

**City of Rainier**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**May 6, 2019**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Rainier City Hall**

Mayor Cole Called the meeting to order at 7:11pm

**Council Present:** Rick Sanders, Mike Kreger, Steve Massey, James Bradfield

**Council Absent:** Jenna Weaver, Sloan Nelson, Robert duPlessis

**City Staff Present:** Sue Lawrence, Public Works Director; Sarah Blodgett, City Clerk; Gregg Griffith, Police Chief

**City Attorney Present:** No

**Flag Salute**

**Additions/Deletions from the Agenda-** none

**Mayor's Address:** Mayor Cole read the names of fallen service personnel in Iraq and Afghanistan. A moment of silence was observed.

**Visitor Comments:** Craig Dickinson of 75498 Fern Hill Rd. stated he has a water leak on his property and believes it is a City issue. Dickinson stated it has created a marshy area on his property. Lawrence stated she had looked at it but will look at it again tomorrow.

**Consider Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Consider Approval of the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Massey moved, Bradfield 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve April 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 Regular Meeting as presented-**motion passed unanimously**

**Consider Approval of the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Financials-** Kreger moved, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve April 15<sup>th</sup> Financials as presented- **motion passed unanimously**

**Unfinished Business:**

**a. Affordable/Senior Housing-** none

**b. 'A' Street Update ODOT- Lawrence** stated there will be a walk through on May 28, 2019 with possible contractors. Lawrence also noted that June 20<sup>th</sup> is the projected bid opening date.

**c. 'A' Street Plaza Update/Riverfront Trail-** none

**d. Fox Creek Update-** Lawrence stated she was in contact with Columbia Soil and Water District and that the IGA states that CSWD is the lead for the project and this issue is still under discussion

**e. Consultant Discussion:** Mayor Cole handed out a Project Management Proposal from Morris Malakoff. Malakoff gave a review of what he could do for the City. Council stated their comments on the proposal and discussed the idea of the proposal as being a living document with the ability to change the duties as needed. Mayor Cole elected a subcommittee to negotiate Malakoff's proposal.

**New Business:**

**a. Consider Columbia County's Request to Establish a Permanent Tax Levy for CC Rider.** Columbia County Commissioner Henry Heimuller gave a presentation on the need of a permanent source of funding for the county wide public transportation system, CC Rider. Mayor Cole noted this resolution is just to show that the City is showing support of the tax going on the ballot and letting the voters decide. Kreger moved, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve a resolution approving a county order to form a service district for a public transit with a permanent tax rate-**motion passed unanimously**

**b. Consider Approval of ODOT Agreement #33396 -2019 Fund Exchange Agreement-** Lawrence explained that this was one of the many funding mechanisms we have had for the 'A' Street Project and that this agreement is allowing the City to allocate certain funds to the State to do the project. Kreger moved to approve ODOT Agreement #33396, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> -**motion passed unanimously**

**Staff Reports:** Chief Griffith stated that Sargent Murphy is taking a position with the Columbia County Sheriff's office and will give his two week's notice after his background check is complete. Mayor Cole noted that once he puts in his two weeks' notice, the City will look to promote internally for the position and will also offer an opening created by the promotion to a reserve officer. Mayor Cole stated that he, Murphy and Chief Griffith attended fallen officer DeRosier's funeral. Lawrence noted that the Comcast Cleanup Day at the park on May 4<sup>th</sup> was successful.

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**Council Reports:** Bradfield stated his observation and personal pet peeve in regards to the horrible condition of the bathrooms at the City park and stated that really need replaced.

**City Calendar/Announcements:** May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Budget Meeting at 6pm with possible Council Meeting if needed

Meeting adjourned at 8:18M

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Mayor Cole

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Sarah Blodgett, Interim City Recorder