



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 17, 2007
Keizer City Hall
Robert L. Simon Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

**CALL TO
ORDER**

Mayor Christopher called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Present:

Mayor Lore Christopher
Richard Walsh, Council President
Jim Taylor, Councilor
Jacque Moir, Councilor
Cathy Clark, Councilor
David McKane, Councilor
Position #2 Vacant
Alex James, Student Councilor

Staff:

Chris Eppley, City Manager
Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Nate Brown, Community
Development
Rob Kissler, Public Works
Marc Adams, Chief of Police
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City
Recorder

Mayor Christopher introduced the new Student Councilor, Alex James. He explained that he began in the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program in order to become active in the community and after serving one year has been given the privilege to serve as the Student Councilor for Keizer.

FLAG SALUTE
PUBLIC
TESTIMONY

Mayor Christopher led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Christopher noted that the Public Hearing on Keizer Station Area B Master Plan had been postponed to October 15.

Christine Dieker, Keizer, representing the Parks Advisory Board, reported on Parks Board activities including work on updating the Master Plan and offered the following anticipated timeline for approval:

- October 9 Parks Board meeting: Final review and acceptance
- October 22 Parks Board/Council Work Session to review document
- November 5 City Council Public Hearing

Additionally, Ms. Dieker reported on Park Board discussions with interested citizens, activities of Keizer Rapids Park work groups, investigation into the formation of a Park Foundation and Board support for the Willamette River United Act. In conclusion, Ms. Dieker noted that

she is working on development of a citizen "Park Patrol" and encouraged citizens interested in participating to contact her. Citizens interested in volunteering at the park in other areas should contact the Public Works Department at the City.

Jerry McGee, Keizer, representing Keizer Points of Interest Committee (KPIC) reviewed activities of the committee highlighting completed projects, including signage throughout the city and the donation land act monument. He reviewed planned projects such as establishment of land claim corners (5) along River Road, a monument showing the flood levels of the Willamette since 1860, a legend sign at the residence of Marie Dorian, a bronze bust of Charles McNary, heritage tree project and geocaching of historical sites in Keizer. He reviewed in detail plans for the Wallace House site and the veterans' memorial featuring a statue of Captain Thomas Dove Keizer and added that the "Lost Train of Labish" project has been placed on hold pending receipt of more information. The Oral History project has been "furloughed" because it has proven to be too big and unmanageable for the committee to handle. And finally, Mr. McGee requested a decision regarding funding of the 45th Parallel monument with Urban Renewal Agency funding through River Road Renaissance project criteria. Following discussion, Council agreed to schedule an Urban Renewal Agency meeting for 6:15 on September 24, prior to the Special Session.

Councilor Clark interjected that Mr. McGee would be a featured speaker at the upcoming OMPOC (Oregon Municipal Planning Organization Consortium) symposium dinner on Friday, October 12.

Doug Schneider, Keizer, representing the Planning Commission reported on activities of the Planning Commission, highlighting the upcoming Public Hearing for Text Amendments and the joint work session focusing on infill issues. He noted that the Commission is also involved in the Technical Advisory Committee update of the Transportation System Plan. Discussion followed regarding concerns on widths of the city's streets and north/south corridors.

PUBLIC HEARING
a. Keizer Station
Area B Master
Plan

City Attorney Shannon Johnson explained that although the Public Hearing was being postponed, testimony would be allowed with the hearing being continued until October 15. He explained that although notice was given, the draft staff report was not ready for issuance due some issues that needed to be worked through.

Mayor Christopher opened the Public Hearing.

Beth Daniell, Keizer, president of the Gubser Neighborhood Association, voiced concern on behalf of the association regarding the possibility of placement of a gas station on the corner of McLeod and Lockhaven Drive. She noted that she had been given a copy of the code which

prohibits certain uses for Area B including a gas station and she would take this information to the Association meeting on Thursday. Additionally, at this meeting, the featured speaker would be Richard Walsh speaking about Keizer Rapids Park.

Council agreed by consensus to continue the public hearing to October 15.

Mayor Christopher continued the Public Hearing to October 15.

**b. RESOLUTION ~
Forming
Keizer Station
Village
Centers Area
A Street
Lighting
District**

City Manager, Chris Eppley, provided the history of the formation of this Street Lighting Local Improvement District and noted that the Public Hearing was to consider remonstrances to the project and objections to proposed assessments. Staff recommendation is that City Council open a Public Hearing to consider oral objections and written remonstrances to the formation of Keizer Station Village Center Area A Street Lighting Local Improvement District and if there are no objections, close the public hearing and consider adoption of the resolution forming the district and the proposed assessment ordinance.

Mayor Christopher opened the Public Hearing.

With no testimony, Mayor Christopher closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Walsh moved to adopt Resolution R2007 Forming Keizer Station Village Centers Area A Street Lighting Local Improvement District. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Walsh, McKane, Moir, Clark and Taylor (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: None (0)

Position #2 Vacant (1)

**ORDINANCE ~
Spreading
Assessments to
Keizer Station
Village Centers
Area A Street
Lighting District**

Councilor Walsh moved to adopt Ordinance Number 2007 Spreading Assessments to Keizer Station Village Centers Area A Street Lighting Local Improvement District. Councilor Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Walsh, McKane, Moir, Clark and Taylor (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: None (0)

Position #2 Vacant (1)

**ADMINISTRATIVE
ACTION**

**a. ORDER ~ In
the Matter of the
Application
of Lowery
Development**

Council President Walsh chaired the Administrative Action portion of the meeting.

