

CITY OF CENTRAL POINT

Oregon

City Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 11, 2022

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Hank Williams

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Hank Williams	Mayor	Present	
Neil Olsen	Ward I	Present	
Kelley Johnson	Ward II	Present	
Melody Thueson	Ward III	Present	
Tanea Browning	Ward IV	Present	
Rob Hernandez	At Large	Present	
Michael Parsons	At Large	Present	

Also present were City Manager Chris Clayton, City Attorney Sydnee Dreyer; Finance Director Steve Weber; Planning Director Stephanie Holtey; Police Captain Scott Logue; Parks and Public Works Director Matt Samitore (remote) and Senior Accountant Rachel Neuenschwander.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tanea Browning, Ward IV
SECONDER:	Kelley Johnson, Ward II
AYES:	Williams, Olsen, Johnson, Thueson, Browning, Hernandez, Parsons

A. Approval of July 14, 2022 City Council Minutes

Minutes were approved with the following changes, Neil Olsen's name was misspelled, and he did not say that he won the Freedom Run.

VI. BUSINESS

A. Discussion Regarding Proposed Amendments to Chronic Nuisance Ordinance

City Attorney Sydnee Dreyer discussed sections of the chronic nuisance ordinance and recommended changes, and is seeking the direction of the Council as to how they would like to proceed.

Council agreed that making changes to simplify the process for easy understanding for council, staff and the public.

RESULT: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

B. Bear Creek Greenway Fire Area Master Plan Discussion

Dave Jacobs presented to the Council the Bear Creek Greenway Fire Area Master Plan Update. Mr. Jacobs gave an overview of the Master Plan process and how the Federal Emergency Manage Agency Wildlife Recovery Funds are being spent.

RESULT: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

C. League of Oregon Cities 2023 Legislative Priorities

City Manager Chris Clayton Presented the League of Oregon Cities 2023 Legislative Priorities.

Council was in agreement on these being the top priorities:

- Full Funding and Alignment for State Land Use Initiatives
- Local Funding to Address Homelessness
- Protecting Public Employees and Officials
- Address Measure 110 Shortcomings
- Property Tax Reform
- Infrastructure Funding to Support Needed Housing
- Community Resiliency and Wildfire Planning
- Cyber Security and Privacy
- Investment in Community Climate Planning Resources

RESULT: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

D. Planning Commission Report

The Central Point Planning Commission met at their regular meeting on August 2, 2022. There were two information (2) items on the agenda. The first was an update on State Transportation Planning Rule prepared as part of the Climate Friendly & Equitable Communities rulemaking. The second item was an introduction to the Transportation System Plan Amendment currently underway.

RESULT: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

E. Public Works Operations Center Final Accounting

Finance Director Steve Weber presented the breakdown of costs for the Public Works Operation Center accounting. The total costs including land, buildings, furniture and equipment totaled \$8,617,036.91, the Non-operating resources used to cover the project totaled \$8,001,300.00. In order to make up the difference each of the five operational funds, Parks, Recreation, Water, Storm Water and Streets are taking items out of their operational budgets. The biggest items are the delay of S Haskell waterline project, which will coincide with the street extension proposed for next year's budget, the Hopkins water main and lateral reconfiguration project, a small park project and some street paving that was scheduled for next May.

RESULT: FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

VII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hank Williams reported that:

- He attended a meeting with Congressman Cliff Bentz before his Town hall meeting at the fairgrounds.
- He attended the DARE car show.
- He has a table at the Mayors United Dinner Friday October 7th.

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Chris Clayton reported that:

- He and Dave Jacobs attended a Senior Center Lunch they had about 25 people attending, the Thrift Shop has been open and bringing in \$1000 a month.
- Jewett Storm drain project with delays of utilities in the way, Lumen formally Centurylink is in the process of relocating there infrastructure.
- Measure 114 regarding Local Law Enforcement issuing permits for people to purchase firearms - Captain Logue is going to be giving a presentation at the August 25th meeting.
- Pathway Enterprises has contacted the City about leasing space at the old Public Works facility.
- DARE Cruise was successful.
- There is an Executive Session tonight.

IX. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Melody Thueson reported that:

- She thanked the Police Department for helping with some issues at Don Jones Park
- She met with the HOA president of Bluegrass Downs regarding the Wet Land Park, and will be meeting with Matt Samitore on this issue.

Council Member Mike Parsons reported that:

- He attended the Council Study Session at The Navigation Center.
- He attended the Rogue Valley Sewer Services Board Directors meeting and luncheon.
- He assisted with the Central Point Police Department DARE Day Show & Shine, and assisted with the CPPD Dare Cruise throughout Downtown Central Point. Both of these events were fundraisers to help finance some of the expenses for the D.A.R.E. Program for the 5th grade students in Central Point.
- He attended the Jackson County Fires Dist. 3 Civil Service Commission meeting and was seated as a voted commissioner.

Council Member Rob Hernandez reported that:

- He attended the Council Study Session at The Navigation Center.
- He attended his first Airport Advisory Committee meeting.
- He attended the School District 6 bond over site committee meeting

Council Member Tanea Browning reported that:

- She attended the Water Commission meeting.
- Met with Rogue Valley Workforce Board Executive regarding future visions and training for the workforce.
- She testified in front of the Association of Oregon Counties regarding Measure 110.
- She presented to virtual group for civic involvement for the rural communities.
- She participated in the Envision Bear Creek Greenway steering committee meetings.
- She attended the Study Session at the Navigation Center.

Council Member Kelly Johnson reported that she attended the Study Session at the Navigation Center.

Council Member Neil Olsen reported that:

- He attended the Study Session at the Navigation Center
- He attended the Planning Commission meeting.

X. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Planning Director Stephanie Holtey reported that:

- They are working on the annexation for Bear Creek Greenway properties.
- They have entered into a contract with Pacific Habitat Services for an inventory on the wetland and riparian that is needed to update the environmental elements so that we can annex properties from the urban growth boundaries.

Finance Director Steve Weber reported that he is waiting to hear from the auditors for an update on fiscal year 20/21 audit, the partner in charge is on vacation this week and he has been working on getting items for the auditors that it is still progressing.

Captain Scott Logue reported that:

- DARE Cruise and Show and Shine was told the held its self-sufficiency.
- Promotional Process of next Lieutenant - Detective Abbot will start that next week.

- Application process for a Police Support Specialist to fill the vacancy of Debby Miller who is retiring this month.

Jackson County Commissioner Dave Dotterer reported that:

- The County approved a UGB expansion with Phoenix.
- The Commissioners signed off on two important letters, one was to City of Talent over the Urban Renewal Plan and they signed off on a letter to the Governor on the Wildfire Risk map.

City Manager Chris Clayton stated there will be an Executive Session tonight under ORS 192.660(2)(a) to discuss employment of a public officer.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer.

Rob Hernandez moved to adjourn to Executive Session, Kelley Johnson seconded and the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 8:11 p.m.

Mr. Clayton stated that no action will be taken after the Executive Session and the regular meeting will adjourn as soon as the session adjourns.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

No further action was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

The foregoing minutes of the August 11, 2022, Council meeting were approved by the City Council at its meeting of August 25, 2022.

Dated: 8/25/22


Mayor Hank Williams

ATTEST


City Recorder