



**Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting
Molalla Adult Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
Wednesday, August 22, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER OF THE MOLALLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING; the regular meeting of August 22, 2018 was called to order by Mayor Jimmy Thompson at 7:04 P.M.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Jimmy Thompson – Present
Councilor Elizabeth Klein – Present
Councilor Leota Childress – Present
Councilor DeLise Palumbo – Present
Councilor Glen Boreth – Present
OPEN POSITION
Councilor Keith Swigart – Present

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager – Present
Gerald Fisher, Public Works Director – Present
Chaunee Seifried, Finance Director – Absent
Rod Lucich, Police Chief – Absent
Kelly Richardson, City Recorder – Present
Diana Hadley, Library Director – Absent
Chad Jacobs, City Attorney – Absent

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Open Council Position

Ms. Newland presented her background to City Council. Newland stated her goal was to get all the various groups communicating and working together better
Councilor Palumbo asked Newland what her area of concerns were. Newland reiterated that she wanted to see all the various groups in and around town have better communication.

Motion made by Councilor Palumbo, to appoint Jody Newland to City Council and fill the vacated seat by Cindy Dragowsky. Seconded by Councilor Childress.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart.

Councilor Childress pointed out that the open Council position had been open for some time now. Ms. Newland was our only applicant.

2. Applicant Steven Deller for appointment on Molalla Planning Commission.

Mr. Deller presented his resume to Council and felt he was more than qualified based on his background. Deller felt comfortable in working with the Planning Commission because of his background in project management. Deller wanted to serve his community in some way

Councilor Boreth thanked Mr. Deller for his willingness to serve his community.

Councilor Swigart do you see potential for growth here in the City and Deller stated he thought that was a lot of potential for growth and wanted to see growth in our downtown core area.



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Mayor Thompson asked Deller if he had seen the Comp Plan Update that is being proposed and Deller state he had already begun reading the update. Mayor Thompson informed Deller there would be quite a bit of reading and involved in this position and asked Deller if he still wanted the position. Deller stated he was prepared Councilor Childress thanked him for his willingness to serve.

Motion made by Councilor Boreth, to appoint Steven Deller to the Planning Commission. Seconded by Councilor Swigart.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

3. Happy Birthday Molalla August 23rd
4. July 30, 2018 Letter of rate increase from Wave División Holdings.

(Citizens are allowed up to 3 minutes to present information relevant to the City but not listed as an item on the agenda. Prior to speaking, citizens shall complete a comment form and deliver it to the City Recorder. The City Council does not generically engage in dialog with those making comments but may refer the issue to the City Manager. Complaints shall first be addressed at the department level prior to addressing the City Council.)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion made by Councilor Swigart, to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilor Boreth.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilor Boreth, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilor Childress.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

5. Molalla City Council Minutes August 8, 2018

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS

6. Ordinance 2018-12 Molalla Sign Code

City Recorder Richardson presented the sign code and explained the circumstances surrounding the necessity of reinserting the sign code back into the code. Council discussed a few items they felt needed changed however CM Huff reiterated that were not here tonight to make changes there is a process to make those changes through the Planning Commission.

Reporter Carol Rosen addressed the council and informed them she had recently written an article regarding garage sale signs and received at least 50 comments back. Rosen then states she should have informed Council of the feedback she had received.



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Motion made by Councilor Swigart, to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2018-12 Molalla Sign Code by title only. Seconded by Councilor Boreth.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

Motion made by Councilor Swigart, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2018-12 Molalla Sign Code by title only. Seconded by Councilor Boreth.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

Councilor Palumbo following the vote invites the public to attend next month's Council meeting where changes will be discussed.

Motion made by Councilor Swigart, to adopt the Molalla Sign Code Ordinance 2018-12. Seconded by Councilor Boreth.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart

Councilor Childress informed everyone about the necessity to have language regarding signs left by previous tenants. Councilor Boreth thought there was code language but stated he was not sure where at this point.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Future topics Discussion regarding Economic Development

CM Huff informed Council he believes Molalla is not able to have a dedicated employee in regard to Economic Development however our staff works very closely with the Clackamas County Economic Development Department. In doing so we have looked very closely at our downtown area and beyond to identify potential growth/business opportunities.

