

City of Falls City
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
July 19,, 2018 6:00 PM
Meeting Location: 320 N Main Street, Falls City, Oregon 97344

Council Present: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

Staff Present: Mac Corthell, City Manager; JoHanna Birr, City Clerk

Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. Roll Call

Clerk Birr took roll call.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gordon led the pledge.

C. Motion to adopt the entire Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Meier and seconded by Councilor L. Sickles to adopt the entire agenda. Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

D. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor D. Sickles and seconded by Councilor L. Sickles to adopt the consent agenda Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

E. Public Comments

Lilli Boettcher of Falls City has lived here twenty years (20). She has very little garbage and feels it's unfair to pay the same rate, as she only puts 1-2 bags in every three weeks. She recycles once per month.

Julie Jackson addressed Mrs. Boettcher's concerns with alternative service programs which may fit her needs more readily.

Joe Shinkle of Liberty Rd. Dallas spoke on behalf of Gordon Hanson of Falls City and a neighborhood issue that has been going on for some time. Mr. Shinkle has known Mr. Hanson since they were 7 years old. Mr. Hanson does not get angry or exaggerate. Mr. Shinkle described Mr. Hanson as a very calm person. He described certain neighbors as "terrorizing Mr. & Mrs. Hanson and their 2 year old child.

Mr. Shinkle has tried to mediate the situation to no avail. Several weeks ago, speakers have been installed and are directed at Mr. Hanson's back yard. The same song is on loop at extremely loud decibels.

Mr. Hanson addressed Council apologizing for the content of a handout Council was about to read. It was lyrics of the afore mentioned song on loop blaring into his yard by 2 Live Crew "We Want Some XXXXX". The handout shall be referenced by title only as the lyrics are too vulgar to attach as an exhibit. Mr. Hanson desires to be a good and contributing person to the community and the situation is making this goal very difficult.

Mayor Gordon sympathized with Mr. Hanson's situation. He assured Mr. Hanson the city is working on the ongoing issue with a multipronged approach. Mediation is a part of the process and will hopefully be successful. The Mayor will request the music be turned off and urged Mr. Hanson to keep in contact.

It was suggested to send a letter to the offending party. City Manager Mac Corthell said he would not send letters while the parties are engaged in mediations. Mr. Hanson apologized again for bringing this type of content before Council. Sheriff Garton met with Mr. Hanson and Mr. Shinkle outside in private during the meeting.

Tina Thompson of Falls City urged Council to consider revisions to land use. Mainly allowing alternate housing such as container homes built to meet certain specifications, off-grid set ups and other trend setting options. She feels it would attract a good crowd to the city. Mayor Gordon agreed.

F. New Business

A. Resolution 16-2018 \$2.00 Republic Recycling Surcharge

Public Hearing opened at 6:43pm.

Mr. Corthell introduced Julie Jackson, Municipal Relations Manager of Republic Services. Due to the recent Chinese refusal to process recycling materials, there is a need for a \$2.00 increase to cover losses Republic Services (Republic) has experienced over the last year. Formerly, Republic was paid \$40.00 - \$50.00 per ton for recycling materials and is now paying \$70.00 for recycling disposal. Republic has been generous to Falls City and taken a 3.5% loss for the 2017-2018 fiscal year contracted agreement with Falls City. Falls City has 202 users with 87% of those using recycling services as well. Republic is a business and must pass costs to customers. Falls City is not the only municipality to experience the increase.

Councilors Meier and D. Sickles agreed it is less expensive than a second receptacle and commendable citizens are recycling.

Councilor Flynn was against an increase for customers. He agrees as well but does not feel it is financially feasible.

Public Hearing closed at 6:47pm.

A motion was made by Councilor Meier and seconded by Councilor Lauder that the City Council of Falls City adopt resolution 16-2018, A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A \$2.00 SURCHARGE PER CUSTOMER, PER MONTH FOR RECYCLING SERVICES PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 53 SUB-SECTION "e" OF THE FALLS CITY MUNICIPAL CODE. Motion carried 5-0-1. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles Nays: Charlie Flynn

B. Resolution 17-2018 Procurement of a Fire Duty Truck

Multiple options for the purchase or lease of a duty rig is being investigated. It must be reliable now that the Falls City Fire Department (FCFD) is operation separately from Southwest Polk. This resolution would allow staff to negotiate terms. A flat bed with the ability to fight fires would be ideal and is well within budget.

Councilor Lauder asked if it was just to drive around in. City resident and former Mayor Terry Ungricht explained to Councilor Lauder that yes, it will be driven to areas or fires when a small unit is needed as other fire trucks are too large or unable to go due to road conditions as well as to extract injured people from those areas.

A motion was made by Councilor D. Sickles and seconded by Councilor Flynn that the City Council of Falls City adopt resolution 17-2018, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY FOR THE PURCHASE AND BUILD – OUT OF A DEDICATED FIRE DUTY TRUCK. Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

C. Resolution 18-2018 Establishing a Sheriff's Office Sub-Station

Chief Young of the FCFD has agreed to dedicate an extra office at the Fire Station to serve as the Sheriff's Sub-Station. Pros include; visible Law Enforcement in the area, a place to write reports and a safe/secure/private place for citizens to meet PCSO away from their homes. There will be no dedicated deputy and may take a month or more to set up.

