

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

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

Present: Mayor Ken Williams  
Council Member Kurt Wilson  
Council Member Melanie Cozzi  
City Manager Darin DeHaan  
Chief of Police Matt Kalnins  
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton  
City Attorney Paul Chadwick  
Present via Zoom: Council Member Terry Schuster  
Also Present: Mike Ring and Luke Ziegler.  
Absent: Council Member Tim Krug.

Mayor Ken Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

City Manager Darin DeHaan started the pledge of allegiance.

Council Members Cozzi, Wilson and Mayor Williams answered roll call. A quorum was present. Council Member Schuster was present via Zoom. He was away on city business.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Presentation**

None.

**Approval of Minutes**

Council Member Melanie Cozzi moved to approve February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, minutes,  
Seconded by Council Member Kurt Wilson.

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

**Approval of Warrants & Payroll**

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$62,800.14 and the current warrants as listed:

Brooks Jewelers	\$225.00
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Bushman's Service	\$1,240.08
Caspers Home Inspection LLC	\$1,550.00
Cheryl Hilton	\$182.11
Cintas	\$147.18
City of Oregon	\$5,500.00

Comcast	\$999.38
Comcast	\$1,063.81
ComEd	\$400.37
ComEd	\$910.25
Critical Research	\$140.00
EM Benefits	\$1,937.07
Fehr Graham	\$458.50
Frontier	\$92.06
Grainger	\$6,434.40
Hawkins, Inc	\$386.70
Jen's Artisan Breads, Ltd	\$375.00
Physicians Immediate Care	\$256.00
Polo Cooperative Association	\$2,706.12
Postmaster	\$752.08
Rockford Tech-Systems, Inc	\$229.50
Sauk Valley Community College	\$7,688.14
Shawn Melville	\$250.00
Stillman BancCorp	\$2,036.03
Verizon	\$791.22
Village of Progress	\$1,080.00
Visa	\$1,551.65
Ward, Murray, Pace & Johnson, P.C.	\$211.50
Zoro Tools, Inc	\$451.31
	<b>\$40,875.46</b>

Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

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

#### **Ordinances**

None.

#### **Resolutions**

None.

#### **Motions**

None.

#### **Discussion Items**

None.

#### **Proclamations, Commendations, Etc.**

None.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Economic & Community Development:** Beam Beauty & Wellness submitted a Façade Grant application. The young adult focus group was also held. There were approximately twenty attendees with a diverse range of backgrounds. They discussed housing, jobs,

fresh food options, family friendly spaces, and other opportunities for the community. The participants also expressed interest in community groups where they could be more involved.

**Sustainability:** March 10<sup>th</sup> Lunch and Learn. Representatives from Nicor and ComEd will be there.

**Tree Board:** Upcoming meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Art Commission:** Will be updating the City welcome signs.

### **Department Reports**

**Public Works:** Luke Ziegler with Fehr Graham gave an update about the federal funding freezes.

**City Clerk:** Economic Interest Statements have been distributed.

**City Manager Darin DeHaan:** The purchase of the railroad property at the old Dayton Superior location has been finalized.

### **Council Reports**

**Mayor Ken Williams:** Thanked the young adult focus group.

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

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

Adjourn: 5:52 P.M.

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Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk