

Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Civic Center 315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038 July 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of July 13, 2022 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:03pm.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Jody Newland, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Leota Childress,

Councilor Crystal Robles, and Councilor Eric Vermillion.

Absent: Councilor Terry Shankle.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Andy Peters, Public Works Division Manager; Cindy Chauran, Senior Accountant; Diana Hadley, Library Director; Chris Long, Police Chief.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Meeting Minutes - June 22, 2022

A motion was made by Councilor Childress to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

A. Child Care for All in Clackamas County (B. Dazey)

Bridget Dazey, Clackamas Workforce Partnership and Danni Stamm Thomas, Early Learning Hub of Clackamas County made a presentation to Council regarding the urgent need for childcare.

Mayor Keyser inquired to the presenters if they are aware of the difference of the needs between Oregon City and Molalla. Ms. Stamm Thomas explained that the need by zip code is being analyzed.

Ms. Hazey explained that partial funding is from State and Federal, including some ARPA funding that became available during the COVID pandemic.

Ms. Hazey encouraged Council to contact them if they had any further questions. (The Child Care for All presentation is attached to these meeting minutes.)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Betty Martin, Molalla resident, spoke to Council about her concerns with large trucks using 5th Street, between Stowers and Mathias, as a Truck Route. Mayor Keyser suggested that Ms. Martin contact City Manager Huff regarding her concerns.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 2022-06: Molalla Enterprise Zone

The Public Hearing for the Molalla Enterprise Zone was held on May 25, 2022. The Port of Portland completed consent, and the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners expressed support for the expansion at their June 7, 2022 meeting.

A motion was made by Councilor Vermillion to approve Resolution No. 2022-06, seconded by Councilor Childress. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

B. Resolution No. 2022-09: Adopting a Master Fee Schedule

Councilor Childress had concerns about some of the fees that were listed, specifically from the Planning Department for site design reviews. Staff explained the need for each.

Councilor Childress was also concerned about the \$1,000 Special Event Fee as a high cost and the need for it to be passed by Resolution. City Recorder Teets explained to Council that currently only two events are charged the \$1,000 fee, both events being held at the Buckeroo Grounds. Fees are established to recouperate some of the costs for overtime necessary with Police and Public Works. Councilor Robles inquired about if that fee was close to help covering cost, City Manager Huff replied no. Staff explained in detail the cost to prepare for these events, and Council concurred that it was an appropriate fee.

After discussion, City Recorder Teets announced that the Special Event Fee had been set in 2019 with Resolution No. 2019-04.

A motion was made by Council President Newland to approve Resolution No. 2022-09, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

C. Resolution No. 2022-12: Declaring the City's Election to Receive State Revenue Sharing

A motion was made by Councilor Robles to approve Resolution No. 2022-12, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

D. Resolution No. 2022-13: Certifying All Requirements to Receive State Shared Revenues Have Been Met

A motion was made by Councilor Vermillion to approve Resolution No. 2022-13, seconded by Councilor Childress. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Labor Contract Ratification - TBD (Huff) Removed from Agenda.

B. Contract Award: Eckerd and Lola Avenue - Sewer and Water Line Replacement

North Santiam Paving submitted the lowest bid for \$1,460,902.00, for sewer and water line replacement. Other work includes demolition work, traffic control, installation of various water line fittings and appurtenances, water line tie-ins to existing 12-inch, 10-inch, and 4-inch water lines, abandonment of water lines, abandonment and slurry filling of existing sewer lines, grind and inlay of ac pavement, removal and replacement of ac pavement, concrete sidewalks, driveways, curbs, gutters, curb paint, pavement striping, fences, aggregate base, and landscaping.

A motion was made by Council President Newland to approve the Contract Award, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

C. League of Oregon Cities – 97th Annual Conference

The LOC Annual Conference is being held October 5-7, 2022. City Manager Huff presented the fees for the conference, as well as the Council Budget. He encouraged Council to attend, while being mindful of the budget. Councilors held a brief discussion about who would attend. Mayor Keyser, Councilor Vermillion, and Councilor Childress all expressed interest.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

• City Manager Huff explained to Council that he would be out of the office for the upcoming City Managers Conference. He will notify Council once an Acting City Manager has been established.

- City Recorder Teets reminded Council that a Work Session had been scheduled for the evening for the open Planning Commission seat, however, there were no applications submitted. The seats for Planning Commission and Library Board will remain open. She also gave the Council an update of Candidate applications for the November 2022 Election. Current candidates are Ashly Hansen, Martin Ornelas, and Councilor Leota Childress.
- Senior Accountant Chauran explained that the new Auditors would be visiting City Hall in the next few weeks. The Finance Department is looking forward to beginning work with the new firm.
- Library Director Hadley shared that the Summer Reading Program is coming to a close. The Reptile Man will be visiting, and that always draws a crowd. The Bookmobile Van is scheduled to be delivered in August.
- PW Division Manager Peters presented Council with a map of an aerial view of Toliver Road and Hwy 213.
 Construction is about to begin, therefore community members will be forced to use a Detour. Public Works is working with ODOT to help with communication to users of Hwy 213. Mr. Peters also shared updates of Fox Park equipment installation at the playground.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- Councilor Vermillion shared that he and Mayor Keyser had a great time at the 4th of July Parade. He gave kudos to the Police Department for their fine work during the Parade incident.
- Councilor Childress felt that the Buckeroo this year was extra special. People were happy to be attending, after it's
 absence the past two years. She also shared that the Apple Festival and Celebrate Molalla plans are in full swing. There
 are over 150+ vendors at this time. Councilor Childress announced that the Molalla Warming Center will now be called
 the Molalla Extreme Weather Center. Soon the space will be opened as a cooling center, when extreme heat is
 expected.
- Council President Newland shared that she had the privilege of volunteering at the Buckeroo Rodeo during the festivities. She feels that Molalla shines when everyone works together.
- Councilor Robles encouraged community members to check out the Library's website or Facebook page for all of the great summer events that are happening right now.
- Councilor Klein shared that the Beautification and Culture meeting was held the night before. The B&C are looking at adding some art enhancements to Strawberry Park.
- Mayor Keyser was happy to volunteer at the Buckeroo and enjoyed seeing everyone out and about. Mayor Keyser requested that Police, Fire, County, and SWAT come to the next meeting, so the Council could thank them for their service during the Parade. Mayor Keyser announced other upcoming events, and reminded community members that it is election season. City Recorder Teets explained that August 25, 2022 is the due date for all candidate paperwork.

For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube "Molalla City Council Meetings – July 13, 2022"

ADJOURN

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.

ATTEST:

Christie Teets City Recorder