hutchinson-Talaski: Umatilla Chamber of Commerce. Thanked Council for approving grant. Also, announced that the City of Umatilla was selected 6th Most Safest City in State of Oregon by Safe Choice Security.

12.2 Larry Nelson: 2883 South Shore Drive – Thanks to City and City Council for extending life of Museum.

12.3 John Nichols: 2591 Blue Jay – Thanks for positive steps taken by the City Council

12.4 Gayle Wickers: 2439 Bluebird Drive – Asked if council members were aware of what was done with downtown La Grande and how we can change the face of the downtown to look nice? Suggested City of Umatilla look for grants.

12.5 William Shailer: 28867 HWY0730 – Applauds Council for passing Moratorium Ordinance 792. Requested Council Members speak up.

12.5 Larry Nelson 2883 South Shore Drive – Outlined that numbers were listed for Museum.

13. MAYOR'S MESSAGE: None.

14. STAFF REPORT:

14.1 Manager's Report: Impromptu meetings with Tribe and Department of Corrections have been conducted for development of current road to prison along north edge of the property. Spent time working on Quarterly Newsletter options. It will be brought back in a more formal matter for next Council Meeting. Also received a request for funding from Amanda's Grill, which will be presented at next Council Meeting.

15. COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:

15.1 Councilor Dedrick, Councilor Smith, and Chief Huxel met to discuss the hiring of Spanish-speaking Officers. They looked at neighboring police departments and decided that they do not wish to have it as an exception rule because they do not want to exclude a potential candidates. Councilor Dedrick added that it still comes back to the fact they any applicant has to be a qualified candidate and feel comfortable doing it.

16. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:51pm.

George Fenton – Council President

ATTEST:

Nanci Sandoval – City Recorder