

Minutes of the Molalla City Council Regular Meeting

Molalla Adult Community Center 315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038 February 10, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

The Molalla City Council Meeting of February 10, 2021 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:00pm.

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; Chaunee Seifried, Finance Director; Mac Corthell, Planning Director; Christie DeSantis, City Recorder, Frank Schoenfeld, Police Chief, Chris Long, Lieutenant.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

Chief Schoenfeld presented the Officer's Oath for City of Molalla to Officer Cody Best, followed by Mayor Keyser swearing him in. Officer Best's wife pinned his badge, and he was welcomed with applause by Council and staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

City Manager Huff introduced a City Council Stipend Policy draft to Council. This has been a topic of discussion at previous Council meetings, as well as the Goal Setting Retreat. Currently, there is not a policy and the Molalla Municipal Code is vague.

A motion was made by Councilor Shankle for staff to bring the Policy back in Resolution form, seconded by Council President Childress. Vote passed 7-0 with all Councilors voting Aye.

Mr. Huff presented the notes from Goal Setting Retreat, as they have been now grouped into categories via department. There was brief discussion about how to create a document similar to the current Molalla Area Vision and Action Plan.

Mr. Huff and Councilor Robles attended a Coalition for Communities of Color (CCC) with Clackamas County earlier in the week. This Coalition stems from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion project with the County. A Racial Justice Research Project is beginning and Clackamas County would like all cities to participate. Councilor Robles was concerned that data that is currently collected is based on peoples feelings, oppposed to opportunites being created.

Mr. Huff urged Council to participate, so that Molalla will have a voice in what is happening in our area. Councilors would like more information about the project, and costs associated.

STAFF AND COUNCIL REPORTS

City Recorder DeSantis asked the community to consider applying for Budget Committee. Citizen applications are available on the website, and the City is currently in need of three Board Members.

Planning Director Corthell shared his monthly Planning Department report with Council. (copy available on the website, under this meeting's minutes.)

City Manager Huff had nothing to report.

Councilor Deller had nothing to report.

Councilor Robles reminded the community that Molalla Youth Sports is providing opportunities for kids and adults to stay active. She also directed the community to the Public Library for projects and materials.

Councilor Newland encouraged the community to participate in the "Share The Love" event that is happening now through the end of the month.

Councilor Shankle announced that Molalla School District is back in session, for Kindergarten and 1st Grade. She reminded everyone to keep an eye out for the kids, as we aren't use to having students out and about during the pandemic.

Council President Childress had nothing to report.

Councilor Klein thanked Planning Director Corthell for his work with the Economic Development Kick-Off and encouraged community participation.

Mayor Keyser attended a virtual C-4 meeting recently. He shared that the main topic was the tolling of I-5 and I-205.

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ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Keyser at 8:20pm.

ATTEST:

Christie DeSant's, City Recorder