



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, October 1, 2012
Keizer Civic Center, Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Present:

Lore Christopher, Mayor
Cathy Clark, Council President
Brandon Smith, Councilor
David McKane, Councilor
Jim Taylor, Councilor
Joe Egli, Councilor

Staff:

Chris Eppley, City Manager
Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Nate Brown, Community Development
Captain Jeff Kuhns, Police
Tracy Davis, City Recorder

Absent:

Mark Caillier, Councilor

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Christopher led the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC
TESTIMONY**

Christine Dieker, Keizer; Sam Pearson, Salem and Colleen Goodwin, Keizer, addressed Council regarding the Keizer Culture Project for the Keizer Chamber Center. Mr. Pearson explained that the project is an interpretive center within the Chamber to promote awareness and community education of Keizer history. It focuses on trappers in the settlers' period, steamships and Native Americans. He played a brief slide show to orient Council to the project and asked if the spare copy of the Wallace House kiosk and the Thomas Dove Keizer macquette currently being held at City Hall could be loaned to the Chamber for the display. Ms. Goodwin added that these pieces would be part of the display and would complement the proposed mural. Councilor Clark indicated that since the duplicate Wallace House kiosk was a gift from the Parks Foundation, they should be consulted prior to any decision. Mr. Pearson added that the research phase of the project has been completed; now they are looking for grants. Mayor Christopher indicated that if the Parks Foundation was amenable to the loan the City would be happy to do so. Ms. Dieker added that a letter of support for grant purposes would be appreciated as well.

Linda Baker, Keizer, representing Keizer Home Grown Theater, thanked Council for their support and announced the upcoming performance

taking place in the Civic Center. She explained that eight people will play 40 different parts and tickets could be purchased from the Chamber.

Jason Cox, Keizer, from the Keizer Times, announced the Mayoral Debate and Candidate Forum scheduled for Tuesday, October 9. Sponsored by the Keizer Times, the event will feature a debate between the two candidates for mayor and a roundtable discussion with the three candidates for the contested City Council race. City Attorney Shannon Johnson added that although it is being broadcast on Channel 23, it is not sponsored by the City. Jason confirmed that the filming is privately backed; there are no tax payer dollars being spent to film the debate.

Rick Hammerquist, Keizer, voiced opposition to the administrative action item of naming the Keizer boat ramp noting that it is being done with no public input. He referred to the "General Procedure for Naming Rights" which was included in the agenda packet and suggested that Council consider having a public hearing to receive input from citizens on possible boat ramp names and have the Keizer residents vote on these choices through their water bill. He noted that Keizer taxpayers had funded 25% of the cost of this facility through SDC funds and they deserve to have a say in what it is called.

Mayor Christopher clarified that the agenda item is simply a discussion on whether or not there is a desire to name the boat ramp.

Community Development Director Nate Brown explained that the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife funded the majority of the project with the Marine Board participating and a local match of 25%. He noted that he contacted the Marine Board to find out if there is a process for naming of the facility and they indicated that they have no direct control over local naming as long as they are not offensive or distasteful. They do, however, prefer to incorporate "landing" in the name regardless of what is decided upon. The facilities are given geographic orientation so it will continue to be identified as the Keizer Rapids boat ramp, but they would add "also known as" and whatever name the local jurisdiction decides upon.

Ken LeDuc, Keizer, extended his gratitude to Keizer Little League and Keizer Youth Sports for working together to make the ball park even better than it is today. He also suggested that the neighborhood associations, homeowners associations and Keizer Points of Interest Committee be invited to come up with naming schemes of historic value so citizen would be part of the boat ramp naming process.

Eamon Bishop, Keizer, introduced Doug Parrow from the State Scenic Bikeways Committee who has proposed a change in the Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway where it goes through Keizer. He provided details of the proposed change and Public Works Director Bill Lawyer added that he agreed with the revisions and the City would only need to change the sign locations.

Doug Parrow, Keizer, fielded questions and provided additional information regarding the route. City Attorney Shannon Johnson noted that staff would bring a formal resolution to the next meeting. Mayor Christopher informed Mr. Parrow that he had Council support and the City Attorney would do research on Council authority and then bring it back to Council.

PUBLIC HEARING
a. Mariscos La
Sirenita Liquor
License
Application –
Change of
Privilege

City Manager Chris Eppley reported that an application was submitted for a Change of Liquor License Greater Privilege for Mariscos La Sirenita, Keizer, Oregon. There are no changes in the ownership or location of the establishment therefore reports from Keizer Police and Community Development are not included. A public hearing was scheduled, notice published, and necessary notification given with no comments received. Staff recommends that following a public hearing, Council recommend approval of the application. It was noted that "Greater Privilege" is serving not just beer and wine, but also hard liquor.

Mayor Christopher opened the Public Hearing.

Lorena Sanchez, Salem, explained that this was her first year in Keizer and customers have asked for margaritas and tequila so she is requesting full service.

With no further testimony Mayor Christopher closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Clark moved that the Keizer City Council recommend approval of the Greater Privilege Liquor License for Mariscos La Sirenita under the guidelines as established by ORS 471.178 and the Ordinances of the City of Keizer and to forward this recommendation to the Oregon Liquor Control Commission for final approval. Councilor Taylor seconded.
Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

ADMINISTRATIVE
ACTION

a. Naming of Boat
Ramp at Keizer
Rapids Park

City Attorney Shannon Johnson reported that this matter was on the agenda at the request of Councilors Taylor, Clark and Smith. As mentioned earlier, there is no specific process for naming a facility at a park so Council is free to take whatever action they choose. Discussion then took place regarding the naming of Carlson Skate Park, the process, and making sure that there is support for a given name. Councilor Taylor explained that the secrecy regarding the name was simply to avoid embarrassment if there was not enough support. He added that Council does not have to, but they will ask the Parks Board to make a recommendation and then take action.

Mayor Christopher noted that the Marine Board has already named it the Keizer Rapids Park Boat Ramp and questioned if Council was interested in pursuing an "aka" name. Councilor Taylor expressed the desire to delay any action for a month; Councilor McKane suggested that Keizer Points of Interest and Keizer Heritage Foundation weigh in; Councilor Clark suggested that it be referred to the Parks Board. Mayor Christopher urged the Parks Board Council Liaison, Councilor Smith, to bring this issue to the Parks Board. Discussion then took place regarding possible spellings: Keizer or Keizur Rapids Park Landing.

**b. ORDINANCE –
Relating to the
Amendment of
the Electric
Utility License
Fee Ordinance;
Declaring an
Emergency
(Amending
Ordinance 94-
286)**

City Attorney Shannon Johnson explained that there is a 60-day notice period and the gas company has not totally agreed but both gas and electric companies have agreed on final language, the notice will go out now and the Ordinances will come back in January.

Councilor Clark moved that Keizer City Council adopt an Ordinance Relating to the Amendment of the Electric Utility License Fee Ordinance; Declaring an Emergency (Amending Ordinance 94-286). Councilor Taylor seconded.

Councilor Egli offered a friendly amendment to change January to June.

Mr. Johnson assured Council that the new agreement would be ready for adoption by January 22, 2013.

Councilor Egli withdrew his friendly amendment.

Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

**ORDINANCE –
Relating to the
Amendment of
the Gas Utility
License Fee
Ordinance;
Declaring an
Emergency
(Amending
Ordinance 94-285)**

Councilor Clark moved that Keizer City Council adopt an Ordinance Relating to the Amendment of the Gas Utility License Fee Ordinance; Declaring an Emergency (Amending Ordinance 94-285). Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

**c. Fee Waiver for
Claggett Creek
Soccer Field
Use by Keizer
Soccer Club**

City Manager Chris Eppley read the report submitted by Public Works Director Bill Lawyer stating that The Keizer Soccer Club has requested a waiver of fees for the soccer fields at Claggett Creek Park for 8 weeks on Saturday mornings from 9 to 12. The use of the fields will not result in an increased level of service provided by City staff as the Club has committed to lining the field and providing the nets. The Club is hoping to

develop interest in rehabilitating the field in partnership with the City. They believe using the field for the fall season will expose the group to the need for improvement. Waiver of the fees would theoretically result in the loss of \$1100 of potential field rental revenues if the field was to be reserved for the identified days and hours, however, currently no other groups have approached the City to reserve the facility. Staff recommends approval.

Councilor Clark suggested that the Keizer Soccer Club and City Parks staff engage in outreach to the groups currently using the fields on Sundays for better communication and collaboration.

Mr. Eppley noted that in the past the City has never come close to receiving the \$1100 potential field rental revenues.

