

Councilmembers

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. Barbara Ford, Deputy Mayor
3. Michelle Gehring
4. Dave Harman
5. Nicola McDonald
6. Josh Penner
7. Scott Drennen



ORIGINAL
ORTING CITY COUNCIL
Regular Business Meeting Minutes
Public Safety Building
401 Washington Ave. SE, Orting, WA

January 11, 2017
7 p.m.

Mayor Joachim Pestinger

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL.**

Mayor Pestinger called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m., in the Public Safety Building. Councilmember Harman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Deputy Mayor Barbara Ford, Councilmembers Scott Drennen, Tod Gunther, Nicola McDonald, Josh Penner, and Dave Harman.

Councilmember Absent: Michelle Gehring.

Staff Present: Mark Bethune, City Administrator, Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, Scott Larson, Treasurer, JC Hungerford, Engineer, Charlotte Archer, City Attorney.

Deputy Mayor Ford made a motion to excuse Councilmember Gehring. Second by Councilmember McDonald. Motion passed (6-0)

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA.

None.

2. **PRESENTATION**

A. Veterans Village

Larry Geringer, President from Puget Sound Veterans Hope Center addressed the Council regarding Orting Village, an affordable housing project for Veterans. He went through a power point presentation. Also present were Maryellen Hill, his associate, Ray Switzer from West Care, Willie Slusarski of the Washington Soldiers Home, Gary Condva, Deputy Director of Veterans affairs, Dean McGrady, Executive Director of Panza, Tip Sturdivant, President, Panza, and Arlene Murray of Veterans helping Veterans in Need, and Ginger Segel, of Community Frameworks. Discussion ensued. Roger Wagoner, Planner for the City, addressed zoning issues. The City will be doing inspections and will do a review of the site plan. The City Council expressed by consensus; their support of this project.

Public Comment

Karen Wilson

Ms. Wilson expressed concerns about screening the residents of the proposed community.

B. Facility Planning Group

Roger Wagoner, the City's Planning Consultant, briefed on the Facility Advisory Committee's Preliminary Conclusions and Recommendations. He went thru a PowerPoint with his associate Barbara and they covered the following:

- Purpose of the Study;
- Background Information;
- Principles;
- Process;
- Advisory Committee;
- Opportunities;
- Existing Assets;
- Current & Future Needs;
- Alternatives;
- Existing Conditions;
- Alternative A;
- Alternative B;
- Alternative C.
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Mr. Wagoner will deliver a report to the City which will document the minutes of the meetings.

C. Proclamation- National School Choice Week

Mayor Pestinger read his proclamation for National School Choice Week which he proclaimed to be during the week of January 22-28th, 2017.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Luke Smith

Mr. Smith asked questions about the project at the Soldiers Home. Mark Bethune will get back with him on his questions.

Karen Wilson

Ms. Wilson thought the Veterans Village Presentation could have been more widely publicized.

The Executive session and the Sale of the Public Safety Building were bumped down on the agenda. (City Consultant had not arrived)

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes of December 14th, 2016
- Payroll and Claims Warrants

Deputy Mayor Ford made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as prepared. Second by Councilmember Penner. Motion passed (6-0)

5. COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL STANDING REPORTS

Finance

Councilmember Penner briefed that Parks had fallen short last year because they did not receive the grant they had anticipated getting. The TBD came in high due to 2015 carryover, and GFC's came in high. Discussion ensued regarding prepayment of GFC's. Deputy Mayor Ford went through the Revenue and Expense Sheet and

- Economic and Community Development looked at using a video presentation to highlight the City;

Public Safety

Councilmember Harman briefed on the following from the last committee meeting:

- Search and rescue Policy is being worked on by Lt. Gard;
- 4th of July Fireworks issue will be turned over to the Fire District;
- Public Nuisance Vehicles Ordinance
- Discharge of firearms in the City;
- Hunting in the City;
- RV's in the City;
- Chief Drake made a presentation which will be brought forward to a future meeting as a full presentation;
- Community Policing.

Public Works

Councilmember Penner briefed the Council on the following:

- Solid Waste going to bid soon;
- Public Works Shop and Parametrix is expected to provide documents from 30-60 days;
- Utility Rate Study towards the middle of the year to get ahead of the budget.

Councilmember Harman stated that the biggest issue the Committee will be working on is the Solid Waste issue, and he thanked Councilmember Drennen for his input in this area. Discussion ensued regarding Solid Wastes and what role the City should take in the process.

Parks Advisory Board

Councilmember Gunther explained that the Parks Commission and the Parks Board were merged. The first meeting will be on February 1st, at 6:30pm at the Public Safety Building.

Emergency Evacuation Bridge System

Councilmember Drennen briefed on the meeting of January 6th:

- The primary focus was to get their request in to the Legislature to secure the remaining funds for the design process for the bridge;
- The right of way on Rocky Road is also being worked on by City Administrator Bethune.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Pestinger briefed on the following:

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Miscellaneous Activity Reports.

None.

6. COMMISSION REPORTS

Karen Wilson briefed on the Planning Commission meeting where they met with the representative from Gravity Coffee. The Planning Commission also looked at and made recommendations on signage and the exterior design of the new coffee shop. They also reviewed sign codes.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. AB17-01- D.M. Disposal Company Proposed Rate Increase

City Administrator Bethune introduced Mark Gingrich from DM Disposal. Mr. Gingrich briefed the Council on the Rate increase. Causes of the increase are due to land fill costs and the cost of water at the landfill. Participation rates were also discussed.

Councilmember McDonald recused herself from the vote as her spouse works for DM Disposal.

Councilmember Penner made a motion to approve D.M. Disposal Company proposed rate increase effective March 1, 2017. Second by Councilmember Drennen. Motion passed (5-0)

B. AB17-02- Council Confirmation of Mayor's Appointment to the Planning Commission.

Mayor Pestinger introduced Luke Smith to the Council. Mr. Smith then briefed the Council on his desire to be a Planning Commissioner. Mr. Smith also gave a brief biography of his educational background.

Deputy Mayor Ford made a motion to confirm the appointment by the Mayor of Luke Smith to the Planning Commission. Second by Councilmember Gunther. Motion passed (6-0)

C. AD HOC Committee- Facility's.

City Administrator Bethune asked Councilmembers to volunteer to be on an Ad Hoc Committee that would study the recommendations presented by the Facility Advisory group, and then make a recommendation to the Council as a whole.

Councilmember Penner, McDonald, Drennen and Deputy Mayor Ford volunteered for this Committee.

D. AB17-03- Dump Truck Purchase.

Councilmember McDonald briefed the Council on the agenda item. Scott Larson confirmed that the bid process was followed. The Dump Truck will replace a 24 year old truck which will be go to surplus.

Councilmember McDonald made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$50,179.79 for the purchase of a 2017 F-450 Dump Truck from Korum Automotive Group. Second by Councilmember Penner. Motion passed (6-0)

Mayor Pestinger recessed the meeting for a brief break at 8:23pm.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:30pm Mayor Pestinger called the meeting back to order and announced that there would be an executive session. The session was expected to last 20 minutes, and action will take place after they return. The executive session is in regard to the sale of real estate in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (c)

Recessed to executive session at 8:30pm.

Executive session was extended for 10 minutes at 8:50pm.

Mayor Pestinger called the meeting back to order at 9:00pm.

9. SALE OF PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING- Resolution No. 2017-0

Mayor Pestinger called for a motion in regard to the sale of the Public Safety Building. Discussion ensued and the motion was made to amend section 1.b to say: "That if all feasible requirements are found to be met, that the purchase and sale agreement be executed as soon as is practical, with an estimated effective date of December 31, 2017."

Councilmember McDonald made a motion To adopt Resolution No. 2017-01, as amended, evidencing the City's intention to sell the Public Safety Building to Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18, AKA Orting Valley Fire and Rescue. Second by Deputy Mayor Ford. Motion passed (6-0)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Harman made a motion to adjourn. Second by Councilmember McDonald. Motion passed (6-0)

Mayor Pestinger adjourned the meeting at 9:02pm.

ATTEST:


Joachim Pestinger, Mayor


Jane Montgomery, City Clerk,