



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, October 18, 2010
Keizer Civic Center, Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Present:

Lore Christopher, Mayor
Jim Taylor, Council President
Richard Walsh, Councilor
Cathy Clark, Councilor
Mark Caillier, Councilor
David McKane, Councilor
Brandon Smith, Councilor
Youth Councilor Hugo Nicolas

Staff:

Rob Kissler, Acting City Manager
Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Nate Brown, Community Development
Marc Adams, Police Chief
Tracy Davis, City Recorder

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Christopher led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Several students from Claggett Creek Middle School spoke positively and enthusiastically about the after school programs: AVID (Advanced Via Individual Determination), Leadership, and BASE (Before and After School Enrichment), and urged support for the programs. Mayor Christopher explained that these programs used to be the POWER program.

Chuck Lee, Keizer, representing the Salem-Keizer School Board, invited the public to the Annual Summit at Sprague High School adding that on November 3 he would host a local meeting at McNary High School.

Mayor Christopher introduced the new Youth Councilor, Hugo Nicolas. He explained that he serves as a senior representative at McNary High School, a police cadet, and a Fire Explorer; is involved in the Junior ROTC program at North Salem, is Captain of the Charlie Company, and is involved in the Leadership Youth program. He concluded that he is involved because he wants to "expect less and give to others".

Jeanne Bond-Esser, Keizer, gave the Parks Advisory Board report noting that Bob Stai, Chair of the Keizer Points of Interest Committee had approached the Board for permission to post interpretive signage about the historical Japanese influence in the area prior to World War II on the back side of the Marie Dorian sign at Keizer Station Park and the Board enthusiastically supported this. Ms. Bond-Esser provided additional details regarding the funding of the sign at Keizer Station Park adding

that the Points of Interest Committee would be looking for donations. She continued her report noting that Jim Parent informed the Board that the soccer field at Claggett Creek Park is not in usable condition for competition. He will be working with staff to develop a plan to upgrade the field. She added that this project may qualify for a Local Government Grant. Discussion then took place regarding Mike Whittam Community Garden Park.

Kevin Hohnbaum and Jane Mullholland, Keep Keizer Livable, Keizer, provided a history of the formation of the group and explained that the group has launched an effort to get an initiative on the ballot which will prohibit a building larger than 65,000 square feet to be built in Keizer except for Area A of Keizer Station. He reported that ample signatures have been collected and turned in, and that State law requires that city government consider adoption without spending money on a special election. Keep Keizer Livable suggests that before any decision is made, Council talk to citizens door to door to hear what Keizerites have to say.

Roger Widmer, Keizer, explained that a tree growing in the center of Linda Street is a problem; Public Works has agreed to remove the tree and construction surrounding it but is planning on putting another one in. He requested that the planting not be done. Mr. Kissler provided additional information and fielded questions regarding the history of this planting with Chief Adams adding that the tree is an "attractive nuisance" and the Police Department sees no reason for it. Following additional discussion, it was consensus of Council to remove the tree from the street and look at it again in six months.

Rhonda Rich and Ken LeDuc, Keizer, of West Keizer Neighborhood Association reported that they had attended the last Amphitheater Task Force meeting and requested that a time line be put in place to accomplish the recommendations of the Task Force before the next concert. Rob Kissler explained actions that have been taken and those being worked on. Councilor Clark explained that staff has begun work and tasks will be completed in a timely manner.

Sandra King, Keizer, spoke in support of fluoridation of Keizer water.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Keizer Development Code Text Amendment Section 2.308 (Signs)

Community Development Director, Nate Brown, explained that the amendment loosens restrictions placed on temporary signage. He added that the Economic Development and Governmental Affairs committee assisted in review and provided input and that Planning Commission, after receiving testimony and deliberating at length, had unanimously recommended adoption of the amendment. He then summarized the changes and fielded questions regarding restrictions and allowances, feather signs, portable signs, and spacing.

Mayor Christopher opened the Public Hearing. Hearing no testimony, Mayor Christopher closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Taylor moved to direct staff to prepare an ordinance with findings to adopt the proposed revisions. Councilor Smith seconded.

Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Walsh, Smith, McKane, Caillier, Taylor and Clark (7)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: None (0)

**ADMINISTRATIVE
ACTION**

None

**CONSENT
CALENDAR**

None

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

**a. PROCLAMATION
–Lights on After
School Days**

Mayor Christopher explained that the children who had testified earlier came in response to a proclamation that the City has agreed to present to the Salem-Keizer Education Foundation. She then read the proclamation calling for support of after school programs.

**b. Appointments to
Keizer Budget
Committee**

Taken out of order. Councilor Clark reported that there were vacancies on the Budget Committee. Notice of the vacancies was published and the Volunteer Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended Ron Bersin to fill Position #1 and Kim Freeman to fill Position #2 of the Budget Committee.