Councilor Clark moved that the Keizer City Council waive the fees and reserve the requested times at Claggett Creek Park soccer field for the Keizer Soccer Club with the requirement that Keizer Soccer Club provide nets and lining and work with City staff to begin a process for establishing connections with community groups that play soccer at that facility. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. RESOLUTION – Extending Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage to Keizer Volunteers (Repealing R2005-1598)
- b. RESOLUTION – Continuing Keizer Little League Park Task Force
- c. Approval of September 4, 2012 Regular Session Minutes

Councilor McKane pulled item b.

Councilor Clark moved for approval of Items A and C of the Consent Calendar. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

Mr. Eppley explained that the task force had met with Keizer Little League, Keizer Youth Sports and City staff and agreed with the direction that the two groups and City staff are working toward on resolving their differences and creating a cooperative management agreement between them and the City. City staff is working toward that now with the hope to have something for Council by October 15. The task force could continue to serve by developing a long-range plan for the facility or stay in place to provide a recommendation to the budget committee. However, it is not anticipated that they will be a long-term task force.

Councilor Clark moved for approval of Item B of the Consent Calendar. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**
**a. Planning
Commission
Appointment**

City Manager, Chris Eppley, reported that there was a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Notice of the vacancy was published and the Volunteer Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended Jonathan Thompson to fill the vacancy.

Councilor Clark moved that the Keizer City Council accept the recommendation of the Volunteer Coordinating Committee to appoint Jonathan Thompson to fill Planning Commission position number 6 to serve a three-year term ending September, 2015. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Egli, Smith, McKane, Taylor and Clark (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Caillier (1)

**OTHER COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Councilor Smith announced upcoming meetings including the Economic Opportunities Analysis Task Force, Parks Board and Storm Water Advisory Committee.

Councilor Taylor reported that the Keizer Points of Interest Committee had heard a proposal from the Daughters of the American Revolution and he asked Mike Hickman from KPIC to report.

Mike Hickman, Keizer, representing the Keizer Points of Interest Committee reported that Ruby Pantalone and Carol Goesch from local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution had offered a proposal for putting a sign which would be a tribute to Ann Marie Pittman on the Keizer Heritage Foundation land leased from the City. He explained that Pittman was the first white woman to see the Willamette River and the first to die and be buried in the area. All money for the sign and installation would be paid for with a grant from the Washington DC and local chapters of the DAR. KPIC has recommended approval.

Mr. Johnson indicated that he would check with the Heritage Foundation to see what fits best with them and he would bring something back to the next meeting.

Councilor Clark reported that she had attended City Hall Day at Newberg to meet with legislators and discuss the 5 issues that the League of Oregon Cities will be focusing on for the 2013 Legislature. These included the 911 tax renewal, resetting property values, jobs, economic

development, more local control and population forecasting. She then commended Phillip O'Donnell who assisted in filming a video on population forecasting with the LOC. She urged everyone to provide input on the Oregon Passenger Rail via the website.

She also attended the Salem Keizer Area Transportation Study and Salem Economic Development Corporation meetings, thanked those who participated in a half-time tribute at the McNary football game, and listed upcoming meetings/events including Mid-Willamette Area Commission on Transportation, Fire Prevention week open houses and Commissioners' Breakfast.

Mayor Christopher announced the upcoming Marion County Economic Development Summit at the Keizer Civic Center.

Councilor Egli reported that he had attended the League of Oregon Cities Conference, announced that that all Council members have now completed the emergency management work, and noted the time and place for the next Chamber Board meeting and the Candidate and Measure Forum.

Councilor McKane announced the next Planning Commission meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS Captain Kuhns announced that at the Real Heroes Breakfast the Red Cross had recognized Officer Copeland and Sergeant Bamford for their fiery crash accident last year.

Community Development Director Nate Brown reminded everyone of the upcoming Economic Opportunities Analysis Task Force meeting.

City Attorney Shannon Johnson announced that he had attended the League of Oregon Cities meeting for legal issues.

City Attorney announced that he had attended the League of Oregon Cities City Managers' workshop.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS None

AGENDA INPUT

October 1, 2012
7:00 p.m. – City Council Meeting

October 8, 2012
5:45 p.m. – City Council Work Session

- Willamette River – Third Bridge Study
(topic postponed – work session cancelled)

October 15, 2012
7:00 p.m. – City Council Meeting

ADJOURNMENT With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

APPROVED:

MAYOR:

Lore Christopher

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilor #1 – David McKane

Councilor #4 – Cathy Clark

Councilor #2 – Brandon Smith

Councilor #5 – Joe Egli

~ Absent ~
Councilor #3 – Mark Caillier

Councilor #6 – James Taylor

Minutes approved:

October 15, 2012