A motion was made by Councilor Meier and seconded by Councilor D. Sickles that the City Council of Falls City authorize Mayor Gordon to sign the proposed contract between the City of Falls City and Macahan Corthell. Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

D. National Night Out- Road Closure

A motion was made by Councilor Drill and seconded by Councilor Meier that the City Council of the City of Falls City approve the 3rd Street closure between Main and Pine for National Night Out Block Party. Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

E. CDBG Wastewater Update

Staff has begun conversing with landowning neighbors on the north side of the river. An informational letter was sent to landowners with a softened approach with understanding of intentions comparatively to the previous sent to Ms. Avery. The project is in the design and engineering phase and cannot enter into land acquisition at this point, however things are moving forward and land has been identified. There will be a One-Stop meeting in the future to investigate funding strategies and opportunities for the construction phase.

F. Mayor's Proclamation

Mayor Gordon acknowledged Terry Ungricht and Jeremy Kern for their efforts and contributions to the City of Falls City. (Exhibit A)

G. Resolution 19-2018 small City Allotment Grant for Fair Oaks

Delaying the paving of Fair Oaks until next year would allow staff to apply for additional funding of \$100,000.00 to combine for a total of \$150,000.00. This would make it easier to acquire quality bids and services for the project.

A motion was made by Councilor Drill and seconded by Councilor Meier that the City Council of the City of Falls City adopt resolution 19-2018, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF FALLS CITY, OREGON TO PURSUE A SMALL CITY ALLOTMENT GRANT TO PAVE FAIROAKS STREET FROM WOOD STREET TO ELLIS STREET AND BOUNDARY STREET FROM FAIROAKS STREET TO PROSPECT AVENUE. Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Lori Jean Sickles, Jennifer Drill, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Dennis Sickles, Charlie Flynn

H. Correspondence, Comments and Ex-Officio Reports

A. Mayor's Report

Mayor Gordon is a member of the Polk County Development Corporation (PCDC). They are discussing housing projects for Falls City. This would benefit low-income and veterans. He asked Council to consider the importance and feasibility.

A. Manager's Report

B. Council Announcements

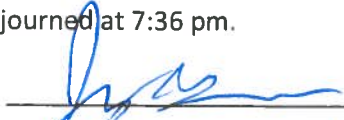
Councilor Drill thanked Mayor Gordon, City Manager Mac Corthell and City Clerk Birr for their impressive effort and diligence. She can see, and has had positive feedback by word of mouth from citizens that the city is running smoothly.

Councilor L. Sickles said the Summer Celebration event held on July 7 was a great success.

Sheriff's Report

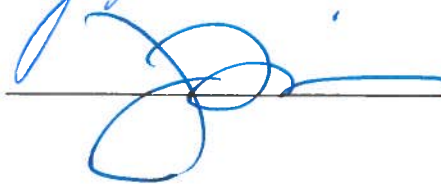
C. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.



Mayor, Jeremy Gordon

Attested:



City Clerk, JoHanna Birr

City of Falls City

Proclamation

Whereas: Municipal governments depend on volunteer services from its citizens; and,

Whereas: The City of Falls City prides itself for its natural beauty; and,

Whereas: Jeremy Kern approached the City and offered to contact residents with abandoned vehicles and appliances and collect and dispose of them; and

Whereas: Jeremy Kern successfully disposed of over 20 abandoned vehicles and other refuse thereby cleaning properties within the City and saving residents from possible code violations.

Now, Therefore, Be It Proclaimed that I, Jeremy Gordon, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Falls City, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim that the City of Falls City is grateful to Jeremy Kern for his past and continuing service to the community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Falls City to be affixed on this 19th day of July, 2018.



Jeremy Gordon , Mayor

City of Falls City

Proclamation

Whereas: Municipal governments need citizens to actively participate as elected officials and committee volunteers in order to create thriving and livable communities for our citizens; and,

Whereas: The City of Falls City has a process for electing public officials and appointing City committee members; and,

Whereas: Terry Ungricht was elected to the City Council in 2013, Mayor of Falls City in 2014 and appointed as volunteer City Manager in 2015 and provided valuable leadership to the community, local committees, and spear-headed needed community projects during his tenure; and, committed himself to a smooth transition of leadership upon his retirement in 2018.

Whereas: Terry Ungricht volunteered his time and labor on many projects outside of his duties as City Manager and Mayor including Public Works projects and emergencies, Spring Clean events, the HEAL project to rehabilitate the City stairs and countless others.

Whereas: Terry Ungricht completed his tenure as Mayor of Falls City on November 20, 2017 and City Manager on May 10, 2018.

Now, Therefore, Be It Proclaimed that I, Jeremy Gordon, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Falls City, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim that the City of Falls City is grateful to Terry Ungricht for his past and continuing service to the community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Falls City to be affixed on this 19th day of July, 2018.



Jeremy Gordon , Mayor