

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday July 11th, 2023, 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers
115 N 3rd Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday July 11th, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.

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

Present: Mayor Ken Williams
Council Member Melanie Cozzi
Council Member Tim Krug
Council Member Terry Schuster
Council Member Kurt Wilson
Chief of Police Joe Brooks
City Attorney Paul Chadwick
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton

Also Present: Public Works Director Bill Covell, BreeAnn Covell, and George Howe.

Present via Zoom: City Manager Darin DeHaan & Corey Buck.

Mayor Ken Williams called the meeting to order.

Mayor Ken Williams started the pledge of allegiance.

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to approve the June 27th, 2023, minutes, Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

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

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$54,479.16 and the current warrants as listed:

Ace Hardware & Outdoor Center	\$1,146.49
AEP Energy	\$1,045.91
Alex Sitze	\$200.00
Always Mechanical LLC	\$11,397.06
Art Castings of Illinois	\$2,000.00
Axon Enterprise, Inc	\$1,518.68
Bill Covell	\$182.35
Biller Press	\$334.23
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$18,776.65
Braydon Schlaf	\$44.52
Byron Bank	\$483.35
Carreno Landscaping	\$500.00
City of Oregon	\$4.00
Comcast	\$603.65
Constellation	\$3,585.97
DeKalb Implement	\$487.92
Ehmen	\$205.00
Ehmen	\$907.50

Fehr Graham	\$3,528.75
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$380.94
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$1,126.75
Ferguson Waterworks #3325	\$3,493.70
Fidelity Security Life Insurance	\$185.40
Frontier	\$251.66
Hach Company	\$1,660.99
James Taylor	\$320.00
Jayce Gusloff	\$314.98
Jordan Plock	\$1,573.13
LAI, LLC	\$27,681.75
Liz Hiemstra	\$312.50
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Manheim Solutions	\$2,592.00
Mark Nehrkorn	\$900.00
Menards	\$253.13
Menards	\$1,212.70
Menards	\$505.65
Mike Bowers	\$34.29
Motorola-Starcom 21 Network	\$162.00
Nicholson 1 Communications	\$290.00
Nicor	\$254.21
P.F. Pettibone & Co	\$465.65
Peabody's, Inc	\$1,820.00
Philip Salstrom 111	\$200.00
Quill	\$160.24
Raynor Door Authority	\$250.00
Republic Services #721	\$68.00
Rush Power Systems	\$100,438.00
Shaw Media	\$671.75
Snyder's	\$1,224.07
Steve Benesh & Sons	\$1,052.49
Uline	\$1,500.00
Verdin Company	\$4,355.00
Wipfli	\$27,450.00
Zoro Tools, Inc.	\$1,173.86
	\$231,599.37

Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

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

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to approve a Raffle License for the Chamber of Commerce, Seconded by Council Member Kurt Wilson.

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

Council Member Melanie Cozzi moved to approve a Raffle License for the Oregon Lions Club, Seconded by Council Member Kurt Wilson.

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

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve the 2023 Mill/Overlay project be awarded to Martin and Company Inc. for the bid of \$144,431.29 with the authorization for the city manager to sign the documents, Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Discussion: Public Works Director Bill Covell said they were the only bidders for the project. They came in eighteen thousand under the engineers estimate. Council Member Terry Schuster asked which streets would be included in the project. Public Works Director Bill Covell stated this includes North 2nd Street, Franklin Street from North 2nd to North 3rd, Monroe from RT 64 to 7th Street, and a small section of Mix Street. Mayor Ken Williams asked for the residents to be notified of the dates of the construction. Public Works Director Bill Covell said door hangers would be put out and it would be on the website as well. Council Member Terry Schuster asked if the parking stalls on North 1st would be completed after the mill and overlay. Public Works Director Bill Covell said yes, after the pavement is done. A completion date is not yet set, the entire project would take a little over a week. Council Member Melanie Cozzi stated residents living above the businesses there would need to be notified. Council Member Tim Krug asked if these streets would be scraped down or would there be a fog coat applied. Public Works Director Bill Covell stated this would be different than the seal coat project. He said these two projects got combined on the agenda. He said there should be a motion to approve the seal coat project and a motion to approve the bid from Martin and Company. Council Member Tim Krug said the motion says seal coat repair. Council Member Terry Schuster said the document received in the packet was for the mill/overlay project. He said the agenda that went out to the public was for the seal coat project. City Attorney Paul Chadwick said they are two different projects. Only the agenda was published to the public. Mayor Ken Williams asked if there are separate documents for the seal coat bid. City Clerk Cheryl Hilton said no, there is no bid for the seal coat project. Public Works Director Bill Covell said there is no bid from Fehr Graham for the seal coat project, only for authorization to go out to bid for the project, there is no dollar amount for the project. City Manager Darin DeHaan said the motion the Mayor made was for the Monroe Street project that was bid on by Martin. Council Member Terry Schuster said his concern is how the agenda went out to the public and how it does not match the motion that was made. Mayor Ken Williams said the information that went out to the public was for the seal coat project, not the mill/overlay bid. We can vote on the seal coat project. City Attorney Paul Chadwick said the motion can be negated due to not having proper authority to act on the item. Mayor Ken Williams stated the motion made is moot and is therefore not a legal motion and will not be acted upon.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve the ability to go out for bid for seal coat 2023 General Maintenance Seal Coat Repair with authorization for the City Manager to sign the documents, Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Discussion: Council Member Terry Schuster added this project will not cost the city anything. Public Works Director Bill Covell said no, the city is covered by the performance bond. The only cost to the city will be for the additional fog coat.

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

Mayor Ken Williams said the Annual Appropriation Ordinance is in the packets for review. He said to keep in mind this is not the budget. The city is under the appropriations form of government. The line item for each appropriated fund always includes amounts greater than needed, each line item is the highest of any emergency thing that could be thought of. Council Member Terry Schuster stated he liked to think of it as a credit card limit. Mayor Ken Williams asked the City Council to review the information before the next meeting.

Reports:

Public Works Director Bill Covell said the public works department is trimming trees in preparation for AOP. He said the generators for the 10th Street lift station and City Hall are in, Helm should be starting the project next week. Roof repairs from the hailstorm are being started.

City Manager Darin DeHaan apologized for the agenda. He also received the first application for the mini tourist grant. He also pushed out the grant through the Chamber of Commerce office as well. He has also had conversations with individuals regarding the mural grants.

City Attorney Paul Chadwick said he has been in court a couple of times this week regarding ordinance violations. He has been in touch with the City Manager regarding these matters.

Mayor Ken Williams said the CMAAA museum is holding its grand opening on July 14th. The ribbon cutting is at 5:30 pm. Special events for the city and region will be able to take place here. He believes this will be a big attraction for the community.

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

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

Adjourn: 5:49 P.M.

Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk