

MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 16, 2002
Keizer City Hall
Robert L. Simon Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Present:

Lore Christopher, Mayor
Michel Gaynor, Councilor
Charles E. Lee, Councilor
Jacque Moir, Council President
Judy K. Smith, Councilor
Richard Walsh, Councilor

Absent:

Jerry McGee, Councilor

Staff:

Chris Eppley, City Manager
Susan Gahlsdorf, Finance Director
Rob Kissler, Public Works Director
Maria Meier, Senior Planner
Marc Adams, Chief of Police
Dianne Hunt, Human Resources Director
Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Tracy L. Davis, City Recorder

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Susan Lett, 1355 Harmony Drive, Keizer-spoke in opposition to the Council's suggested changes to the Gubser Traffic Management Plan. She believed the suggestion of aligning Trail with Verda would cause greater traffic along Harmony Drive. Ms. Lett urged the Council to take into consideration the well being and safety of all residents in the area and noted some comments allegedly made by Council President Moir to another resident.

Council President Moir rebutted Ms. Lett's comments noting for the record that she made no comment regarding the condemnation of property or the concern of her neighbors pertaining to the plan.

Debbie Kennedy, 5253 Verda Lane, Keizer-expressed concern regarding information she received pertaining to Verda Lane.

For the benefit of the audience Council President Moir read the motion that was made during the last Council meeting. *"Council President Moir moved a motion to direct staff to come back with the following information*

- 1. Is there adequate right of way for the suggested improvements on Trail Avenue?*
- 2. Explore opportunity to negotiate with property owners along Trail Avenue to allow for a signal at Lockhaven and Trail Avenue.*
- 3. Add four stop signs at Manzanita and Trail Avenue*

Council McGee seconded the motion."

Mayor Christopher explained that no decision had been made at this point and that the motion was for staff to bring back this information to the Council for further review.

To help alleviate citizens concerns City Manager Eppley noted that issues that may effect Verda would go through a public process which the residents would be notified about.

Dave Worthington, 5253 Verda Lane, Keizer-spoke against any future suggestion of Trail and Verda being aligned. He expressed concern regarding the speeding that currently takes place on Verda.

Anne O'Rourke, 1266 Harmony Drive, Keizer-spoke against the suggestion of widening Trail. She urged the Council to reconsider the closure of Trail Avenue, adding stop signs at Manzanita. Ms. O'Rourke also suggested that a three-way stop be placed at Harmony and Trail along with speed bumps on Harmony, and a stop sign at Mandarin and 13th Avenue.

Donna Bosler, 5950 Trail Avenue NE, Keizer-asked the Council for a plat map illustrating the proposed connection of Trail and Verda.

Mayor Christopher reiterated the earlier quoted motion. She stated that no decisions had been made other than

the placement of stop signs at Trail and Manzanita.

Ms. Bosler questioned why Trail Avenue could not be closed. She also expressed an interest in the name of the City Engineer.

Mayor Christopher noted that there were a number of options, which needed to be review prior to the closure of a public street.

City Manager Eppley offered to address Ms. Bosler's questions outside of the Council meeting at her convenience.

Councilor Smith offered to supply copies of the draft Gubser Traffic Management Plan to interested citizens.

Victor Garlock, 1025 Harmony Drive NE, Keizer- expressed thanks to the members of Council that recommended that the draft plan is left open for additional consideration. He questioned the residence of the city's traffic engineer.

City Manager Eppley responded by noting that the traffic engineer's service was a contracted service and that this individual lives in Keizer and Arizona on a rotating basis. Responding to additional questions Mr. Eppley indicated that the traffic engineer had not attended any of the Traffic Safety Commission meetings pertaining to the Gubser Traffic Management Plan.

Public Works Director Rob Kissler answered questions regarding the Transportation System Plan and the designations of Verda and Harmony as currently written in the plan.

Mr. Garlock went on to implore for the use of a temporary barrier on Trail to see if this would alleviate the traffic problems in the area.

City Manager Eppley indicated the proposal which staff accepted incorporated all aspects of the Traffic Safety Commission's recommendations with the exception of the closure of Trail Avenue.

Councilor Smith rebutted City Manager Eppley's comments. She believed that the only portion of the plan, which was accepted, was stated in the earlier motion as read by Council President Moir.

Public Works Director Rob Kissler noted some of the improvements that would take place to assist with alleviating some of the problems with traffic in the neighborhoods.

Councilor's Gaynor, Walsh, and Mayor Christopher expressed appreciation to the citizens for their comments and the overall decision that would need to be made for the benefit of the community.

Councilor Lee clarified his "no" vote pertaining to the motion. He indicated he was not necessarily in favor of closing Trail Avenue, but believed it was important to review all the options available.

For the benefit of the audience Councilor Smith provided a background of the Commissioner's on the Traffic Safety Commission and the work conducted on the proposed plan.

Kimberly Garlock, 1025 Harmony Drive, Keizer- requested that the radar reader board be placed along Harmony.

Chief Adams indicated there was a waiting list for the use of radar reader board and that he would contact the Garlock's regarding when this could be placed on their street.

Rick Weddle, 1245 Harmony Drive, Keizer-questioned why the Traffic Safety Commission was not allowed to speak to the Council at the last meeting outside of the public hearing.

Mayor Christopher responded that the Commission was given the opportunity, but chose not to address the Council during the public hearing.

Mr. Weddle expressed dismay with the Council's decision regarding the plan.

Lowell Gunselman, 911 Chemawa Road, Keizer-
suggested using a physical barrier to urge citizens not
to use Trail/Harmony as a cut-through.

Mayor Christopher thanked everyone for his or her
testimony.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Volunteer of the Quarter Award-Paul Pfnister
City Manager Eppley reported that Paul Pfnister was
selected by the Volunteer Coordinating Committee as
the Volunteer of the Second Quarter for 2002. He noted
Mr. Pfnister's accomplishments, including the
development of a "sand bag training video" and the
organization and development of the Transportation
Assistance Project for use during a disaster.

Mr. Pfnister summarized some of the additional
accomplishments made by EVAK and the importance
of volunteers.

Mayor Christopher presented Mr. Pfnister with the
volunteer award and thanked him for his volunteer
efforts.

Mayor Christopher briefly recessed the meeting while
the Task Force organized their presentation.

b. Water Rate Task Force Final Report and Recommendation

Public Works Director Rob Kissler summarized the staff
report and the attachments provided. He introduced
Karyn Johnson and Jim Seagraves with Black and
Veatch Corporation.

Staff recommended that a public hearing be conducted
on October 7, 2002.

Responding to questions Mr. Kissler summarized the
proposed Capital Improvement Program.

Karyn Johnson provided a Power Point presentation
pertaining to the organization options and proposed

rate structures within the Water Rates and Charges Study.

Ms. Johnson and the Public Works Director answered questions from the Council.

It was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to notice a public hearing on the issue for October 7, 2002.

c. Keizer Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Report-Councilor Walsh

➤ **Karen Lee-Portland General Electric**

Ms. Lee was unable to attend the meeting. Councilor Walsh provided a summary of the meeting regarding Portland possibly taking over PGE. His understanding was that if PGE were run by a governmental agency they would not fall under the limitations set by the PUC. There was still a question about how this would effect Keizer.

Staff and Council agreed to continue to monitor the situation.

d. Keizer Budget Committee Appointments

City Manager Eppley reported that on August 30, 2002 the terms of Mark Caillier, Roy Duncan and Pat Sparks-Tewell expired. Mr. Caillier and Ms. Sparks-Tewell expressed an interest in an additional term. Mr. Duncan requested he not be reconsidered for reappointment.

On September 12, 2002 the Volunteer coordinating Committee reviewed five applications and recommended the appointment of Sheila Martinak to fill the vacancy on the Budget Committee. In addition the Committee recommended the reappointment of Mark Caillier and Pat Sparks-Tewell to the Budget Committee.

It was recommended that the Council accept the recommendation of the Volunteer Coordinating Committee and appoint Sheila Martinak to fill the vacancy and the reappointment of Mark Caillier and Pat Sparks-Tewell.

Council President Moir moved to accept the recommendation of the Volunteer Coordinating

Committee and appoint Sheila Martinak to fill the vacancy on the Budget Committee and to reappoint Mark Caillier and Pat Sparks-Tewell for an additional three-year term. Councilor Gaynor seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Gaynor, Lee, Moir, Smith and Walsh (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: McGee (1)

OTHER BUSINESS

a. New Business

Bicycle Safety Rodeo

Councilor Smith supplied a report on the upcoming Bicycle Safety Rodeo and provided a flyer with pertinent information.

Willamette River Run

Councilor Walsh reported that this effort was successful and would be repeated again next year.

Country Glen Park

Mayor Christopher noted a letter of thanks from the neighborhood association regarding the development of the park in their area.

McNary Golf Tournament

Mayor Christopher noted the purpose of the tournament was to raise funds for the golf team to participate in high school tournaments.

Mid-Willamette Area on Transportation

Mayor Christopher reported that MWACT would be holding a forum to discuss transportation issues on Thursday, October 3, 2002 of which Councilor Smith would be attending.

City Manager's Conference

City Manager Eppley reported he would be in attendance at this conference the first week in October.

