

## Councilmembers

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. John Kelly
3. Tony Belot
4. John Williams
5. Gregg Bradshaw
6. Greg Hogan
7. Scott Drennen



**Mayor Joshua Penner, Chair**

**ORTING CITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Business Meeting Agenda  
Orting Multi-Purpose Center  
202 Washington Ave. S, Orting, WA  
March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
7 p.m.

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

Mayor Penner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmember Gunther led the pledge of allegiance.

**Councilmembers Present:** Deputy Mayor Greg Hogan, Councilmembers Tod Gunther, John Kelly, John Williams, Gregg Bradshaw, and Scott Drennen.

**Absent:** Councilmember Tony Belot

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

*Councilmember Kelly made a motion to excuse Councilmember Belot. Second by Councilmember Gunther. Motion passed (6-0)*

### **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA.**

1. Jane Montgomery –Add the minutes from the February 26, 2020 meeting.
2. Mayor Penner– Add a discussion of COVID19.
3. Scott Larson- Add Ordinance No. 2020-1059 – Establish City Hours of Business.

*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to add the three items and approve the agenda as amended. Second by Councilmember Bradshaw. Motion passed (6-0)*

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chad Brahs

Mr. Brahs spoke about tree roots that are pushing up the sidewalks in the City. His son sustained an injury when he tripped on a sidewalk. He would like action taken to repair sidewalks.

Melodie Koenig

Ms. Koenig is the President of the SR162 group. She spoke about the traffic on Whitehawk and would like to see a traffic light put in. She is also troubled by traffic on Eldredge and Corrin.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- B. Minutes of February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- C. Payroll and Claims Warrants

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

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. AB20-24- Resolution Setting Hearing on Petition to Vacate Unopened Portion of Kansas Street.**

City Attorney Archer briefed that The City received a petition for vacation of a portion of unopened Kansas Street at the intersection to Calistoga from Scott Corliss. The City has no current plans to

develop this land into a public road now or in the future. There are no utilities currently in this right of way. Staff recommended setting the hearing on the petition to vacate the unopened right of way. The hearing will be noticed for a minimum of twenty days, pursuant to RCW 35.79.020.

*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion To Adopt Resolution No. 2020-09, Setting A Public Hearing On April 8, 2020 At 7PM At The Multi-Purpose Center On The Petition To Vacate A Portion Of Unopened Kansas Street. Second by Councilmember Kelly. Motion passed (6-0)*

#### **B. AB20-28- Sale of City Property Adjacent to Cemetery.**

Treasurer Larson briefed on the sale of the property. The City Council agreed to surplus the property which is made up of 9.8 acres of land adjacent to the cemetery in its meeting of February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The property has an offer of \$100,000 from the McMahon family who owns the adjacent property. The City appraisal in 2019 that showed a value of \$95,000. If accepted, the City will reinvest the proceeds in the City's cemetery to build an irrigation system and reduce labor expense.

*Councilmember Drennen made a motion to authorize the Sale of Parcel No. 0418011003 to the McMahon Family for \$100,000 Plus Costs and Fees, and authorize The Mayor to Execute All Documents Necessary to Complete the Sale, In a Form Acceptable to the City Attorney. Second by Councilmember Kelly. Motion passed (6-0)*

#### **C. GOALS**

Mayor Penner pulled this item from the agenda.

#### **D. COVID19 Discussion.**

Mayor Penner briefed on updates from the Governor and Pierce County. Discussion followed on changes made due to COVID19 regulations:

- The plan for utility's;
- Water shut offs;
- Waiver of on line fees;
- City sponsored Recreation Activities;
- Meeting limitations;
- Non-essential meetings;
- Virtual Meetings;
- Closure of City Hall;
- More signage;
- Purchase of supplies for COVID19;
- De Con of Parks;
- Restrooms;
- Vulnerable Citizens in the City;
- Senior Center;
- Police protocols.

The Mayor will provide regular updates to the Council.

### **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Penner announced that there would be an executive session per RCW 42.30.110 (i) (2) regarding potential litigation. They will be out for 5 minutes, no action anticipated upon return to open session. The Mayor recessed the meeting to a 4 minute break at 8:05pm.

The Executive Session started at 8:09pm.  
8:14pm– Session over.

Mayor Penner called the meeting back to order at 8:14pm.


Pierce County Councilmember Dave Morrell was present and briefed the Council on how the Pierce County Council is operating due to COVID19. He also spoke about the effects on the economy and all the events that have had to be cancelled.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to Adjourn. Second by Councilmember Williams. Motion passed (6-0).*

Mayor Penner adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.

ATTEST:

  
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Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, CMC

  
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Joshua Penner, Mayor