

CITY OF PILOT ROCK
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2010

A. ROLL

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Virginia Carnes at 7:00 PM. Council members present were Nancy Lankford, Glen Snively, Michael Baleztena, and Shawna Kirk. Also present were City Recorder Jackie Carey, Public Works Supervisor Steve Draper, Chief Darren Richman, Jim Carey, Mary Lue Slabik, Mike Nelson, Tom Callahan, and John Taylor.

B. INVOCATION

Mike Nelson gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Mayor Carnes had Recorder Carey explain the parliamentary procedure she is going to implement, which is as follows: if the public wishes to address the Council regarding something that is not on the agenda they would do that under D. (appearance of interested citizens) of the agenda; and if they want to address the Council on something that is on the agenda they need to sign the visitor's list indicating which agenda item they want to speak on and there will be a 3 minute time limit.

John Taylor asked the Council if they had a final accounting of the water project. How much was paid to Anderson/Perry and how much was paid to the contractor. Mayor Carnes stated they did not have it here only the current material. It has been given to the Council. City Recorder Carey stated she would give it to Taylor if he would stop by City Hall.

E. PRESENTATIONS

None.

F-1 TOM CALLAHAN

Mayor Carnes limited Mr. Callahan to 10 minutes. The Council may extend the time if they wish.

Mr. Callahan stated there are a lot of weeds on City property on the hill by his house and in the industrial park making it a fire hazard. Callahan asked if the City has a written policy or plan on how to take care of this problem. Mayor Carnes asked Mr. Callahan to leave his questions and the city would get back with him regarding the answers to his questions.

Callahan stated he would leave his questions if anyone wants a copy of it. Callahan stated the City's property is a mess. There are some major liability issues for the City, with some of them life threatening. Callahan stated he could give the City three examples: high school steps in bad shape and a drop-off in this town that if the water is down they would get hurt and if the water is high they would die. He asked what the Council is going to do about the major life threatening items on public property.

Another statement from Mr. Callahan, "People living in glass houses shouldn't throw rocks". He thinks the City should set a good example by following their own ordinances. Callahan had the following questions:

3. How is the City going to take care of that problem?
4. He maintains the City's property adjacent to his property; his question is why do we pay city employees to maintain private and commercial property in those circumstances?
5. Do you have a written policy on how you file a complaint against a city employee?
6. Who are the city employees accountable to? Mayor Carnes stated we don't have commissioners and the city employees are accountable to the City Council.
7. How does the City handle complaints? Callahan is offended the City pays to handle people's complaints and these complainants hide behind the City's liability insurance to handle personal issues. When you allow groups to use our system for personal gain like that you put the city venue in selective enforcement.

Callahan's 10 minute time limit is up. Mayor Carnes asked the Council if they wanted to extend his time. On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Baleztena that each council member gets a copy of Callahan's concerns and they can call Tom if they have any questions. All members present voted yes.

Callahan wanted to read the page and half of his concerns into the record. Mayor Carnes stated the Council will get copies and it will be read into the meeting at a later date. Callahan's concern right now that he is being cut short from reading his statements that he should be able to read.

Mayor Carnes instructed Callahan to give his questions and statements to Jackie and the Council will address them at a later date, not tonight.

Callahan asked if he could read his statements and Mayor Carnes said no. Mayor Carnes said they would love to have his statements in writing.

F-2 EMERGENCY PLAN

Chief Richman recommends that the City's Emergency Operational Plan be approved by the Council as a guideline for the City, along with allowing the Chief to look at funding to re-establish the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Snively the Council approved the Emergency Operations Plan for use as a guideline for the City, along with allowing the Chief to look at funding the re-establish CERT. All members present voted yes.

G-1 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Public Works Supervisor advised the Council that he blew the head gaskets in the Ford pickup. The amount to fix the pickup is \$1600. Draper is asking the Council for permission to expend the money to fix the pickup. On a motion by Snively and seconded by Baleztena the Council approved spending \$1600 to fix the pickup. All members present voted yes.

H-1 CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Baleztena the Council approved the Consent Calendar. All members present voted yes.

I. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Snively would like the Council's blessing to have a get out to vote rally in front of City Hall on October 16th. The time has not been set yet. Snively would like to have someone take pictures from the top of City Hall. Draper stated that can be arranged. Mayor Carnes suggested the Veteran's Park. The Council had no problem with the rally.

Mayor Carnes asked about the notary issue with the cemetery district. Carey advised June Benthin contacted her and stated the Bank will do the notary at no cost to the district. The issue has been resolved.

Tom Callahan had a correction to the minutes of September 7, 2010. Mayor Carnes asked him to take it up with Jackie. It can be changed if it is a typo.

Mayor Carnes presented Chief Richman with a Chief Rooster Officer award. Chief Richman has been on chicken calls recently.

K. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Lankford the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM. All members present voted yes.

APPROVED _____

ATTEST _____