
CITY OF MILTON-FREEWATER GOVERNING BODY

Verl Pressnall At Large, Position 1
Steve Irving At Large, Position 2
Edwin E. Chesnut At Large, Position 3

Lewis S. Key Mayor
Orrin Lyon (CL President) Ward 1
Bradley J. Humbert Ward 2
Jeff Anliker Ward 3

**CITY OF MILTON-FREEWATER
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES****April 10, 2017**

The Council of the City of Milton-Freewater met Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Albee Room of the Library, 8 SW 8th Avenue, Milton-Freewater, Oregon.

The following City Council members were present: Mayor Lewis Key, Councilors Ed Chesnut, Orrin Lyon, Steve Irving, Jeff Anliker and Verl Pressnall.

Councilor Brad Humbert was absent.

Staff members present were: City Manager Linda Hall, City Recorder Leanne Steadman, Public Works Superintendent Dave Bradshaw, Public Works Technician Brian Steadman and Sanitation Truck Driver Tim Smock.

Citizens and Guests present were: Mike Anderson, Kandy Pressnall, Suni Danforth, Charles Danforth, Gordon Key and Donell Smock.

Representing the news media was Sherrie Widmer of the Valley Herald.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

The consent calendar items consisted of:

- Council Minutes from March 13, 2017
- Accounts payables from March 8, through March 21, 2017
- Accounts payables from March 22, 2017 through April 4, 2017

Councilor Pressnall motioned to adopt the consent calendar items. Councilor Anliker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION ITEMS:**RECOGNITION TO APRIL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – TIM SMOCK- SANITATION TRUCK DRIVER**

Mayor Key, on behalf of the City Council and staff, recognized Tim Smock as the employee of the month. He relayed the nomination. Tim joined our City team as a Parks Maintenance Worker in January of 2000 and later took to the neighborhoods of our City as a Sanitation Truck Driver. His home department is Public Works, and sometimes because of his valuable certifications, you will still see Tim spraying weeds on public property. This nomination comes from a local citizen that asked if there was a way Tim could be recognized and so a letter was written and submitted to the City. In the letter it was stated that Jackie Lazott, living at 418 Willow since 1994, thinks the City's "truck driver" as she calls him, is the best! She said he dumps the large garbage can, but if anything falls out, he gets out of his truck and picks it all up so nothing is left at the curb. Jackie said that she watches him from the window and he will look for her and when he sees her, he smiles. On many a day, this is the only interaction with another human she has. Jackie thinks very highly of Tim and is sure he performs at this level throughout the City. This winter was a little more than Jackie could handle on occasion, so she signed up for help to get her large garbage

can to the curb. Jackie let him know that if the driveway was clear, she was perfectly capable of getting this can to the curb herself, but Tim insisted that he just take care of it for her.

Mr. Smock said he wanted to nominate Ms. Lazott but she beat him to it. He stated that she brings joy to his day too. He said he was going to take the employee of the month award and send Ms. Lazott some flowers, cards for well wishes, since she has been feeling under the weather recently, and a gift card for her to eat at her favorite restaurant, Golden Village.

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 986, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10, ADDING CHAPTER 16, RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK STANDARDS (SECOND READING AND ADOPTION)

Councilor Chesnut motioned that the second reading of Ordinance No. 986 by introduced by title only and full reading waived. Councilor Pressnall seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The City Manager then read the ordinance by title, Ordinance No. 986, An Ordinance Amending City Code Title 10. Councilor Chesnut motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 986. Councilor Anliker seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken, Councilor Chesnut, yes, Councilor Lyon, yes, Councilor Irving, yes, Councilor Anliker, yes and Councilor Pressnall, yes. The motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

BID AWARD – CONTRACT 267 – LIQUID CHLORINE PROVIDER

Public Works Superintendent Dave Bradshaw reported staff advertised and accepted bids for Liquid Sodium Hypochlorite which is an essential operating supply for the aquatic center, water system and wastewater treatment. There were two bids received, one from Northstar Chemical and one from Univar USA, Inc. The bid was broken out into two different categories, bulk and fifteen gallon totes.

