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AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Minutes – October 26, 2020

Mayor Clevenger called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM via Zoom Conferencing. Council present was: Mayor Derek Clevenger, Nico Casarez, Angelica Ceja (arrived 7:11 PM), Doug Ecclestone, Larry Purdy, and Della Seney. Council absent: Ryan Bambrick. City Administrator Ron Harding (CA Harding), City Clerk Colleen Rogers (CC Rogers) were also present via Zoom. The meeting was video recorded to be released later.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Councilor Casarez moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Ecclestone seconded. Motion APPROVED 5-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

VISITORS: There were five online attendees. Login information was provided for members of the community to listen to the discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA: Council reviewed the October 12, 2020 Council meeting minutes. Councilor Casarez moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilor Ecclestone seconded. Motion APPROVED 5-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

PUBLIC HEARING: Municipal Code Ordinance Update Chapters 1 & 3

Mayor Clevenger opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 PM and called for CA Harding to present the staff report. He explained that it has been a two-year process reviewing the city's ordinances. Systematically going through each chapter having legal reviews conducted and making sure they are written to match how we are currently utilizing them. In August we approved a comprehensive update to the Development Code. Since then, Chapters 1 and 3 were brought to Council at the October 12th meeting where Council gave input for suggested changes. These changes are reflected in the ordinances to be approved by Council.

CA Harding went through each ordinance explaining the changes that have been made.

- Ordinance No. 671 regarding the Aumsville Planning Commission (APC):
 - Repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 354.
 - Removed the Mayor as an APC member.
 - Changed the authority to appoint the APC support staff over to the city administrator rather than the APC.
 - Cleaned up the language to be more readable and understandable.

- Ordinance No. 672 Repeals Ordinance No. 362. Regarding the Aumsville Park and Recreation Commission (PARC). Our approach to recreation planning has changed. We are in affect no longer utilizing the ordinance.
- Ordinance No. 673 Repeals Ordinance No. 476 regarding the Aumsville Traffic and Safety Commission. This commission has not been utilized for a long time. If there is a need in the future, it can be recreated through Council resolution.
- Ordinance No. 674 regarding Municipal Sewer and Water Liens
 - Repeals Ordinance No. 365.
 - Current Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) gives cities this authority and makes this ordinance is unnecessary.
- Ordinance No. 675 Repeals Ordinance No. 543 regarding the Aumsville Skate Park Committee. The committee was created when the skate park project was in the process and is no longer active.
- Ordinance No. 676 Repeals Ordinance No. 544 regarding Property Owner Land Claims (Measure 37 Claims). This Ordinance was made null and void by the passing of Ballot Measure 37.
- Ordinance No. 677 regarding Public Contracting Regulations
 - Repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 559.
 - Legal review rewrite to bring us up to date with state law regulating public contracting.
 - Changes to spending authority threshold.
- Ordinance No. 678 regarding System Development Charges
 - Repeals and Replaces Ordinance No. 387.
 - Mostly wordsmithing to align the ordinance with our City Charter.
- Ordinance No. 679 regarding Water Rates and Regulations
 - Repeals and Replaces Ordinance No. 401.
 - Removed water rates from the ordinance. Rates will be set by resolution.
 - No changes to the Senior discount program.
 - Removed all lien language and put a provision in for property owners to sign a contract stating they would be responsible for any water and sewer use at that property. This would eliminate the water and sewer deposit that we currently charge.
- Ordinance No. 680 regarding Sewer Use Charges
 - Repeals and Replaces Ordinance No. 402.
 - Mirrored changes to the Water Regulations that regard Sewer Regulations.
- Ordinance No. 681 regarding Sewer Regulations
 - Repeals and Replaces Ordinance No. 570.
 - Rewritten by the city attorney with clearer language and legal updates.

CA Harding asked Council for any question or comments. He also said red line and clean copies of the ordinances are available online or at city hall for the community to view.

There were no Public Comment regarding the Public Hearing.

Mayor Clevenger closed the Public Hearing at 7:27 PM

Council Deliberation: There was no Council deliberation or discussion.

