



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, August 17, 2009
Keizer City Hall Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher called the regular meeting to order at 7:16 pm. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Present:

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

Staff:

Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Chris Eppley, City Manager
Kevin Watson, Assistant to the City Manager
Rob Kissler, Public Works
Nate Brown, Community Development
Tim Wood, Finance Department
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Christopher led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Jeanne Bond-Esser, Keizer, reported that

- The Parks Advisory Board had discussed the fireworks policy following a request from a local resident to put on a display. Following the discussion and input from the Fire District, however, the Board agreed to take no action. Rob Kissler provided clarification that currently fireworks are prohibited and that the City would not encourage fireworks unless they were done by a professional with appropriate licensing and bonding in place. He noted that the ordinance prohibits fireworks except for commercial displays approved by Council. Lengthy discussion followed.
- A Parks Board "Recognition Board" was found during the move to the new facility. When criteria for recognition and name placement on the board have been determined, the Parks Board members along with Bill Lawyer will try to reconstruct the last 10 years and bring it up to date.
- The Parks Foundation raised more money for the dog park at RiverFair and recognized outstanding contributions through the "Sparkle Award" given to Diane Johnson, Integrity First Financial and the Keizer Times. Mayor Christopher urged the placement of additional parking and relocation of gates at the dog park to promote even usage and wear. Additional discussion took place regarding the covered shelters and volunteer opportunities.

PUBLIC HEARING
a. RESOLUTION –
Certification of
Street Lighting
Districts

City Manager Chris Eppley explained that every year the City fronts the cost for supplying electricity to lighting districts and at the end of the year calculates those costs and provides certification to the County who collects the costs via the tax rolls. This resolution certifies the costs to those lighting districts. Assistant Controller Tim Wood explained that this assessment is approximately 3% greater than last year: 2% for new street lighting districts (5 new ones) and 1% due to allowance for uncollectible accounts.

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

Councilor Taylor moved to adopt Resolution – Certification of Lighting District Assessments. 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

A. RESOLUTION – Certification of Delinquent Sewer Accounts

B. RESOLUTION – Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Agreement through Auto Leasing Specialties, LLC for Police Motorcycles

C. Change of Ownership – 7-11 Liquor License (4380 River Road N)

Councilor Taylor moved to accept the Consent Calendar. Councilor Walsh 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)

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Councilor Clark thanked Officer Olafson for allowing her to accompany him on National Night Out noting that they visited a variety of neighborhoods. She reported that

- Transit leaders had toured the Del Web Facility housing the maintenance facilities and found it very informative.
- City/Fire luncheon proved to be a good opportunity to communicate on key issues and to build a good relationship.
- Cummings Elementary School now has a safe route to school thanks to Erick Peterson and his Scout Troop and efforts of the School District.
- Commissioners Breakfast participants discussed fallout from legislation passed this session and dealing with some of the Bills.
- Transit Community leaders will discuss revenues at their next meeting.
- Emergency Volunteers Assisting Keizer (EVAK) Recognition event will

be a dinner recognizing hundreds of volunteers.

- K-23 Advisory Committee will be meeting on Monday, August 24.

Councilor McKane reported that the August Traffic Safety Commission meeting had been cancelled.

Councilor Caillier reminded Council of the upcoming Water Wastewater Task Force meeting; EVAK anniversary celebration; Claggett Creek Watershed meeting and the Planning Commission meeting.

Councilor Taylor reported that the last free concert of the season was coming up and would be sponsored by Walsh & Associates.

Councilor Walsh reported that

- He had participated in the sesquicentennial river float with Troop 121 of Keizer.
- The Bridge Oversight Committee met and focused on the budget. Necessary funds have been provided by ODOT so the Environmental Impact Study will be able to finish. He encouraged everyone to give thought to finding a way to fund the project which will be hundreds of millions of dollars.
- National Night Out was a success. He thanked all who participated.

Councilor Smith reported that the winners of the stormwater poster contest were announced at RiverFair and they were interviewed by the newspaper. The director of the Boys & Girls Club attended the function as well. He reminded everyone of the upcoming Keizer Urban Renewal Board meeting.

Mayor Christopher extended an invitation to the upcoming Town Hall meeting on August 27 at the Fire Station with Representative Thatcher and Senator George.

OTHER BUSINESS

a. New Business or Old Business Issues

Public Works Director Rob Kisser reported that the SKATS Technical Advisory Group has come up with potentially additional funding for the American Reinvestment Act and Keizer may get a portion of that. A possible project would be resurfacing of Verda Lane from Chemawa to Dearborn and continuation of the paving on Dearborn to the Verda intersection. Nate Brown interjected that the extra funding became available because Turner could not meet all the federal requirements so that funding sent back and will be split between Marion County and the City of Keizer. Mr. Kissler added that there was some savings on the actual bidding process as well. Work will be done during the next construction season.

Community Development Director Nate Brown requested direction from Council regarding accepting credit card applications for payment of building permits. He noted that this would incur additional costs and questioned if those costs should be absorbed or if the administrative portion of the fees should be raised. He noted that at Marion County 40% of applicants are paying with credit cards. His department is still doing research into charging a fee to those using credit cards to cover the

additional cost. Discussion followed regarding alternatives such as ACH transactions with Council requesting that the department do additional research.

Assistant to the City Manager, Kevin Watson, reported that the Statue Task Force would be traveling to Olympia on September 8 to view the clay statue. He also noted that he had met with the Keizer Youth Sports Association after meeting with the Keizer Little League group and should have a synopsis report in the next few days. He voiced optimism that the meetings would result in procedures that would strengthen the partnership.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS**

None

AGENDA INPUT

September 8, 2009 (Tuesday)

7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

September 14, 2009

5:45 p.m. City Council Work Session

➤ City of Keizer Parks Tour

September 21, 2009

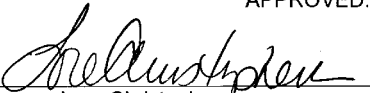
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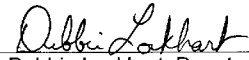
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christopher adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

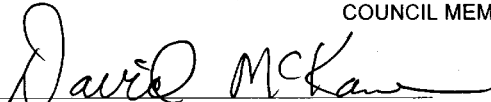
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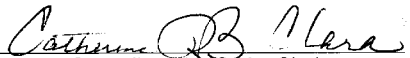
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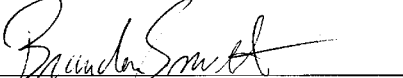

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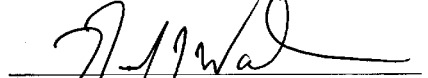

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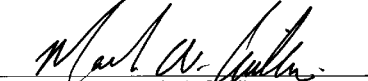
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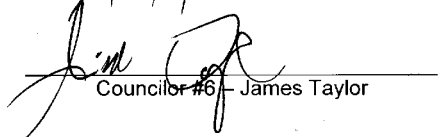

Councilor #1 – David McKane


Councilor #4 – Cathy Clark


Councilor #2 – Brandon Smith


Councilor #5 – Richard Walsh


Councilor #3 – Mark Caillier


Councilor #6 – James Taylor

Minutes approved:

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