Councilor Chesnut motioned to award prices as bid on the tabulation for Contract 267, Bulk Liquid Chlorine Provider, Bulk Bid Option only to Northstar Chemical of Sherwood, Oregon as they were the apparent low bidder for bulk services. Councilor Pressnall seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Councilor Chesnut motioned to award prices as bid on the tabulation for Contract 267, Bulk Liquid Chlorine Provider, Tote Bid Option only to Univar USA of Kent, Washington, as they were the sole source bidder for this option. Councilor Anliker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

BID AWARD – CONTRACT 268 – BULK CARBON DIOXIDE PROVIDER

Mr. Bradshaw reported staff advertised and accepted bids for bulk Carbon Dioxide which is used along with other materials to maintain the pool water quality within required limits. There was one bid received from Oxarc.

Councilor Anliker motioned to award Contract 268, Bulk Carbon Dioxide provider to Oxarc of Walla Walla, Washington as they were the apparent low bidder. Councilor Irving seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO APPROACH THE COUNCIL WITH ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA

Gordon Key, 618 County Rd. – wanted to know why neighbors were not notified of the new house being built next to his family’s property, stated there were bins stacked up and that was a fire hazard, was told that there was only going to be a two inch water line that was going to serve one hundred forty (140) people and asked if there was going to be a fire hydrant installed.

Manager Hall stated there was a dormitory style house being built, which is an outright use in that zone. It is a federal program called H-2A for farm labor. She stated she was only aware of the one house being built currently.

Mr. Key stated he was told there was going to be six houses, housing one hundred forty (140) people. He said they were putting up a six (6) foot fence on their property with wire on the top because they were afraid of people coming onto their property and stealing things.

Mr. Bradshaw stated there will be a fire hydrant installed in that area.

Mr. Key asked if there was a shelter for the homeless people.

A discussion ensued regarding the city partnering with the Ministerial Association through the Methodist Church. Tillie Makepeace is the organizer and they offered a warming shelter last winter and there was an assumption that the association offered the same in the summer time once the temperature reached an extreme temperature.

Mr. Key said they have a lot of homeless people staying in his Recreational Vehicle (RV) park and they can’t seem to get rid of them. He asked if there were youth programs for the kids.

Councilor Anliker stated many local churches have youth programs and there were league sports for the kids.

Mr. Key alleged that there were crimes being committed and no one being charged for them. He stated people needed to serve time for their crimes. He said if it were up to him he would close the RV park down.

Manager Hall stated if city staff could help in any way with his desire to close the RV, to please let her know.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Manager Hall gave an update regarding the request from the state to supply water infrastructure to Locust Mobile Village. The state has assigned Melissa Drugge, who was the former Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation (GEODC) to head the project. She received a call from Ms. Drugge to get the city’s estimate for providing the infrastructure. At the last council meeting there was a consensus to consider engineering estimates and plans at a future council meeting.

There was discussion regarding the estimate and cost of the infrastructure with included going out to the Outwest Motel.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Irving referred to an article by Senator Jeff Kruse regarding the marijuana tax and funds being expended before the tax being collected. He also said he disagreed with Governor Kate Brown and he is opposed to sanctuary cities. He stated Kate’s Law should have been passed.

A discussion ensued regarding sanctuary cities.

Charlie Danforth, 225 Maple Avenue – stated he agreed with Councilor Irving.

Suni Danforth, 225 Maple Avenue – stated she supported Councilor Irving as well.

A discussion ensued regarding state law, federal law and immigration agencies.

Manager Hall stated she would check with the League of Oregon Cities to see if there were any other cities taking a formal action. She assured the council and audience members that if the Police Department was aware of any felony warrants, they would be acting on them.

Councilor Chesnut stated he may not be available to attend the Budget Committee meeting on April 27, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m. to an executive session pursuant to 192.660 (2) (d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. Pursuant to 192.660 (4) representatives of the news media shall not be allowed to attend.

The council returned to open session at 8:31 p.m.

Citizens Suni Danforth and Charlie Danforth and Valley Herald representative Sherrie Widmer returned to the open session.

Councilor Chesnut motioned to ratify the IBEW Clerical Bargaining Unit Agreement as presented. Councilor Anliker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Lewis S. Key, Mayor