CITY OF UMATILLA COUNCIL MEETING JULY 1, 2014

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

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilor Dedrick, Farnsworth, Fenton, TenEyck and Smith. **ABSENT:** Councilor Ray **STAFF PRESENT:** Recorder Hughes, City Manager Ward, Finance Director Ince, Planner Searles, Public Works Director Pelleberg and Chief Huxel.

MINUTES: Councilor Dedrick moved to approve the June 3rd and June 17th Minutes as written. Councilor TenEyck seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Karen Hutcheinson-Talaski thanked everyone for their support and attendance at the Landing Days Celebration as it was a huge success.

John Nichols gave his resignation from the Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Larry Nelson thanked the council for the funds to replace the air conditioning unit and noted that the museum had a good turn out during Landing Days.

Hasmukh Mistry stated that he appreciated those who work so hard for the Landing Days celebration and encouraged everyone to get involved in the coming years to make it an even bigger success.

Betty Nobles spoke about the old post office building and how there is a new business called All West Testing that just moved in.

Clyde Nobles stated that he believe the Comp plan and ordinances discourage new growth within the City of Umatilla. He also stated that the city can't pick and choose when to enforce the rules it needs to be enforced for everyone not just new businesses.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilor Fenton moved to approve the paid invoices and court report as presented. Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion. . Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: <u>Ordinance #790 – Eastern Oregon Telecom Franchise Agreement:</u> – Councilor TenEyck moved for the first reading of Ordinance #790 to be by title only and

was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. After the first reading for Ordinance #790, Councilor TenEyck moved to adopt Ordinance #790. Councilor Dedrick seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance #791 – Municipal Code update to the transient room tax code to provide for a tourism promotion assessment charge. Councilor Fenton moved for the first reading of Ordinance #791 to be by title only and was seconded by Councilor Farnsworth. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. After the first reading for Ordinance #791, Councilor Fenton moved to adopty Ordinance #791. Councilor TenEyck seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye, Councilor TenEyck seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Land swap for county roads- The County Commissioners are requesting that the city assume ownership of the roads within the Port of Umatilla in exchange for property north of City Hall on 5th Street. This property would become part of a large plan for future park development and access to the Umatilla Village/Old Town Site as envisioned in the 2001 Downtown Revitalization Study and current discussions. Councilor TenEyck moved to authorize Manager Ward to send the letter of interest to the Umatilla County Commissioners. Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Purchase Agreement for 711 6th Street</u> – City Staff has met with the owners of 711 6th Street since they closed their gas station and are looking to sell the property. The city has expressed interest in purchasing the property as part of the Old Town Site vision. The current owners said they understand that it will take some time for the city to secure some funding and asked that the city maintain the grounds and pay the taxes in the meantime. Councilor Dedrick moved to accept the offer from the owners of 711 6th Street. Councilor TenEyck seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CRIS Inc. Contract Extension</u> – The contract with CRIS Inc, who manages the marina, exprires in Ocotber. The staff would like to know the councils preference as to wether or not the contract should be continued with CRIS Inc or put up for bid. Councilor Dedrick moved to extend the contract with CRIS Inc for another year. Councilor Farnsworth seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Liquor License Application</u> – Donitas Tacos at 900 6th Street has applied for a liquor license. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the liquor license and was seconded by Councilor Dedrick. Roll Call: Councilor Dedrick – Aye, Councilor Farnsworth – Aye, Councilor Fenton – Aye, Councilor TenEyck – Aye, Councilor Smith – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Judy Simmons said that Donitas tacos is a really good place to eat.

Clyde Nobles is concerned that the City is buying to much property off of the tax roll to create parks.

STAFF REPORT: Manager Ward updated the council on the Safe Routes to School project, and noted they plan to be finished with the project prior to school starting.

ADJOURNED: The regular council meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

George Fenton – Council President

ATTEST:

Angela Hughes – City Recorder