Recruitment

Human Resources Director Dianne Hunt reported that recruitment was taking place to fill the vacancy, which opened for the front desk receptionist.

Ad Hoc Committee

Public Works Director Rob Kissler requested that the Council appoint an Ad Hoc committee to deal with the regulations mandated under the Clean Water Act.

Mayor Christopher recommended suggested that the format for the appointments to this committee be the same as before.

City Manager Eppley suggested that an additional Council be part of this committee.

Councilor's Moir, Gaynor and Smith agreed to participate on this committee.

b. Old Business

Gubser Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan-Status Report

Public Works Director Rob Kissler reported that during the last Council meeting staff was directed to investigate the possibility of widening Trail Avenue with full improvements similar to McLeod Lane. Staff had been unable to meet with the affected property owner and had not finalized cost estimates. Mr. Kissler indicated a meeting had been scheduled with the property owner on September 16, 2002. Additional information would be provided during the October 7, 2002 City Council meeting.

Qwest

City Attorney Shannon Johnson supplied a brief update in the Qwest case and offered to supply a copy of the submitted report to the Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

a. Text Amendment Case No. 02-21 (Private Streets)

Planning Director Maria Meier reported on March 18, 2002 that Council initiated a text amendment review to repeal Section 2.311.03H and any other references that

allow the development of private streets. Staff further identified proposed deletions and language recommendation for the Planning Commission to consider as part of a endorsement to the Council.

Mrs. Meier indicated that staff described to the Commission the Council's intent to eliminate private streets in future construction. The Commission's recommendation included to disallow private streets for standard developments, however to allow existing private streets to be extended at the same width as existing on any connecting private street.

Staff recommended that the Council consider the Planning Commission's recommendation and to deliberate the issue.

Planning Director Meier responded to questions from the Council pertaining to Development Code Standards regarding private streets.

Councilor Walsh spoke in favor of the recommendation made by the Planning Commission.

Councilor Smith spoke in opposition to the recommendation expressing concern that extending the use of private streets would not eliminate the problems seen with this type of development.

City Attorney Johnson interjected that the Planning Commission's reason behind allowing the extension of a PUD would allow for contiguous development without altering a street standard within a small development that had no additional access to a public street.

Planning Director Meier further clarified the Commission's intention.

Councilor Walsh moved a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation for Text Amendment Case No. 02-21; Private Streets. Councilor Gaynor seconded the motion.

The motion passed as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR

AYES: Christopher, Gaynor, Lee, Moir, Smith and Walsh (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: McGee (1)

- a. RESOLUTION-Initiating Rickman Crossing Street Lighting District
- b. RESOLUTION-Amending Council Procedures to Change City Council Meeting Agenda
- c. RESOLUTION-Ratifying Referred Charter Amendment and Explanatory Statement Language
- d. Approval of August 19, 2002 Regular Session Minutes

Council President Moir pulled item "d" from the Consent Calendar.

Council President Moir moved for approval of items "a", "b" and "c" on the Consent Calendar. Councilor Walsh seconded the motion.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Gaynor, Lee, Moir, Smith and Walsh (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: McGee (1)

Council President Moir chose to abstain from voting on item "d" inasmuch as she was not in attendance at the meeting.

Councilor Walsh moved for approval of item "d" on the Consent Calendar. Councilor Gaynor seconded the motion.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Christopher, Gaynor, Lee, ~~McGee~~, Smith and Walsh (5)

*Corrected
10/22/02 CP*

NAYS: None (0)
ABSTENTIONS: Moir (1)
ABSENT: McGee (1)

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS**

None

AGENDA INPUT

October 7, 2002

7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

- False Alarm Ordinance Amendments
- River Road Shell Liquor License Application Public Hearing
- Chemawa Activity Center/Keizer Station Plan-Text Amendment/Comprehensive Plan Change/zone Change Case No. 01-50
- Staff recommendation regarding Gubser Traffic Plan

October 14, 2002

5:30 p.m. Budget Committee Work Session

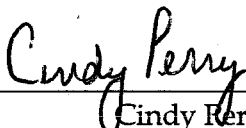
October 21, 2002

7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

Mayor Christopher noted the agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christopher adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m.



Cindy Perry
Recording Secretary

APPROVED:
MAYOR:

Lore Christopher

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Judy K. Smith
Councilor #1 - Judy K. Smith

Jacque Moir
Councilor #4 - Jacque Moir

Michel C. Gaynor
Councilor #2 - Michel Gaynor

Richard Walsh
Councilor #5 - Richard Walsh

Charles E. Lee
Councilor #3 - Charles E. Lee

ABSENT
Councilor #6 - Jerry McGee

Minutes approved:

October 21, 2002