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# **AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

November 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Pro-tem Angelica Ceja called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Present in-person were Councilors Angelica Ceja, Scott Lee, Della Seney, and Walter Wick. Staff present: City Administrator (CA) Ron Harding, and Support Specialist Kirsti Pizzuto. Council via Zoom: Nico Casarez. Council absent: Mayor Clevenger. The meeting was video recorded to be released later.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** CA Harding stated that staff are requesting an amendment to the agenda. They are asking to postpone the Public Hearing to amend ORD No. 705, the Development Ordinance, due to November 8, 2022 election results. Both measures that were being accommodated in this amendment did not pass, therefore, the amendments are not necessary at this time. Councilor Seney moved to approve the agenda with the deletion of agenda item #4 Public Hearing, Amendment to Aumsville Development Ordinance No. 705 as requested by staff. Councilor Wick seconded the motion. <u>Motion APPROVED 5-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, and Wick. No: None.)</u>

**VISITORS:** There were no in-person visitors and no online attendees. There was no public comment.

### **PRESENTATION:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Councilor Casarez moved to approve the October 10, 2022 city council meeting minutes as presented. Councilor Lee seconded the motion. <u>Motion APPROVED 5-0:</u> (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, and Wick. No: None.)

**PUBLIC HEARING: CANCELLED** (see agenda amendment above)

**OLD BUSINESS: None** 

### **NEW BUSINESS: None**

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** CA Harding reported that we are in full swing Holiday mode. Staff has been working on the Toy Drive, Santa Visit, and Christmas in the Park preparations, and it should be a great holiday season of events. The Aumsville Exchange Club

members are planning to do their Children's Christmas Store event again this year on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Veterans Memorial project is moving along. We are just waiting on the delivery of the statues to be able to finish. The electronic reader board installation was delayed by issues with permitting. It has all been worked out and we should be able to install very soon.

The Community Center exterior work has begun. The two windows on the south end of the building have been replaced and installation of brickwork is in process. CA Harding stated that these upgrades were part of the original proposed updates that we are finally able to complete.

Councilor Casarez asked CA Harding if he has had any communication from the school district whether they have done anything toward mitigating the situation with the bus stop at Windemere Meadows. He stated that there was talk that they might be moving the location of the stop farther into the park to avoid students congregating at the street. CA Harding stated that he has not heard from the district specifically about this issue. He will bring it up at his next meeting with them and will report back to Council.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES**: Councilor Seney invited fellow council members to join her on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 5pm – 7:30pm for the East Side Park Open House. She stated that the proposed designs will be displayed in large format and the committee would love the council's input. There will be an online survey where the community can submit their ideas as well. CA Harding gave some details on the new park designs.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Council discussed the second meetings of November and December. After a brief discussion Councilor Lee moved to approve cancelling the November 28<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. Councilor Casarez seconded the motion. <u>Motion APPROVED 5-</u> <u>0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, and Wick. No: None.)</u>

Councilor Casarez inquired about having a joint meeting at the December meeting with the Aumsville Planning Commission. CA Harding stated that in the past we have hosted a potluck with Council and Planning Commissioners. Consensus was for staff to add the potluck to the December 12, 2022 Council Agenda for 6:00pm – 7:00pm. Staff will get an invitation out to the Planning Commission.

# **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

Mayor Pro-tem Ceja adjourned the meeting without prejudice at 7:21 PM.