Councilor Clark moved that the City Council accept the recommendation of the Volunteer Coordinating Committee to appoint Ron Bersin to fill Position #1 and Kim Freeman to fill Position #2 of the Budget Committee. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Walsh, Smith, McKane, Caillier, Taylor and Clark (7)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: None (0)

**c. Keizer Rotary
Amphitheatre
Task Force Final
Report**

Councilor Clark reviewed the formation of the Task Force, noted that some recommendations have been adopted and listed remaining Task Force recommendations:

- Landscaping, fencing, and better monitoring at the top of the bowl to lower sound levels at certain locations
- Renewal of the contract with KRA, LLC for the 2011 concert season
- Retention of the Band Selection Task Force which will work with KRA, LLC to select bands for the concerts
- Dissolution of the Amphitheater Task Force

Discussion then took place regarding sound levels, compliance with the City noise ordinance, timing of ameliorating measures, report from KRA, and landscaping in the neighborhood buffer area.

Councilor Taylor moved to accept the report and recommendations of the Keizer Rotary Amphitheatre Task Force. Councilor Clark seconded.

Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Walsh, Smith, McKane, Caillier, Taylor and Clark (7)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: None (0)

Councilor Smith reported on the recent meeting of the Heritage Task Force; the next meeting is at the end of October with a final meeting planned for November. He also reviewed times and dates for upcoming Leadership Keizer, Stormwater Advisory Committee, and Keizer Urban Renewal Board meetings.

Councilor Walsh thanked Dr. Osmunson and everyone who testified at the recent Council Work Session and reported that the Tourism Committee is looking forward to working with the Chamber, the City and the Task Force regarding signage. He also noted the upcoming meeting date for the Economic Development and Government Affairs meeting.

Councilor Taylor reminded everyone of the upcoming Gubser Neighborhood Association meeting. He added that an Eagle Scout project collecting used books for the Keizer Community Library is underway and will continue with collections at True Value and Roth's for two weeks.

Councilor ^{Caillier} Clark reminded everyone of the upcoming Claggett Creek Watershed Commission meeting.

Councilor McKane invited the public to the upcoming Traffic Safety Commission.

Councilor Clark congratulated the Fire District for their successful Open House which included over 100 registrations for library cards and noted

- That she had attended the Sustainability Summit Planning meeting
- That "Hands on Government" tiles created by the Making Keizer Better Foundation have been placed on the west side of the Civic Center parking lot
- Dates for the Marion County Reentry Initiative Breakfast, K-23 Advisory Committee meeting and the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study meeting.

Youth Councilor Hugo Nicolas reported that McNary would play Sprague on Friday at home and that he is starting a project to raise funds to purchase a mascot and flag to use at assemblies and games.

Community Development Director Nate Brown reported that he had received copies of the Intergovernmental Agreement enabling the City to proceed with the design study for the Salem Parkway crossing to the Kroc Center. He explained that \$70,000 will come from the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study, \$6,000 from Keizer and \$4,000 from Salem.

City Recorder Tracy Davis reviewed volunteer openings and urged interested citizens to apply.

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

*Corrected
11-15-10
TLC*

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS**

None

AGENDA INPUT

November 1, 2010

6:30 p.m. – Urban Renewal Agency meeting

- Keizer Urban Renewal Board – Term Limits
- Urban Renewal Agency Supplemental Budget

7:00 p.m. – City Council Regular Session

- Ordinance – Keizer Station Area B Master Plan
- Motion to suspend purchasing equipment to fluoridate the seven wells currently not fluoridated.

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5:45 p.m. – City Council Work Session

- 911 Emergency Communications

November 15, 2010

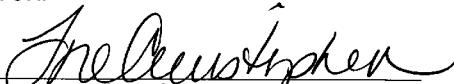
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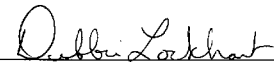
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christopher adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

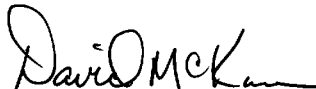
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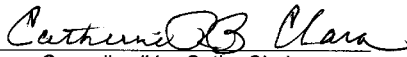
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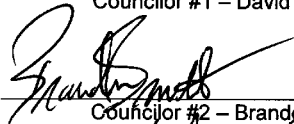

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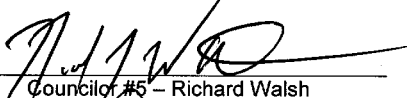

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

COUNCIL MEMBERS

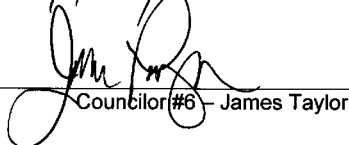

Councilor #1 – David McKane


Councilor #4 – Cathy Clark


Councilor #2 – Brandon Smith


Councilor #5 – Richard Walsh


Councilor #3 – Mark Caillier


Councilor #6 – James Taylor

Minutes approved:

November 15, 2010