City Attorney, Shannon Johnson, noted that this matter was before Council at the last meeting in the form of a Public Hearing and that Council had directed him to prepare the appropriate order adopting the Hearings Officer's decision. It is before Council for consideration. Public Works Director, Rob Kissler, fielded questions regarding traffic control

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2007-26**

devices in this subdivision. He assured Council that stop signs at two locations would be the most practical and provide necessary safety to the subdivision.

Councilor Taylor moved to adopt an Order In the Matter of the Application of Lowery Development LLC for a Lot Line Adjustment/Subdivision/ Variance; and Ron and Lore Christopher for a Lot Line Adjustment (Case No. 2007-26) (Adoption of Hearings Officer Order). Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Walsh, McKane, Moir, Clark and Taylor (5)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: Christopher (1)

ABSENT: None (0)

Position #2 Vacant (1)

None

**CONSENT
CALENDAR**

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Councilor Moir reported that the Water Wastewater Task Force would be meeting on Thursday, September 20.

Councilor Walsh reported that

- Marion County breakfast had two commissioners in attendance and various issues including the Salem surcharge, urban growth boundary and interchange/roadway issues were discussed.
- Library Task Force adopted the following timeline:
 - October meeting* – present several library options for review with committee deciding upon two options
 - Following October meeting* – bring these options to public meetings such as Rotary and Chamber luncheons
 - November* – consultant offer concept proposal based on information received at public meetings
 - December meeting* – determine what goes on survey
 - Following December meeting* – Present survey questions to Council for approval
 - January* – Do survey
 - February* – Consultant's report and presentation
- He accompanied Darlene Hooley on her boat trip from Salem to Newberg/Dundee recently. He summarized for Council the program that she is promoting.
- The participants and time elapsed were sufficient to break the world record in the Kazoo Band effort so the process is underway for recognition from the Guinness organization. He thanked Uptown Music for their efforts.
- Keizer Rapids Park work groups will meet 9/19; Bikeways 9/19; Gubser Neighborhood Association 9/20; Keizer Rapids Eagle project on 9/22; and League of Oregon Cities on 9/28.

Councilor Taylor invited interested citizens to attend the next Bikeways committee meeting on September 19 at 7 p.m.

Councilor Clark reported that

- Interchange Management Plan group is working to raise public awareness to the need for an additional interchange.
- Mid Willamette Advisory Commission on Transportation (MWACT) recently approved full funding for the Sublimity/Stayton interchange and is working for support of additional funding for transportation improvements.
- She attended the Keizer Fire 9-11 Memorial with Mayor Christopher, and Councilors Moir and McKane.
- KROC Center will have a competition pool.
- Emergency Volunteers Assisting Keizer (EVAK) has a new handout for potential volunteers. She encouraged interested citizens to get involved and reviewed the activities of the organization.
- Transit Center meeting is September 18 at McNary High School.
- Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Studies (SKATS) will meet September 25, 2007.
- Oregon Municipal Planners Organizations Consortium (OMPOC) will meet October 12 and 13 to discuss mutual statewide problems and solutions.

Councilor McKane thanked the Keizer Fire District for their moving 9-11 Memorial, noted that the Parks Board report had already been given and concluded noting that the Traffic Safety Commission will meet on September 27 at 7 p.m.

Student Councilor Alex James had no report but agreed to provide a list of school events to K-23 for publication on Keizer television.

OTHER BUSINESS

- a. New Business**
- b. Old Business**

Police Chief Marc Adams

- Corrected some erroneous information that had been published regarding a missing Keizer youth.
- Explained that the Keizer Rotary had delivered 45 picnic tables to Keizer area schools in partnership with the Keizer Lowes.
- Reminded citizens that John Knox Presbyterian Church is a food bank in partnership with five other churches and in need of food donations.
- Thanked the Keizer Elks for a \$4,000 donation for safety equipment.
- Reported that a new dog had joined the force.

Public Works Director, Rob Kissler, encouraged citizens to participate in the upcoming Keizer Elks Blood Drive (9/18) and reported on the progress of various projects including the Tepper undercrossing, the elevated storage tank and the Chemawa Road improvements. He concluded with an explanation of the process for getting improvements

done at Keizer Rapids Park, invited citizens to the Keizer Rapids Park work groups which meet on the third Wednesday of each month and fielded questions regarding Dearborn improvements.

Councilor Moir reported that the 25th Birthday celebration for the City of Keizer is scheduled for Saturday, October 13, from 11 to 4 and detailed some of the planned activities.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

AGENDA INPUT

September 24, 2007

- 6:15 p.m. City Council Special Session
 - Comparable Cities Review
 - Appointment to City Council Position #2

October 1, 2007

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

October 8, 2007

- 5:45 p.m. City Council Work Session
 - Infill Development Discussion

October 15, 2007

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

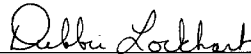
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christopher adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

MAYOR:

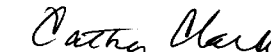
APPROVED:


Lore Christopher

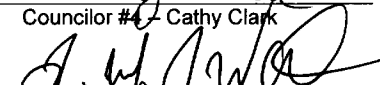

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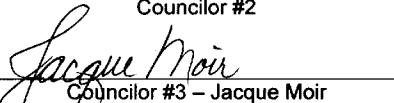
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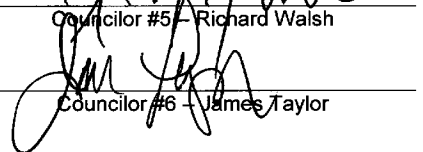

Councilor #1 – David McKane


Councilor #4 – Cathy Clark

~ Vacant ~
Councilor #2


Councilor #5 – Richard Walsh


Councilor #3 – Jacque Moir


Councilor #6 – James Taylor

Minutes approved:

October 1, 2007