Council Decision:

Councilor Casarez moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 671 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CITY PLANNING COMMISSION; PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND DUTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 354. Councilor Seney seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Seney moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 672 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 362, WHICH ESTABLISHED A PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF AUMSVILLE. Councilor Purdy seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Casarez moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 673 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 476, WHICH ESTABLISHED AN AUMSVILLE TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMISSION. Councilor Ceja seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Seney moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 674 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 365, WHICH PROVIDES FOR MUNICIPAL SEWER AND WATER SERVICE FEES, SIDEWALK, CURBS, SIDESTRIPS, AND STREET ASSESSMENTS TO BECOME LEINS. Councilor Ecclestone seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Purdy moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 675 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 543, WHICH PROVIDED FOR APPOINTMENT OF AN AUMSVILLE SKATEPARK COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF AUMSVILLE, OREGON Councilor Seney seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Ecclestone moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 676 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 544, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AUMSVILLE, OREGON, REGARDING CLAIMS FOR JUST COMPENSATION ARISING OUT OF THE ENACTMENT OF A STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE; MAKING CERTAIN PROVISION THEREFORE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Councilor Purdy seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Seney moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 677 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF AUMSVILLE PUBLIC CONTRACTING REGULATIONS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 559. Councilor Ceja

seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Purdy moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 678 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT CHARGE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR WATER SUPPLY, TREATMENT, TRANSMISSION, AND DISTRIBUTION; WASTEWATER COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL; STORM DRAINAGE, INCLUDING FLOOD CONTROL; STREETS; AND PARKS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 387. Councilor Seney seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Casarez moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 679 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WATER REGULATIONS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 401 Councilor Ecclestone seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Casarez moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance No. 680 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER REGULATIONS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 402 Councilor Ecclestone seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

Councilor Seney moved to approve the first reading by title only of Ordinance NO. 681 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR USE OF THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 570 Councilor Casarez seconded. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Ecclestone, Purdy, Seney, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: COVID-19: CA Harding updated Council on the COVID-19 epidemic. The Aumsville zip code area had a rise and we are now at 52 positive cases since the beginning of the outbreak. He stated that it seems like the city is holding its own and the increases we've seen are proportionate to our population compared to what we've seen in other cities our size. We will continue to take precautions.

CA Harding commented that there is a lot of commercial construction going on in town. We are getting a new business in the vacant half of the grocery store, a new fueling station on Main St., and there is street and parking lot work being done at Bethel Baptist Church on Cleveland. He also stated that there are several other possible things in the permitting process.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES: Councilor Casarez gave a shout out to Mayor Clevenger, Councilor Ecclestone, and Councilor Ceja, as well as the many volunteers and sponsors that helped to make the recent fundraiser for the victims of the Santiam Canyon Fires a success. They were able to raise over \$5000 in relief funds.

Rachel S. asked what the status is for the removal of the yellow blinking light at 11th and Main. CA Harding stated that he would check on the project schedule and let her know.

Scott Lee asked about the stop sign on Del Mar Dr. and if it would ever be removed. CA Harding explained that there are several agencies involved in making that decision. It has been a very contentious issue regarding whether to abandon the railway or reactivate the line. If they reactivate it, they want the city to pay for the upgrades to the safety crossings which could be very expensive. Unless the line is officially abandoned, the stop sign will most likely stay in place.

Dayadevi Heart reported some bad dips in the road near the Del Mar Dr. and 1st St. intersection and asked if someone could check it. CA Harding stated that our engineer and Public Works staff just completed an extensive review of this area. We will be looking at partial redesign of several intersections and this is one of those. He will bring the report to Council once it is completed.

Councilor Casarez asked for an example of the cost of the railroad crossing upgrades that would have to be done if the railroad line is reactivated. CA Harding explained that ODOT Rail Division is requiring crossing arms at three locations in the city; Mill Cr. Rd, 1st St., and Del Mar Dr. He stated that it could be in excess of \$1.5 million to do all three crossings and a total project cost with the intersection improvement could be as high as 7 million dollars but developing a preliminary design will help us determine a good estimated cost.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Mayor Clevenger updated Council on his schedule. He commented that he should be able to join the next meeting by zoom and will do the best he can to stay in touch.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNED WITHOUT PREJUDICE AT 8:02 PM



Della Seney, Mayor Pro-tem



Ron Harding, City Administrator