



## Minutes of the Molalla City Council Regular Meeting

Molalla Adult Community Center  
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038  
February 24, 2021

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### CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

The Molalla City Council Meeting of February 24, 2021 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:03pm.

### COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Leota Childress, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Jody Newland, Councilor Crystal Robles, Councilor Steve Deller.

### STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Gerald Fisher, Public Works Director; Mac Corthell, Planning Director; Chad Jacobs, City Attorney; Christie DeSantis, City Recorder.

### PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

City Manager Huff presented Operations Supervisor, Andy Peters, with a Letter of Commendation. Mr. Peters showed exemplary service during the ice storm and power outage. Mr. Huff appreciated his efforts and wanted the Council to also know of his hard work.

During the Work Session, Councilors interviewed three applicants for the open Planning Commission seat; Keith Swigart, Sarah Schoenborn, and Eric Vermillion.

*A motion was made by Mayor Keyser to appoint Sarah Schoenborn to Planning Commission, seconded by Council President Childress.*

Councilor Deller thanked the applicants for their willingness to volunteer. Other Council members echoed the sentiment, encouraging all three to volunteer in another board, commission, or committee.

*The vote was called by Mayor Keyser and resulted in a 5-2 vote. Council members voting Aye: Keyser, Childress, Klein, Shankle, and Deller. Council members voting Nay: Newland and Robles.*

### PUBLIC COMMENT – Items not on the Agenda

None.

### RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed into Executive Session, held pursuant to Oregon Public Record Law, ORS 192.660(2):

- (e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.
- (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.
- (h) To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

### RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session was reconvened at 8:08pm. Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Fisher exited the meeting during the break.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

## CONSENT AGENDA

*A motion was made by Councilor Newland to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0.*

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2021-05, Adopting a City Council Stipend Policy was presented to Council. A policy has not been available until now.

*A motion was made by Council President Childress to adopt Resolution No. 2021-05, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 7-0.*

Resolution No. 2021-06, Declaring a State of Emergency Due to Extreme Winter Weather and Power Outages. This Resolution was signed by Mayor Keyser on February 17, 2021, after the ice storm. It was presented to Council for ratification purposes.

*A motion was made by Councilor Robles to ratify Resolution No. 2021-06, seconded by Council President Childress. Council members voting Aye: Keyser, Childress, Klein, Shankle, Robles, and Deller. Council members voting Nay: Newland. Vote passed 6-1.*

## GENERAL BUSINESS

Todd Gary, owner of North Valley Feed & Mercantile, assisted Planning Director Corthell in a Mobile Food Unit presentation to Council. Mr. Gary has 30 years of experience in city municipality, fire marshall, and creating policy with the State for Food Units.

The City passed an Ordinance for Mobile Food Units in late 2020. Because this item is so new, the City has found a few items that need to be addressed and/or modified. (Handouts for this presentation are available on the website.)

Mr. Huff revisited the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Research Project that is being formed by Clackamas County. The program is beginning soon and he would like Council's direction in whether or not Molalla participates. Many Council members opinion is that Molalla is already accomplishing many of the items via the Molalla Area Vision and Action Plan. They also feel any funds that would be spent would be better served in the city of Molalla. Councilors encouraged Councilor Robles and Mr. Huff to participate if they wish, but will not support funds being donated to the program at this time.

## STAFF AND COUNCIL REPORTS

City Recorder DeSantis had nothing to report.

City Manager Huff shared the Public Works Director report. He also presented a letter in opposition for Councilors to sign regarding the Vehicle Registration Fee. Clackamas County Board of Commissioners is considering eliminating the fee. This is a source of funding for street repair in the City of Molalla, and it will cause a major impact here.

Councilor Deller had nothing to report.

Councilor Robles reminded the community that this is the final week of the "Share the Love" event.

Councilor Newland had nothing to report.

Councilor Shankle had nothing to report.

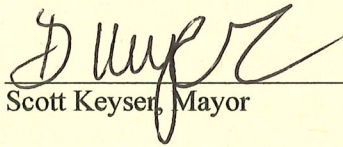
Council President Childress gave an update on the Molalla Warming Center and the resources that were (and were not) available due to the ice storm and power outage. They have been serving 50-65 people per day.

Councilor Klein reminded the community that there is a virtual Economic Development meeting being held on February 25, 2021.

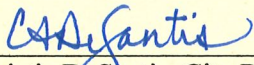
Mayor Keyser reported that he has attended meetings for both Molalla Fire District and Molalla River School Districts. He reported that the Debris Clean-Up day held last Saturday was a huge success. He thanked everyone who helped make the day a success.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Keyser at 9:40pm.

  
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Scott Keyser, Mayor

3/10/2021  
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Date

ATTEST:   
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Christie DeSantis, City Recorder