City Manager, Huff presented Council with eight development goals for discussion; these are a guide for thought and discussion.

1. Increase Community Assessed Value
2. Increase diversification of business and industry
3. Increase number of quality jobs
4. Promote/develop business with staying power
5. Enhance appeal and attractiveness of community
6. Create/provide environment for business and industrial growth
7. Maximize URD dollars
8. Public investment should follow with private investment

Vision For:

Physical

Financial

Regulatory/Policy

Marketing



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Surrounding Area
Community Development
Partnerships

Following a brief discussion of potential various sites a few of the Council members had some questions; Councilor Swigart asked if the old mill site on Molalla Ave., had active DEQ issues. CM Huff explained that is known as the old Floragon site and it used to have DEQ remediation, I believe its been completed. Swigart and Mayor Thompson agreed that moving forward it would be great to involve members of the Chamber. Councilor Palumbo commented on number 5 and felt this would help draw new business.

OLD BUSINESS

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- PWD Fisher Handed out some updates, if anyone has questions to contact him or it can be discussed at a future council meeting. PWD Fisher reminds everyone of the up and coming school year and to drive safe.
- City Recorder Richardson informed Council that the Clackamas Association Dinners will begin again in September and to keep in mind Molalla's turn to host is May of 2019.
- CM Huff presented a few items to Council;

Clackamas County Water Tourism Study, in the Spring of 2017 Clackamas County Tourism initiated a comprehensive study to determine if its water recreation assets are being used to their potential. The study included over 3 months of site visits to the County's water bodies. The full report can be viewed online on Clackamas County's website. At least one chamber member felt the Molalla report was missing some information.

Clackamas Community College will be hosting the *Business & Workforce Solutions Roundtable* again this year supporting the effort is Clackamas Community College, City of Molalla, Molalla Chamber of Commerce and Clackamas County Business and Economic Development. This was a great success and very interesting last year. It will be held at Legend's at Arrowhead Golf Course.

- Councilor Palumbo Historical Society meeting went well, and they are preparing for apple festival. The Society is asking for volunteers to help make apple pie. Louise Brewer has created some very impressive cards to go out to residents.
- Councilor Newland had nothing but thanked everyone for this evening.
- Councilor Swigart informed the group about a car show he was participating in this next weekend.
- Councilor Boreth, welcome Councilor Newland. Boreth found the sign remove regulations 18.32.060 for staff to review. Boreth also informed the group he had a successful jump and Skye Dive Oregon.
- Councilor Childress gave Council an update on the Celebrate Molalla event in September 22. Most of the vendor spaces have been filled in front of the park. Everything is coming together.



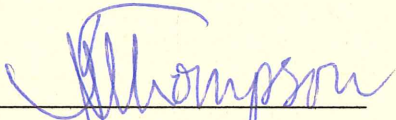
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- Councilor Klein informed Council that she had met with the facilitator for the Art Walk and everything is going well.
 - Mayor Thompson informed Council he had an opportunity to throw out a baseball at the Volcanoes game which was a great honor. Thompson welcomed Newland aboard.

ADJOURN

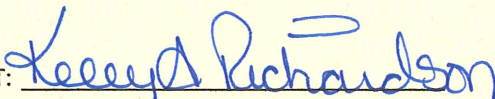
Motion made by Councilor Swigart, to adjourn the August 22, 2018 Council meeting at 8:05pm. Seconded by Councilor Boreth.

Voting Yea: Mayor Thompson, Councilor Klein, Councilor Boreth, Councilor Childress, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Swigart.



Mayor, Jimmy Thompson

Date 9/12/2018

ATTEST: 

Kelly Richardson, CMC
City Recorder