

**CITY OF UMATILLA
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 7, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Meade called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilors Roxbury, Meade, Fenton and Dufloth. Councilor Johnson Arrived at 7:02 p.m.

ABSENT: Councilor Stokoe

STAFF: J.R. Cook, City Recorder Gettmann, Finance Director Glover, Public Works Director Frances and Police Sgt. Wright.

At this time Council President Meade declared himself a voting member to constitute a quorum.

MINUTES: Councilor Roxbury made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 17, 2010 public hearing and special Council meeting and also the September 24, 2010 special Council meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Fenton and unanimously approved. Roll call: Roxbury – aye; Meade – aye, Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye.

(Councilor Johnson arrived at this time, Council President Meade was no longer a voting member.)

PUBLIC COMMENT: Karen Hutchinson-Talaski announced the Chamber of Commerce meeting at noon on September 9, library activities, Chamber of Commerce board meeting on September 25 and the “Tip a Cop” event on October 1 and 2 at Desert River Inn to benefit the Special Olympics. Also the Chamber of Commerce submitted a request for funds for a “Welcome to Oregon” sign by the Welcome Center in the amount of \$400.00.

Jack McWhinnie expressed his opinion that Dave Trott would make a fine City Manager.

CONSENT AGENDA: Discussion items included legal services, cleaning empty lots, police car purchases, computer services, radio repair, over payment refund, power costs and Ethics Commission costs. Also, discussed was the bill from United Pipe & Supply Co. for cell back haul for Flexnet which was the automatic meter reading system. Council requested a better clarification and justification for the charge. Councilor Fenton moved to approve the consent agenda which included the paid invoices and court reports. Motion was seconded by Councilor Dufloth and unanimously approved. Roll call: Roxbury – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye.

NEW BUSINESS: Parks & Recreation Committee Appointment. John Nichols submitted an application requesting appointment to the Parks & Recreation Committee. Councilor Johnson moved to confirm the appointment and was seconded by Councilor Roxbury. Roll call: Roxbury – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Myrna Forton submitted a letter of resignation from the Library Board because she had moved from Umatilla. Councilor Fenton moved to accept the resignation and was seconded by Councilor Roxbury. Roll call: Roxbury – aye; Fenton – aye; Dufloth – aye; Johnson – aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE: Council President Meade made the announcement that applications for the Code Enforcement Board were being accepted.

STAFF REPORT: Finance Director Glover reported that the annual audit was completed and the Port of Entry would be closed for about 6 weeks for resurfacing of the lot.

Police Sgt. Wright reported that Officer Tovey and Code Enforcement Officer Coffey would be doing gang presentations at the middle school and elementary school, the "Tip a Cop" fund raiser at Desert River Inn on October 1 & 2, and Officer Matt Larsen would be graduating from the Police Academy On September 17, 2010.

J.R. Cook introduced Karla Nelson as the R.A.R.E. participant who would be working with the City on some planning projects.

COUNCIL INFORMATION & DISCUSSION: Discussion items included keeping an open mind and doing what is best for the community.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:38 p.m. the regular Council meeting was adjourned to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2) to conduct interviews for the City Manager position.

WM. M. MEADE, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

Linda Gettmann, City Recorder