

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 17, 2014**

CALLED TO ORDER: Council Vice President Smith called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Council President Fenton, Councilors Dedrick, Farnsworth, Ray, Smith and TenEyck.

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder Hughes, Manager Ward, Planner Searles, Public Works Director Pelleberg and Chief Huxel.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Vice President noted that there was not to be any comment on the old business as the record is closed at this time.

There was no public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilor Fenton moved to appoint Michele Massaria-Cox to the Code Improvement Board. Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Ray – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye and Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: Councilor Smith stated that the council had three options; they can re-open the record to allow for new evidence, continue the meeting to another night or make a decision tonight. Mrs. Richter the Cities attorney asked the council if there had been any ex parte contact since the last meeting on May 29th. Mrs. Richter asked if the new member Councilor Fenton had listened to the recording from the previous meeting and felt like he was informed enough to participate this evening. Councilor Fenton stated that he did feel he was informed enough to help make a decision. Councilor Dedrick stated that she had read one of the articles in the local newspaper however this article did not influence her in her decision making. Councilor Smith stated he had spoke with Mr. Puzey during a break at the last meeting and there was a comment made about other IGA's, however he doesn't feel that will influence his decision either way.

The Council is not aware of, nor are they familiar with any of the articles that were published prior to the May 29th public hearing.

Councilor Dedrick moved to uphold the Umatilla Planning Commission's decision and come back on June 26th to review the findings. Councilor TenEyck seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Nay, Councilor Smith – Nay. Motion passed 3-2.

CORRESPONDENCE: Manager Ward had sent some communication to the Port Commissioners offering to help expedite the plan amendment process to fix the situation and the Port had rejected the offer from the City of Umatilla.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none

STAFF REPORT: Manager Ward noted that the Safe Routes to School project has broken ground and is in full swing. EOT is going to start offering television via cable to customers and will require a small adjustment to the current franchise agreement and that will come before the council on July 1. Manager Ward also reminded everyone about Umatilla Landing Days on June 28th and stated they are short on volunteers.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION: Councilor Ray would like to discuss ways to increase the number of Spanish speaking officers on the police force. Councilor Dedrick stated that would be a good project for the police committee.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Councilor Smith adjourned to executive session at 7:24 pm.

Reconvene to regular session at 7:45 pm

Commissioner TenEyck moved to take action consistent with the Cities attorney Mrs. Richter's recommendation. Councilor Fenton seconded the motion. Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Ray – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNED: The regular council meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

George Fenton – Council President

ATTEST:

Angela Hughes – City Recorder