

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was held at the City Hall Council Chambers and on Zoom.

Present: Mayor Ken Williams  
Commissioner Tim Krug  
Commissioner Kurt Wilson  
City Administrator Darin DeHaan  
City Attorney Paul Chadwick  
Lieutenant Randy Cropp  
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton

Also Present: Jessica Cash, Mike Knoup and members of the Oregon Fire Protection District, George Howe, Jeff Pennington, Rich Rhoads, and Mike Ring.

Absent: Commissioner Melanie Cozzi and Chief Shawn Melville.

Present via Zoom: Commissioner Terry Schuster, Corey Buck, James Morris, Terry Plemmons, and Alexa Zoellner.

Commissioner Tim Krug started the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment: Mike Ring thanked the City Council for providing funds for the Emerging Leaders Bootcamp. He also stated he likes the legislation for the off-highway vehicles. He would like to see the orange flag requirement removed from the ordinance since the vehicles would already be required to have a slow-moving vehicle sign. City Administrator Darin DeHaan received favorable feedback from a few residents and a request from an AOP vendor asking if a temporary license to use off-highway vehicles during Autumn on Parade weekend could be issued.

Mayor Ken Williams presented the Oregon Fire Department with a check for \$17,282.22 to purchase a Stryker Lucas Chest Compression unit. The funds presented to the Oregon Fire Department were ARPA funds that were received by the city from the federal government.

Mayor Ken Williams proclaimed the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. Jessica Cash, an advocate for Shining Star, thanked the city for bringing awareness to the community.

Commissioner Tim Krug moved to approve the March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Kurt Wilson.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Commissioner Terry Schuster moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$54,590.53 and the current warrants as listed:

Aegis Construction, Inc	\$9,039.00
AEP Energy	\$29,299.73
Axon Enterprise, Inc	\$831.28
Black Hawk College	\$570.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$17,311.12
Butitta Bros. Automotive – Oregon	\$46.67
Byron Bank	\$935.63

Comcast	\$155.00
Comcast	\$311.80
Constellation NewEnergy, Inc	\$3,328.30
Dixon Chamber of Commerce	\$500.00
Pines Meadow	\$179.00
Quill	\$57.96
Ray O'Herron Co., Inc	\$38.23
Scott Wallace	\$600.00
State of Illinois Treasurer	\$10.00
Stillman BancCorp	\$1,593.29
The Flag Lady Corporation	\$1,907.42
Village of Progress	\$934.60
Wes Hughes	\$2,400.00
Willett Hofmann & Associates, Inc	\$31,478.90
	<b>\$132,774.93</b>

Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to approve a Raffle License for CASA, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

**Discussion:** Everything was in order and on time.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Commissioner Terry Schuster moved to approve a Marketing Agreement with Liz Vos, Seconded by Commissioner Kurt Wilson.

**Discussion:** The agreement with Liz Vos is an extension of the previous agreement with the addition of tasks such as an online newsletter and maintaining the economic development website.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to approve Ordinance 2022-106 Non-Highway Vehicles, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the requirement of orange flags and a slow-moving vehicle sign. They also discussed the helmet requirement for passengers under the age of eighteen. There are communities that do not require helmets and they helmets are not required for motorcycles.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to approve Ordinance 2022-106 Non-Highway Vehicles with amendments to strike item C under 24.26.020 helmet requirements and item G under 24.26.030 orange flag requirements, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

**Discussion:** Commissioner Terry Schuster expressed his concern of striking safety features could increase the chances of someone being injured.

Roll Call: Krug, Nay. Schuster, Nay. Wilson, Yea. Williams, Yea. Absent: Cozzi.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson move to approve Ordinance 2022-106 Non-Highway Vehicles as originally presented without any amendments, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Lieutenant Randy Cropp said the police department has been busy and they responded to a burglary at the street garage.

Solar on Earth have approached City Administrator Darin DeHaan. They would like to do a presentation for the City Council to provide information and answer any questions. There have been requests from residents for ground mounted solar panels. The city currently has no regulations regarding this. Ogle County Solid Waste department has oak saplings available.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson is working with Casper Manheim and the Police department on cleaning up ordinance violations. He also said the Community Clean-up Day this year is being held April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Terry Schuster said the general fund has seen an increase of about \$150,000.00 due to revenue sharing from the State of Illinois. Final transactions for the 2022 fiscal year will be finalized in 3 weeks.

Commissioner Tim Krug said work on the 1<sup>st</sup> Street parking project will be pinned this week.

Mayor Ken Williams has been working with Terry Schuster and Darin DeHaan on financial projections for next year.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Cozzi.

Adjourn: 6:02 P.M.

Attest:

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Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk

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Ken Williams, Mayor