

CITY OF JOSEPH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Community Center
102 East First Street
Joseph, OR 97846

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** at 7:00 by Mayor Teresa Sajonia. Tanya Collier, Councilors Lisa Collier, Patty Bufford, Pearl Sturm, Marty Hamilton, Mayor Teresa Sajonia, City Administrator Larry Braden, Public Works Supervisor Levi Tickner, City Attorney-Wyatt Baum, with City Recorder Belinda Buswell, (recording from audio only).
2. **REPORTS:**
 - A. **Police Report** – Sheriff Rogers: – With new paving project the speeders are out and the department will begin writing citations. (Appendix A)
 - B. **Library Report** – Eric Shoudel –Presented Library report (Appendix B)
 - C. **Fire Chief Report** – Chief Jeffrey Weeks – (Appendix C)
 - D. **Administrative Report** – Larry Braden – (Appendix D)
 - E. **Public Works Report** – Levi Tickner – Public works has been doing a lot of maintenance work and prepping for paving, flushing hydrants, checking manholes. Donna Bronson (200 S Lake) Why are the streets narrower than last year. City Administrator Larry Braden stated that the current project is set for 20’ wide. Mayor Sajonia said the decision was made with the money that was available.
 - E. **Committee Reports** –
 - **Community Center Committee** – Patty Bufford/Raider Heck – Patty Bufford- August was pretty slow. Raider- There were three of us (Russ Zavodsky, Scott Reinhardt, and myself) have been working on the roof. Jim Russell at 1917 Lumber has been working to obtain cement boarding at the best manufacturer and cost for the project. We’re still looking for volunteers to assist with the siding and painting.
 - **Zoning Ordinance Review Task Force Committee** – Raider Heck- We are set to resume next month.
 - **Main Street Committee** – Teresa Sajonia/Raider Heck/Becky Rushton – Judy will be working to October and as needed. Councilor Hamilton reported to Raider he would like to get together to complete a tree inventory. Raider-Judy has also provided us with an excel spreadsheet and it will make going forward.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
 - a) **Kathy Norman (810 N College)** – I wanted to follow up with the vandalism. We’ve gotten some additional information and I would like to share and I’d like to ask that no one ask me questions or who it is but Meg and I have been approached by a council member and they have told me that I was targeted and I do have a target on my back. I would like that city council member to speak to Megan or I or Steve Rogers and we don’t feel real safe right now and I’d like that on the record.
 - b) **Matt Soots (500 Mtn View)** – Something that has come up is a lot of trash around buildings and recently on the local valley and I noticed when I drove through there are a lot of businesses that have what looks like garbage stacked up in the back. What concerns me isn’t just the appearance

it is the fire hazard and rodent homes it presents. I was just wondering what was going on with that. Larry Braden- I'd be happy to go out and check out those areas.

- c) **Kathy Bingham (403 E 3rd)** Are we going to have any updates or a new website soon. Councilor Collier replied that there is training that needs to be done and she doesn't have the ability to login. Mayor Sajonia also mentioned she will call Jeff Baird tomorrow. Councilor Collier- We have increased our following has increased as well. We had over 600 before and now we have over 2000. The more people seeing our stuff the better. The biggest following is with the paving of the streets. I think as soon as next month we should be putting out the agenda and inviting people to the meeting.
- d) **Meg Bowen (810 N College)** I love the posts and the roads. I was wondering if we were able to tap into the ODOT funding. Larry Braden- Yes, we have.
- e) **Kathy Norman (810 N College)** – Can we get a dead-end street sign? Mayor Sajonia
- f) **Wayne Bronson (200 S Lake)** – There is a limited amount of parking so could we have something done about the parking in front of the post office.
- g) **Don Bronson (301 E Pine)** – I was at the post office today and came in the back way. There was a 4-wheeler and the wagon to keep from taking up parking spaces. They can park those somewhere else. Larry Braden-That is something I can handle. Dan DeBoie can you put the 15 min parking for two spaces out front.

