

Planning Commission Meeting

The Planning Commission of the City of Oregon met Tuesday May 21, 2013,
6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present: Amy Trimble Chairman
Mike Bowers
Joe Ebens
Mark Herman
Jerry Hinrichs
Tom Miller
Rich Rhoads
Absent: Rob Zimmerman

Chairman Amy Trimble called the meeting to order.

Tom Miller moved to approve the February 19, 2013 minutes, Seconded by Rich Rhoads.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Roger Watts, who resides at 204 S 6th Street, has applied for a variance to add an addition onto his existing garage. He has turned in the adjoining property owners certified mailing receipts and brought in a certified copy of the Public Notice that was published in the Oregon Republican Reporter. Amy felt the questions from the standard of review form for a variance could be waived for this variance. No one spoke against the variance. Rich Rhoads moved to recommend to the City Council the variance submitted by Roger Watts to add on to his existing garage at 204 S 6th Street, Seconded by Tom Miller.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Christy Sitze, who resides at 307 S 9th Street, would like the Plan Commission to consider vacating the alley adjoining her property. She has signatures from all but one neighbor in favor of having it vacated. The neighbor that has didn't sign is not in favor; however the neighbor across from them would like the full width of the vacated alley. This will be on the agenda for the June 18th meeting to discuss and a public notice will be in the newspaper.

She also would like the committee to consider having an Ordinance that would allow citizens to have chickens in the city limits. Currently Section 6-21 in the City Codebooks does not allow poultry. She currently has five chickens in a coop in her back yard. Amy would like feedback from citizens to see how people feel about allowing them in the city limits. It was suggested that the committee members names and contact information be published so citizens can call and voice their opinion. Amy would like any comments to go to the City Clerk's email address and then forwarded to the members of the committee.

Tom Miller moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Rich Rhoads.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Adjourned at 6:40 pm

Charlene Ruthe,
Secretary