

**ONTARIO CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Ontario City Council was called to order by Mayor Ronald Verini at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council members present were Ronald Verini, Norm Crume, Tess Winebarger, Betty Carter, Marty Justus, Larry Tuttle, and Charlotte Fugate.

Members of staff present were Tori Barnett, Kari Ott, Corinna Hysell, Dan Cummings, Cliff Leeper, and Steve Mallea.

The meeting was recorded and copies are available at City Hall.

Betty Carter led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

The Mayor made a change to the agenda, changing the post date for the agenda. Should have been May 2nd; was originally stated as April 13th.

Charlotte Fugate moved, seconded by Betty Carter, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Winebarger-yes; Carter-yes; Justus-yes; Tuttle-yes; Fugate-yes; Verini-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Regarding the bills, Councilor Fugate asked what the \$21,099 Cascade Pipeline 2015 Wastewater Collection was.

Cliff Leeper, Public Works Director, stated it was the negotiated price of just over \$30K.

Councilor Fugate asked what the fiscal service state surcharge of \$1,033 was.

Kari Ott, Finance, stated it was the surcharge fees due to the State of Oregon for building permits.

Councilor Fugate asked about \$5,099 for new hard drives.

Ms. Ott stated that was due to the replacement program running under the Technology Department.

Councilor Fugate asked about Newman's Muffler Shop bill for \$105 dollars

Al Higinbotham, Fire Chief, stated it was for a replacement muffler on Rescue 1.

Councilor Fugate asked about the Ontario Floor Covering invoice of \$177.

Chief Higinbotham stated that was the last bill associated with the dayroom makeover.

Charlotte Fugate moved, seconded by Norm Crume, to adopt Consent Agenda items A) Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 18, 2016; and B) Approval of the Bills. Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Winebarger-yes; Carter-yes; Justus-yes; Tuttle-yes; Fugate-yes; Verini-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

Councilor Justus asked if the new Ordinance Department software had been ordered and installed.

Steve Mallea, Acting Police Chief, replied no; it would take a resolution to expend funds from the Public Safety fund.

The Mayor asked for a consensus to have a telephonic meeting to get it resolved.

Tori Barnett, Interim City Manager stated that she needed 24 hour notice but it could be done Thursday prior to the Budget Meeting.

Council consensus to hold it prior to the Budget Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Eastside Tank Update/Request for Council Consensus

Cliff Leeper, PW Director/CH2M Hill, presented.

When the blaster's finished blasting, the tank was in a little worse shape than they had anticipated. Therefore, it would take a heavier liner. That would see a \$27K cost increase. Even still, it needed to be done.

Councilor Tuttle asked how they attached the liner.

Mr. Leeper stated it was sprayed on.

Councilor Justus asked if there was any BPA.

Mr. Leeper replied no.

Council consensus to move forward with the increase in cost to have a heavier liner sprayed on the tank.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS AND EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- Dan Cummings gave an update on the ODOT meeting regarding the weeds in the swales and along the cloverleaf entrances and exits to the city. Largest point being that they were not weeds, but a deliberate planting by ODOT of indigenous grasses. They planned to let that grass go to seed, and anticipated mowing in the next week or so.

Cliff Leeper said that the weeds and grass were bio swales, according to ODOT. Also, Governor Brown had mandated that irrigation will not be used to water due to the drought.

Councilor Justus asked about the ground cover and the trees. Were the trees going to stay?

Mr. Leeper said the trees should stay.

Councilor Justus said he would like to see a schedule on how the space would be maintained.

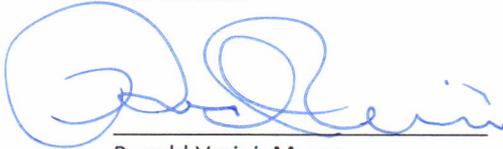
Ms. Barnett stated it would be good to place some information on various medias – newspaper, website, water bills, etc., - explaining ODOT's plans.

- Councilor Fugate said she was disappointed that she didn't receive the proposed budget until 6:00 p.m. last night. It should have been distributed well in advance.

ADJOURN

Norm Crume moved, seconded by Tessa Winebarger, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Winebarger-yes; Carter-yes; Justus-Yes; Tuttle-yes; Fugate-yes; Verini-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

APPROVED:



Ronald Verini, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tori Barnett, MMC, City Recorder