

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
ONCTOBER 6, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Trott called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Trott, Councilors Meade, Dufloth and Johnson
ABSENT: Councilors Roxbury, Stokoe and Fenton
STAFF PRESENT: Manager Cook, Recorder Gettmann, Finance Director Glover and Police Chief Huxel

At this time Mayor Trott declared himself a voting member in order to constitute a quorum.

MINUTES: Councilor Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 1, 2009 regular Council meeting and was seconded by Councilor Dufloth. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Libby Bovent announced up coming events such as the Umatilla Chamber of Commerce meeting, a book club meeting, a booster club meeting and the Columbia River Power Marathon.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Council discussed a payment made to Michael Becker Construction for construction of the library/city hall facility. Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the paid invoices and the court report. Motion was seconded by Councilor Meade and unanimously approved. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Applications were submitted by Dani Forshee for appointment to the Planning Commission and by Sherrie Fry for appointment to the Library Board. Councilor Meade made a motion to confirm the appointments and was seconded by Councilor Johnson. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: Collective Bargaining Unit Contract Agreement – Police Chief Huxel reported that the unit had new representation who have reviewed the contract. Two items in the contract need to be updated: 1) Calculation for pay out of sick leave upon termination would be at employee's current rate of pay rather than the average of starting pay/ending pay. This would in fact increase employees' benefits. 2) Dues would be calculated as a single amount for each member rather than a percentage of base wages. Councilor Dufloth moved to accept the Collective Bargaining Unit Contract Agreement with the recommended changes. Motion was seconded by Councilor Meade and unanimously accepted. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

NEW BUSINESS: Proclamations - Oregon Day of Culture to proclaim Thursday, October 8, 2009 as Oregon Day of Culture. Friends of the Umatilla Public Library Week to proclaim the week of October 18, 2009 through October 24, 2009 as Friends of the Umatilla Public Library Week. Councilor Meade made a motion to support the proclamations and was seconded by Councilor Dufloth. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Library/City Hall Grand Opening Committee Appointment - Manager Cook explained that he had heard a lot of comments regarding the grand opening for the new library/city hall facility. He proposed appointing a committee comprising of a member of the Library Board, a member of the Friends of the Umatilla Public Library and a Council member, to develop a plan for the grand opening. Mayor Trott as well as Councilors Meade and Dufloth volunteered to serve on the committee. After some discussion, Councilor Johnson moved to appoint Mayor Trott, Councilor Dufloth, Myrna Forton and Cathy Putnam to the committee. Motion was seconded by Councilor Meade and unanimously approved. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Umatilla Chamber of Commerce submitted a request for waiver of water services. Manager Cook expressed concern regarding the request and proposed to charge the Chamber \$300.00 (\$25.00

monthly) for the first year of water usage with the request to be reviewed annually. Mayor Trott made a motion to confirm the proposal and was seconded by Councilor Dufloth. Roll call: Meade – aye; Trott – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote. It was also noted that the facility (State Welcome Center) was outside of the city limits and was not on the City’s sewer service.

MAYOR’S MESSAGE: Mayor Trott announced up coming meetings included the Transient Tax Room Committee and a Budget Committee meeting. He also noted that the City received a CIS award at the League of Oregon Cities conference for participation in the healthy benefits program. Mayor Trott discussed at length the City of Tualatin’s Youth Development program and franchise fees.

STAFF REPORT: Manager Cook reported on the DLCD Technical Assistance grant for planning, monthly Planning Commission meetings, quarterly Council/Planning visioning sessions, encumbrances on the water system and the fee charged by the Oregon Ethics Commission.

Finance Director Glover reported that she will be attending a Northwest Government Finance Institute conference. The reserves had been used on the new library/city hall facility construction project and will begin to draw on the loan funding the project.

Police Chief Huxel reported that the school had received a grant and the Police Department would be working with the school in developing a curriculum for community awareness programs with the focus being on gangs, violence, drugs and alcohol. She also reported on the emergency planning committee, a grant from Wal-Mart, the “shop with a cop”, Red Ribbon week, “Tip a Cop” programs, the reserve academy and the Big Sky Volleyball tournament.

COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION: Discussion items included fire hydrant painting and graffiti.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:24 p.m. the regular Council meeting was adjourned to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(a).

RECONVENE & ADJOURN: At 8:34 p.m. the regular Council meeting was reconvened and adjourned.

DAVID P. TROTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Linda Gettmann, City Recorder