



CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 6, 2024

Those Present:

Council: Mayor: Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Marty Rugo, Mari Jo Olsen, Eric Hulse, and Jim Burnside

Employees: Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte, Building Inspector Todd Cole & Sheriff Ray Maycumber

Meeting Called to Order:

Mayor Gabe Becklin called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: All Present

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Liz moved to approve the agenda after the removal of Kimberly Tanner from the agenda at her request. Mari Jo seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for April 15, 2024
- Review Special Meeting Minutes for April 23, 2024
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT amount – 4336 -4339 - \$30,093.38
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount – 65140-65168 - \$354,705.07
- Review State Transmittal - \$33,448.55

Motion: Mari Jo moved to approve the consent agenda. Liz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

Emily Burt- Emily updated Council on the submitted grants for the library. Emily invited council to the Friends of Library meeting that is being held this Friday. Emily presented the Republic Brewery Community Concert dates of July 13, 2024 and August 17, 2024.

Motion: Jim moved to approve Community Concerts July 13th and August 17th on Clark Ave; Eric seconded; motion passed unanimously

Jas Templet- Jas gave an update regarding WI-FI at Library. NCW Library states it is not common to shut off the WIFI. They are looking into more lights and possibly cameras to help with surveillance on the premises as there have been issues with people using the back stairwell to defecate.

Phillip Starr - A discussion on the Deed of trust that is needed for the EMS Building Grant was held. Phillip gave an update on the progress of the EMS Building construction. All inspections are going well and it's moving right along. The Oil/Water separator needs a new location. Public Works and Hammer Mnt. Construction are working together to relocate it.

Motion: Jim moved to approve the Deed of Trust with the City Attorney's approval of language; Liz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

2nd Harvest – Discussion was held on the location of the food trucks new location this year. 2nd Harvest gave a detailed map of the location at Chevron with traffic flow.

WA DOT- 2024 Transportation Supplement Budget gave the city \$260,000 to complete the Golden Tiger Trail Sidewalk/pathway project. The City hopes to have this out to bid soon.

Old Business:

Western Victorian Ordinance is being sent to the City Attorney for review.

New Business:

Water Leak Forgiveness- Nick presented two leak forgiveness applications to the Council. Council approved the forgiveness for both with the dollar amounts listed on the forms. (\$226.05 & \$516.65)

Ordinances / Resolutions: No Ordinances/Resolutions

Department Head Reports:

RJ Plaster- PW Director- RJ submitted a written report to Council.

Ray Maycumber- Sheriff - Ray spoke of the Eastside Trailer Court Letter that was sent and that it has been stalled momentarily. The ordinance is not clear on who is to get bids for the cleanup. Ray is working on the dog issues in town still. The Deputies have been doing more traffic control in city limits. Deputy

Milburn is out of the academy and in FTO training. Ray spoke on the Grants Pass Supreme Court Case and that it could potentially affect the Cities in how to handle the homeless population and the anti-camping ordinances that cities may have in place.

Nick Olsen- Clerk-Treasurer- Nick reported on the following:

- He was able to get a \$1,000 scholarship through the City insurance for the IIMC professional development level 2 class that Council approved at the last meeting.
- Tuesday June 18th at 10:00 am is the skatepark grand opening.
- Nick will have the public defecating/public urination and alley parking Ordinance for Council at the next meeting.
- Nick presented a quote from Bolder operations which would resupply the City's dwindling light street light supply.

Motion: Jim moved to approve the purchase of street lights in the amount of \$2,727.43; Eric seconded; motion passed unanimously.

- Nick presented a quote from MBH that would allow them to fix some plumbing issues and install a water solenoid at Slagle park to prepare for the RV Kiosk install that will be happening this month.

Motion: Liz moved to approve \$1,350.00 to MBH for the installation of a water solenoid and to fix other plumbing issues at Slagle Park; Mari Jo seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mayor/ Council Reports:

Gabe Becklin- Gabe reported that the Otta Seal Project bids will be opened on Wednesday, May 8th at 1:30 pm. The Housing Authority held discussions with the Department of Health on bids for replacing the roof at the Pine Bluff apartment building. The local Pastor Committee in Republic wants to do something for the City. Gabe reported that the Fair Grounds may possibly be tapping into our water line for potable water at the fairgrounds, they are having issues with sources not contaminates. There will be a meeting next week with the Department of Health at the County Commissioners Office.

Liz Stinson- Liz reported the senior banners were put up by Jeremy Stinson and look great and new hanging baskets were put out in front of city hall.

Marty Rugo- Marty reported he missed the TEDD meeting and that RYAC is looking for donations and grants to help replace the floor in the red barn at the fairgrounds where they hold roller skating events and to purchase more

roller stakes. It would be great if law enforcement and EMS volunteers got involved with the children. Marty asked about the signage in the parking lot behind the Miner and Knotty Pine and that people may not know that it is public parking.

Mari Jo Olsen-Mari Jo reported Republic School 1st graders will be planting flowers in the flower boxes on Clark Ave next week.

Jim Burnside- Jim reported that he is working on phase 1 of the Patterson Park Retaining wall this summer which creates space for the playground equipment.

Motion: Liz moved to adjourn the meeting, Marty seconded, motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned: 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



GABE BECKLIN, MAYOR



ROBYN TURCOTTE, DEPUTY CLERK