1. NEW BUSINESS

- a) **CUP Schmidt/Dawson** – The application was read in quasi-judicial capacity by Mayor Sajonia. **Testimony in Favor**-Matt Soots (500 Mtn View) I am in support of his business. **Testimony in opposition**- James Monteith- Scott has had this business over the years and he has talked about something bigger to handle large pieces of wood operating. After reviewing a lot of CUP applications this doesn't seem to be a standard CUP. Scott and I have talked about this over the years. The use of bandsaws will not be quiet, dust, and vibration as a result of operating this business and this is like a small mill. He has been quite candid about the saws and exhaust fans and we feel the noise decibels are probably about twice the limit that Scott has proposed. Primarily noise and respiratory that may be produced. We are afraid if it is approved there will not be any way to measure it back once it has been approved. **Testimony written**- None. **Rebuttal**- Lisa-If we run through three cords of wood in a year there is a maximum amount of noise you can produce. We have made adjustments and there will be limited amount of chain saw noise. Scott-The amount of use a week is total work inside and outside of the house. I also have a dust collector that pulls the dust out and filters it and puts the air back into the building. The wood comes into my property in a van. The dust that will be outside the building will be from my chain saw an hour a week. Other than that, I am trying to make my building as sound proof as possible as to not disturb my neighbors, the closest being Mr. Monteith who is 50 some feet away. **Questions from the Councilors**-Councilor Collier- Why the need for the new place. Scott- I have a 14" bandsaw and I inherited a 17" bandsaw that will allow me to use these without having to go into the basement. Mayor Sajonia-In doing this you do know the noise hours associated with R1 and R2 zoning. Scott- Yes, I plan on working with Mr. Monteith about what hours he needs it to be quiet. Councilor Sturm- I've seen those dust collectors and talking about the building it will be all enclosed not three sides. Scott-It will be enclosed and storage for the house and storage and part garage. Councilor Hamilton- I went there today and it seemed like Scott has taken the building out of James' viewscape. **Discussion**- Councilor Collier-If this gets approved is there a way if they don't follow what they say that we can go back? **Wyatt**- The City has a right to stipulate hours of operation. Mayor Sajonia made a motion to approve the CUP with the condition of hours of operation from 8am -7pm, 2nd by Councilor Bufford, vote passed 6-0.

- b) **Subdivision- Mt. Meadow** – Proposal by Sandra and Wilfred Daggett Properties, LLC presented by Matt Brockcamp. **Anderson Perry Bill Searles presented the Staff Report** which states what is required for lots sizes, road widths, and proposed findings. There were a couple of items that concerned me with regards to the subdivision meeting the City code. The proposed Taylor Street shows a curve less than the required 100-foot radius. The code can modify this radius and I listed a couple of items that the council can consider the justification to the modification from 100-foot down to the 90-foot. This will need to be decided upon before approving the application. The next is dealing with street names. The tentative shows the extension of names on the application has Daggett street into Daggett lane. My recommendation is that the City require the street to maintain the current Daggett Lane name for approval. Cul-de-sacs on page 11 shows the requirements this application has two proposed. Simeon Street has one but it is reasonable to allow it there and future development will extend up to the Imnaha Highway. The Watson Court is less than the maximum allowed and it does allow for more efficient use of the land having the cul-de-sac. The last concern I had here is and maybe Matt can address this more, on page 13-14 the Land Division Ordinance restrict the length of clocks over 600 feet, there are two streets that exceed 600 feet. The one street is by the Big Bend ditch which makes sense. The block that runs on the East side of Simeon street and one of my recommendations is to put in an access way alongside lots 36 & 37 this accessway could be extended through the property to the next area outside this subdivision in the future. I think the issue I wanted Matt to address is the numbering of the lots. Typically, you have blocks that are numbered with blocks and lots within the block. The physical description may be better to identify the lots within a subdivision if you break it up, but it could go either way. Mayor Sajonia, I do want to make a statement for the council that this was approved by a prior council and now it is coming back to the final stipulations. **Matt Brockcamp-** I emailed the engineer Brad Baird with Anderson Perry the engineering plan. First, we need a tentative plan approval, then Brad Baird will develop the engineering plan, the paved bike path, lot lines are squared, and engineering plans are ready to be submitted once we make those edits. **Dan DeBoie-** Daggett Street is what the name should say and continue on as. It was originally Daggett Lane and it was brought up that the rural naming cannot be a lane it must be a street. **Councilor Hamilton-**I'm confused about the cul-de-sac is this going to be an issue as a parking area? There is off-street parking in front of the buildings. **Public Questions:** Kathy Norman (810 N College)- Where are we at with sewer issues, internet issues, and how is that going to tax a system that is already taxed? **Dan DeBoie-** Dan presented some concerns about the depth of the sewer and water drainage and wanted to know how they were dealing with stormwater runoff. Walkway between two lots and it goes nowhere. **Matt-** The City of Joseph Ordinance requires public space so we created a park in one of the lots to accommodate. **Mayor Sajonia-** Dan, Larry would like to meet up with you regarding that property. Mayor Sajonia made a motion to approve the subdivision Sub-1-2019 with the amended items with the exception being to keep it at Daggett Lane. Councilor Tanya Collier 2nd, Councilor Hamilton replied I don't like the cul-de-sacs, 4-2. Opposition was Councilor Hamilton and Sturm.
- c) **Joseph/McCully blocked off** – Per Wyatt Baum advice, will be tabled until next meeting or handled administratively. Other options are being looked at by ODOT. Don Bronson (301 E Pine) The bridge by the Indian grounds is supposed to be repaired, if you close McCully what are we going to do go to the bridge turn around and go back to Enterprise? Larry Braden replied that they have not made a decision on the road at this time. Mayor Sajonia replied that the council does not have enough information to vote on the road change right now.