Ron Harding, City Administrator

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**October 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes** 

Mayor Clevenger called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Present in-person were Councilors Angelica Ceja, Della Seney, Walter Wick, and Mayor Clevenger. Staff present: City Administrator (CA) Ron Harding, and City Clerk Colleen Rogers. Council via Zoom: Nico Casarez and Scott Lee. Council absent: None. The meeting was video recorded to be released later.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** Mayor Clevenger requested to move New Business Items 6A & B up to Item 3 and shift the balance of items down one. The mayor called for a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Seney moved to approve the agenda as amended by Mayor Clevenger. Councilor Wick seconded the motion. <u>Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, Wick, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)</u>

**VISITORS:** There were 17 in-person visitors and no online attendees. There was no public comment.

**NEW BUSINESS**: Council reviewed Resolution No. 13-22 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO DISTRIBUTE FUNDS DONATED AND RAISED BY THE CORN FESTIVAL EVENT TO LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS PROVIDING SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF AUMSVILLE SERVICE AREA. CA Harding explained that the Corn Festival was a great success and raised approximately \$18,000 in profit after expenses. The city wishes to use the funds to support community groups that offer services within the Aumsville area. The list of groups and distribution amounts were presented at the September 26, 2022 meeting for Council review. There was no discussion and Mayor Clevenger called for a motion. Councilor Seney moved to approve Resolution No. 13-22 as presented by staff. Councilor Wick seconded the motion. Motion APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, Wick, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)

# **PRESENTATION: Distribution of Corn Festival Funds**

Representatives from the Aumsville Historical Society, Cascade School District, GSA Troop 31890, Mama's Community Market (food bank), Service Integration Team (SIT), and the Aumsville Exchange Club were present. Mayor Clevenger handed out the checks and gave each of them an opportunity to speak about their groups. The mayor and CA Harding commended the groups for their dedication to our community. They thanked them for all their

help at the Corn Festival and the service they give throughout the year, stating "We couldn't do all the wonderful events that we do without the help of all the dedicated volunteers."

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Councilor Casarez moved to approve the September 26, 2022 city council meeting minutes as presented. Councilor Seney seconded the motion. <u>Motion</u> <u>APPROVED 6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, Wick, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)</u>

# PUBLIC HEARING: USDA Rural Development Loan and Grant Program Application

Mayor Clevenger opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 PM.

CA Harding gave a brief overview of the purpose of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) application. He stated that staff is diligently searching for and applying for grants to help offset the unavoidable costs for the necessary upgrades to our wastewater facility that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is requiring the city to make. The overall cost for this upgrade is estimated to be in the \$25M range. Over the last couple years, we have been awarded about \$8M in grants that will go to buying down the cost for potable water and wastewater projects. By approving the proposed resolution, Council will be authorizing the city to apply for grant funds, as well as a loan through the USDA. CA Harding stated that the city will have up to two years to enact the loan, giving us time to apply for grant funding to buy down the amount the city would need to finance, therefore, taking some of the burden off the citizens. He did have one change to line item #17 on the resolution where it states not to exceed \$0, should be \$25,000,000.

Mayor Clevenger asked if there were any public comments or testimony on the subject. There being none he closed the public hearing at 7:20 PM.

There were no Council questions or deliberations. Mayor Clevenger called for a motion. Councilor Casarez motioned to approve Resolution No. 14-22 A Resolution authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, improving, and/or extending its wastewater treatment facility with the change to line item #17 to read "To accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000" as presented by staff. Councilor Seney seconded the motion. <u>Motion APPROVED</u> <u>6-0: (Yes: Councilors Casarez, Ceja, Lee, Seney, Wick, and Mayor Clevenger. No: None.)</u>

# **OLD BUSINESS: None**

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**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** CA Harding talked about the monthly Police Department report and how they have been able to reduce the number of calls for assistance through our mutual aid program by adopting a policy on the types of calls our officers would respond to. He continued to say that it is important to note that Aumsville gets a lot of assistance from those other communities when we need help, but at the same time we still want to make sure that we are responding only to calls within the policy.

CA Harding reminded Council that on October 15<sup>th</sup> the city will host a fun community event. The Great Pumpkin Walk will be free to attend, and everyone present gets a free pumpkin to take home. There will also be free apple cider, donuts, and cookies for refreshments. The event will be from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Maude's in Porter-Boone Park.

## MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES: None

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER: None**

## **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

Mayor Clevenger adjourned the meeting without prejudice at 7:27 PM.

Ron Harding, City Administrator

Derek Clevenger, Mayor

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