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AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes February 27, 2017

Mayor Baugh called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM in the Chester Bridges Memorial Community Center, 555 Main Street, Aumsville, Oregon.

Council present were Mayor Robert Baugh, Jr., Councilors Gabe Clayton, Kevin Crawford, Brian Czarnik, Trina Lee, Della Seney, and Lorie Walters. City Administrator Ron Harding (CA Harding), Public Works Director Steve Oslie (PW Oslie) and Administrative Assistant Lora Hofmann (AA Hofmann) were also present.

PRESENTATIONS: "Life Cycle of Sewer System" – PW Director Oslie presented a power point about the various stages of sewer treatment. 99.8% of the intake is water, the other .2% is what they work to treat and break down. They aerate the water because oxygen increases the bacteria that breaks down the waste. Sunlight also helps the bacteria grow faster. He talked about how they "screen" out some of the larger "flushables" that can plug up/clog the system. He said that geese add to the problem because of the E.coli they leave behind, causing them to have to add more chlorine. He talked about the sludge in the first two ponds – there are about 24 inches he estimated. They talked about the steps that have to be taken to remove the sludge – which can't get too deep or the ponds effectiveness is diminished. There was discussion of the cost to the city to do this. PW creates its own chlorine with electricity, salt, and water. PW Director Oslie explained how grease can also be a problem. He also talked about the "flushable wipes" that were clogging their system every few days until they recently upgraded some of their equipment. Flushable wipes do not decompose very well at all.

Currently the sewer testing area is also the Public Works office and break area. Health and safety for staff was discussed and the plan to expand the building by adding an office and break area on the opposite end of the building. This will also give more room for the lab area. The chlorine process was discussed - how the chlorinated water is treated and how long the water is held before it is released. A new chlorine contact chamber is needed. Effluent (the cleaned water) is released two ways; into Beaver Creek and is monitored by DEQ, and irrigated out on 75 acres that is leased to a local farmer. They can't grow food crops on the acreage. Water is held in ponds until it can be "irrigated" or discharged into Beaver Creek. He provided the goals/needs for the near and far future. He mentioned the need for replacement of lines on Church and Cleveland between 1st and 5th. PW Director Oslie shared the estimated costs associated with the needed equipment/upgrades. Councilor Czarnik asked about where the storm water is discharged. Storm water is not monitored.

CONSENT AGENDA: Review of Bills: Feb. 15 through Feb. 21, 2017 Check Registers and approval of Feb. 13, 2017 Aumsville City Council Meeting Minutes. Councilor Baugh said there

was a small error. The visitors were from Troop 476, not 76. <u>Councilor Crawford made a</u> motion to approve the consent agenda with the small change to the minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were Councilors Clayton, Crawford, Czarnik, Lee, Seney, Walters and Mayor Baugh. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Council was given a handout that compares the revenue and expenditures compared to the budget estimations. CA Harding explained the few line items that were above budget in expenditures.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: CA Harding reported the following:

CIS conference - He attended the conference where he heard discussion on recreational immunity, risk management from internal and external sources, and legislative bills. There are two groups that are on each side of the recreational immunity issue. Some cities have closed their parks because of the uncertainties.

Cherriots board presentation - He is a member of the Special Transportation Funding Advisory Committee (STFAC) and they made recommendations for the STF and 5310 funding. The board approved the STF recommendations

Fusion 22 - an event throughout Santiam Canyon Communities the weekend of the total eclipse. He reported that staff has been attending these meeting even though Aumsville will only focus on an internal event for the day of the eclipse. Riverview Bank has agreed to donate viewing glasses to hand out and the city is planning to open Mill Creek Park as a community viewing area. Councilor Czarnik has also been attending all of the meetings and he gave a bit more information about the events planned in the various canyon cities.

Hazard mitigation plan update – CA Harding, PW Dir Oslie, Chief Schmitz, Sgt. Flowers and Fire Chief Isaac met with representatives from Marion County emergency management late last year to discuss critical infrastructure and hazard mitigation plans. The city shared some of their emergency plan updates and ideas; many of those were incorporated into the county's multi-jurisdictional mitigation plans. CA Harding went over the suggestions, including creating a vulnerable person list/program. This is at the draft phase and comments have been requested. Once those comments are incorporated, it will be brought back for council to approve.

Emergency management board - Staff would like to officially form an Emergency Management (EM) Operations Board. This will be the group going forward that would be the EM working group, providing recommendations for changes to the EMP, coordinating communication with the fire district, and possibly reaching out to other cities. Councilor Czarnik said he would be interested in being on the board. Consensus of council was to "plow ahead."

PARC Program update - United Way has met with the City and PARC members and has agreed to fund the grant program for another year. They want the program to gather and develop specific reports as a condition of the funding, and want to expand the programs to address second generational family levels, including health options such as Oregon Health Plan.

Marijuana code update - Public notices have gone out to residents and a planning commission hearing has been scheduled for Mar. 2nd. This will go before Council on March 13th.

Richie Way Apartments – 172 units have been planned and applications have been submitted.

Budget Calendar - was given to council and the pending appointment for an opening of the budget committee was discussed.

Legislative Committee Concept 1593 – There is a group of folks that are trying to propose a new bill that will limit discharges and rain water entering creeks and rivers. They want to have the ability to approve any future development.

Steve brought up the brickwork at the Historical Society building and it has been disintegrating and leaking. The cost of grouting the building is \$25,000. Also the top layer of bricks at the new city hall/police complex building is loose and there is an estimated repair cost of \$15,000. Dalke Construction, the original contractor, is going to come out and look at the bricks. There was discussion of whether there is a warranty that might cover the cost of repairs.

MAYOR & COUNCILORS REPORTS – Mayor Baugh said he would like to finish the second meeting of the month by no later than 9:00 or 9:30 pm. There was then discussion about how the agenda will be set up for the second meeting (Visioning Meeting). CA Harding asked if the council still wants to have the city administrator report at the second meeting and council consensus was to continue to receive twice a month reports from the city administrator. Mayor Baugh shared information that Governor Brown did not actually sign an executive order saying that Oregon is a sanctuary state. What was said in public does not match the signed document. Mayors have been asked to share this with their councils. There was a short discussion about using the second meeting in March to complete the goal setting started with the Saturday council retreat.

Mayor Baugh asked PW Director Oslie if the city sought funding for the needed water improvements, if they could be completed in 2 years. PW Director Oslie said that it would be about 2-3 years because of the time needed to plan the projects. CA Harding shared information about what staff and the city engineer is investigating to make sure that the numbers (costs) are correct. The city wants to have confidence that they are going to complete the projects with the amount of money requested. They want to identify the high priority projects. Deferred maintenance is adding to the costs because operation and maintenance is not being addressed in a timely manner. CA Harding talked about rate increases and what is going to be best for the city at the lowest costs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 PM without objection.

Robert W. Baugh, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Ron Harding, City Administrator