- d) **Resolution-2019-16-Accepting Fire Fighting Payment** – Motion was made by Councilor Bufford, 2nd by Councilor Tanya Collier, vote passed 5-0 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.
- e) **Resolution-2019-17-Transfer Fire Fighting Payment** – Motion was made by Councilor Sturm, 2nd by Councilor Hamilton, vote passed 5-0 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.
- f) **Resolution-2019-18-RV Permit Fee** – Motion was made by Councilor Bufford, 2nd by Councilor Hamilton, vote passed 4-1 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.
- g) **Resolution-2019-19-Accepting Joseph Chamber Funds** – Motion was made by Councilor Bufford, 2nd by Councilor Tanya Collier, vote passed 3-2 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.
- h) **Resolution-2019-20-Accepting Bronze, Blues, and Brews Funds** – Motion was made by Councilor Hamilton to amend the resolution to put into the Parks improvements and upgrades line 15, 2nd by Councilor Tanya Collier, vote passed 5-0 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.
- i) **Resolution-2019-21-Accepting Funds from the Sale of Community Center Tables** – Motion was made by Councilor Bufford, 2nd by Councilor Hamilton, vote passed 5-0 with Councilor Lisa Collier recusing herself.

2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

3. **Action Items**

- a) **CJD’s, Rodeo Board, Chamber meeting** – Mayor, Larry- This winter we will begin to start attending the meetings.
- b) **ODOT-Cross walk added**- Larry- ODOT is going to come up and evaluate that area.
- c) **Junk Ordinance update** – Larry- Making a plan in place that will help us fix this problem.
- d) **Top of Main and 10th** – Signage request-Larry/Levi-The Sheriff will be watching and the stop signs are all there as they should be. Striping on the road or speed indentions on the road to assist drivers to keep into their lane. Larry-we are widening the lane with four more feet.
- e) **Joseph/McCully Signage** – Larry/Levi- Larry-we are looking at a lot of maps and history and it is undecided at this point moving forward. No decision has been made.
- f) **Corner of College/Lake Hwy.** – Personal property on City right of way- Larry met with the property owners and they have applied for a fence permit and will have all of their belongings inside their fence before leaving this fall. Kathy Bingham (403 E 3rd) What is the update on the corner of Lake and College? Larry-ODOT is evaluating to see if it is their property or the city.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

The items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and all will be adopted by one motion unless a Council Member or a person in the audience requests, before the vote on the motion, to have any item considered separately. If any item is removed from the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will indicate when it will be discussed.

- a) **City Council Minutes-** (Special Meeting August 1, 2019, Regular Meeting August 1, 2019) Mayor Sajonia made a motion to pass the consent agenda for the Special Meeting August 1, 2019, and the Regular Meeting August 1, 2019, 2nd by Councilor Bufford, vote passed 6-0.

5. **STAFF ITEMS**

- a) None

6. **COUNCILORS’ and MAYOR’S ITEMS**

- a) Mayor Sajonia – None
- b) Tanya Collier - None
- c) Lisa Collier – Speeding on the south end of main street is getting bad.
- d) Patty Bufford – When is that section of the road going to be paved on McCully. Levi said within two weeks.
- e) Pearl Sturm – None

- f) Marty Hamilton – I did notice the Backwoods’ Bash and at least 200 RVs and curious why we aren’t accepting a bed tax from the rodeo and also the RV dump. Why isn’t the rodeo required to have their own dump station.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE** - None

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT** –

- a) **Wayne Bronson** – To Marty Hamilton, do you collect bed tax for your spaces and overflow site. Is that okayed with the council to have overflows stay there when you have more than ten spaces. He just admitted that he has let them stay there for a night. Marty-sometimes that happens, most of the times I send them to the rodeo grounds but it’s strange that sometimes they don’t realize how popular our area is. Wayne- you still charge them a fee. Marty-yes sometimes.
- b) **Kathy Bufford**- (403 E 3rd) – The last meeting you put a moratorium on the grants for five years. It is a county ordinance what it can be used for, beautification is not one of them. I truly would like to see it divided into each of the four allocations. After the 32% to the chamber you would have to bring in a lot more money. Mayor Sajonia- We want to build it up to have the money saved to help us get grants. We have had numerous discussions about perhaps a stage/gazebo, or path for those with disabilities other than tourism.
- c) **Becky Rushton** (201 S Main)- So you put a freeze on any grants on the hotel/motel tax? Mayor Sajonia-except for the 32% to the chamber. Becky- also because there was an earlier comment about the 10% for the Chief Joseph Days vendors, if that is coming into play and how soon would that come into effect? We are headed into our 75th year and any changes I would like to know as soon as possible. Councilor Sturm- If it’s going to come up it will be next month’s agenda. Becky- Someone was asking whether the City was paying for the CJDs and that is billed to the Joseph Chamber \$585 and may be other permit fees through the county. Mayor Sajonia- Are there grants through Pacific Power?

9. **BILLS REVIEWED AND PAID** -

a) *August 2019*

10. **MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**-

Councilor Tanya Collier made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Lisa Collier. Vote passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned.

Teresa Sajonia, Mayor

Attested:

Belinda Buswell, Recorder

Action Item-

1. Post office parking 15-minute signs
2. 15 MPH signs
3. Alley Debris
4. Steins/Community Bank Crosswalk Update
5. College/Lake Hwy Update
6. Speed Trailer
7. Passed resolutions not signed by Dennis Sands that need readdressed to sign on record