



FALLS CITY CITY COUNCIL		MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023	
The Falls City City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center located at 320 N. Main Street			
Council Members Present: Council President Amy Houghtaling, Councilor Nick Backus, Councilor Martha Jirovec, Councilor Tony Meier, Councilor Dennis Sickles, Councilor Lori Jean Sickles			
Staff Present: City Manager AJ Foscoli, City Recorder Jeremy Teal			
AGENDA		ACTION	
Announcements, Appointments, Appreciations & Proclamations		There were no comments.	
Public Comment		There were no comments.	
Audit Report		<p>Rich Winkel gave a brief overview of the 2021-2022 Falls City Financial Audit report. He also outlined the corrective actions that need to be ratified for the State.</p> <p>Councilor Jirovec suggested a quarterly Council review of the budget vs actual to ensure status of the budget.</p> <p>It was moved by Meier to approve the audit and accept the plan of corrective actions. The motion was duly seconded by LJ and carried with a vote of 6-0 with Councilors Backus, Jirovec, Meier, D Sickles, LJ Sickles, and Council President Amy Houghtaling voting YES.</p>	
Consent Agenda a) January 9, 2023 Minutes		<p>It was moved by Council President Houghtaling to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Councilor Backus and CARRIED with a vote of 6-0 with Councilors Backus, Jirovec, Meier, D Sickles, LJ Sickles, and Council President Houghtaling voting YES.</p>	
Reports or Comments from Mayor and Council Members a) Mayor's Report		<p>Mayor Bailey gave a brief report on the skate park showing the Councilors the 3 options for the skate park design. He noted it would be pushed out to the citizens to vote on the final design.</p> <p>Councilor Meier asked for some definition in what the 3 plans have for amenities before it is pushed out.</p>	

<p>b) Councilor Comments</p>	<p>Mayor Bailey reported the Mayor's Conference he attended was extremely helpful and insightful. He asked that every Councilor have an updated handbook by the next council meeting. He noted he would like to review the committee handbooks to make sure they were updated. He mentioned there had been an uptick in RV parking in the mill lot and the City and himself had been good about not letting people stay too long.</p> <p>Councilor D Sickles noted the Girls and Boys Basketball had made it to the district tournament. He noted the boys would play in St Paul, and the Girls would be at home in Falls City.</p> <p>Councilor Jirovec reported that Thrives had engaged with RDI to facilitate a goal setting session on Saturday afternoons on June 24 and July 15. She asked if those dates could be added to the newsletter.</p> <p>She reported the sign ideas for the LCB. She noted a few ideas were a glass case with plastic letters or hanging signs for each business. She noted a date would like to be set for an open house so the community can see all the work that had been done. She asked Council to agree to not charge for community events or AA meetings in the LCB. She stated the sunroom needed to be cleaned out and Thrives would be getting quotes.</p> <p>Councilor LJ Sickles stated the Community Easter Egg Hunt would be on April 8.</p> <p>Mayor Bailey would like to set a time for Council goal setting session. It was decided on March 1 at 6 pm, and March 8 at 6 pm if needed. The Council agreed on the time and dates.</p>
<p>Reports from City Manager & Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Falls City Fire Report b) Polk County Sheriff Report c) Falls City Public Works Report d) City Manager 	<p>There were no comments.</p> <p>There were no comments.</p> <p>There were no comments.</p> <p>Mr. Foscoli gave his report regarding the wastewater project, LCB, Code enforcement, towing, speed signs, emergency routes to school, air filtration grant and the Community center</p>

	<p>roof leak, mobile broadband deployment, and excessive domestic sewer pumping. Mayor Bailey voiced his concern for the radar sign placement that may cause the tenant across the street to park his vehicles in the mill lot.</p> <p>Councilor Backus asked if it was illegal to park in front of street sign. Mr. Foscoli stated that it was.</p> <p>Councilor Meier noted that the excessive septic pumping had been brought to the Public Works Committee before and had no traction. Mr. Foscoli mentioned there were multiple septic tanks in town that were being used by more people than allowed for the size of the tank. He stated the usual pumping of a tank was once every 5 years, and some of the tanks were being pumped 2 or 3 times more than the once per 5 years. He noted that a 750 gal used by 8-10 people cause serious issues and the owners should be charged for excessive pumping.</p>
<p>Executive Session ORS 192.600.2.a: The governing body of a public body may hold an executive session to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.</p>	<p>Mayor Bailey opened the Executive Session at 7:32 p.m.</p> <p>Mayor Bailey closed the Executive Session at 7:49 p.m.</p>
<p>Good of the Order</p>	<p>Councilor D Sickles asked when the next Park & Rec meeting would be. Mr. Teal stated it would be Wednesday, February 15 at 6 pm</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.</p>
<p>Read and approved this <u>13</u> day of <u>March</u> 2023.</p> <p>Mayor: <u></u></p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>City Recorder: <u></u></p>	