



CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, September 16, 2024

Those Present:

Council: 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, Public Works Director RJ Plaster & Sheriff Ray Maycumber

Meeting Called to Order:

Mayor Pro Temp Marty Rugo called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mayor Gabe Becklin was absent

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Jim, seconded by Eric to excuse Gabe Becklin.

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Jim, seconded by Liz.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for September 3, 2024
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT amount -4363-4364- \$2,216.40
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 65316-65329-\$88,150.80
- Review County Transmittal- \$5,137.31

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Mari Jo, seconded by Liz.

Public Hearing- Alley Vacation

Clerk Treasurer Nick Olsen began audio recording at 5:02 pm.

Nick spoke about the alley vacation on Michael Jager's property that is a partial lot in the Elgin Addition, the City alley runs through the middle of the parcel.

Mayor Pro Temp Marty Rugo ended the public hearing at 5:04 at which time Nick Olsen ended the audio recording.

Public Comment:

Emily Burt- Emily provided an update to the Council on the Owner Representative position and mentioned the letter that was received from the Washington State Improvement Grant denying their request. She also informed the Council about an upcoming meeting related to the Library Project.

Correspondence: No Correspondence

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No New Business

Ordinances / Resolutions:

Ordinance 2024-05 Elgin Alley Vacation

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

Department Head Reports

RJ Plaster- RJ announced his resignation effective September 24. He also provided an update on the salt orders as well as the sand discussion with Stotts Construction.

Ray Maycumber- Ray reported on the approval of 2 deputy positions back into his budget and that the union negotiations have started. He also mentioned slight improvement has been seen at the Eastside Trailer Court.

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

- New Draft Personnel Policy- would like to schedule 30 minutes at the beginning of the upcoming budget meeting to go through the personnel policy updates. Both special meetings will happen on October 8 starting at 2:00.
- City Hall roof repair- the ridge cap on the Chamber building is sun-damaged and missing shingles.

Motion: Approved unanimously to accept the bid of \$355.00, not including tax, to repair the City Hall Chamber Building Roof, after a motion by Jim, seconded by Eric.

- 24-7 Property Maintenance bid to pave city hall's back parking lot and fix the curb on the north entrance of city hall. Nick explained that because they are in town doing other work there will be no mobilization fee and now might be the time to get this work done for the cheapest amount.

Motion: Approved unanimously to pay the \$20,233.02 to 24-7 Property Maintenance to pave City Hall Parking Lot after a motion by Marty, seconded by Liz.

- Interstate Otta Seal is complete. Interstate still has to grade, water and compact some of the dirt roads that didn't qualify for the Otta Seal Project, this will begin later in the week. Some discussion was had about starting a road maintenance program next year.
- The Historical Society was requesting 2 letters of support for 2 different grants they were applying for.

Motion: Approved unanimously to give a letter of support to the Historical Society made by Jim, seconded by Eric.

- Adams Street wash out, Ecology blocks and larger material is needed to fix the damage on Adams Street.

Motion: Approve unanimously \$2,500.00 for 10 ecology blocks and materials made by Mari Jo seconded by Eric.

- Salt Order- GMCO quote

Motion: Approved unanimously \$8,600.00 for salt purchase from GMCO made by Mari Jo, seconded by Marty.

Robyn Turcotte- Robyn reported positive feedback on the new Xpress Bill pay System.

Mayor/ Council Reports:

Liz Stinson- Liz Asked about the Public Works Director position and school water line project status. Noted the recreational group's adjustment of Hwy 21 South to Pendry Road as UTV accessible.

Mari Jo Olsen – Mari Jo reported the success of the 2nd Harvest food bank and plans to move it to the Fair Grounds next year.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM following a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

ATTEST:



MARTY RUGO, MAYOR PRO TEMP



ROBYN TURCOTTE- DEPUTY CLERK

