

**City of Rainier
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2015
7:00 PM
Rainier City Hall**

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order.

Council Present: Mayor Cole, Sloan Nelson, Dan Smith, William Vilardi, Robert DuPlessis, Steve Massey and Doug Aske.

Council Absent: James Bradfield.

City Staff Present: Debra Dudley, City Administrator, Finance Director and Recorder; Jim Dahlquist, Public Works Supervisor; and Police Chief Griffith.

City Attorney Absent: Stephen Petersen.

Flag Salute.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: None.

Mayor's Address: Mayor Cole read the names of two fallen military personnel since Council last met and a moment of silence was observed.

Visitor Comments: None.

Consider Approval of April 6, 2015 Work Session Minutes: Massey moved, Aske 2nd, to approve the minutes as presented – **motion passed unanimously.**

Consider Approval of April 6, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: Massey moved, Vilardi 2nd, to approve the minutes as presented – **motion passed unanimously.**

Consider Approval of April 20, 2015 Work Session Minutes: Massey moved, Smith 2nd, to approve the minutes as presented – **motion passed unanimously.**

Consider Approval of April 20, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: Massey moved, Vilardi 2nd, to approve the minutes as presented – **motion passed unanimously.**

Unfinished Business:

a. “A” Street Update: Dudley stated she met with people who will help with the Connect Oregon grant match - Oregon Infrastructure finance, Oregon DEQ and Urban Renewal and is exploring options in regard to the City’s best interest. Dudley added there is an upcoming meeting and soon as there is a definitive meeting date she will let everyone know.

b. Highway 30/”B” Street Update: Dahlquist reported there have been sewer line repairs and issues resolved and moving the project is moving forward. Dudley added there is an issue with a utility vault between 1st and East 2nd, it is becoming more difficult with right of way and easement so there will be a significant cost to make a customized vault for that area. Dudley added based on unforeseen issues the contingency has been pretty much used.

c. View Street Update: Dahlquist met with Dave Hill from the Columbia County Road Department and there are significant issues in regard to stormwater management and right of way that need to be addressed. Dahlquist said it is difficult to get a cost estimate without the road being surveyed and knowing the elevations. Surveying is needed in regard to parking strips, curbing and two lanes since the existing road, in areas, is not 32’ wide which is what is needed. Mayor Cole added he and Nelson have been given weekly updates by staff regarding View Street.

d. Liaison Appointments: Mayor Cole asked Dudley to repeat the work session discussion pertaining to liaisons which are as follows: Massey, library and Senior Center; Mayor Cole, administration; Bradfield, Public Works; Smith, Police; DuPlessis, economic development; Vilardi, IT; Mayor Cole, events; Nelson, public properties; and Aske, administration. Nelson moved, Vilardi 2nd, to approve the council liaison appointments – **motion passed unanimously.**

New Business:

a. Consider Approval of Appointment for Budget Committee Members: Dudley stated Connie Budge and Tom Friedlein both requested reappointment to the budget committee with the term expiring 12-31-17. Nelson moved, Massey 2nd, to approve the appointment of Budge and Friedlein to the budget committee – **motion passed unanimously.**

b. Consider Approval of Agreement with Althof Contracting for Road Maintenance/Construction as Recommended by our consultant, CBR Forestry: Massey moved, Vilardi 2nd, to approve the agreement with Althof Contracting – **motion passed unanimously.**

c. Consider Approval to Waive Launch Fees During the Eagles Fishing Derby: Mayor Cole said the fees were waived last year and all the money that is raised goes back into the

community. Massey moved, Vilardi 2nd, to approve waiving the launch fees for the fishing derby – **motion passed unanimously**. Mayor Cole directed Dahlquist to provide a dumpster for the event which will be held September 5, 2015.

d. Consider Approval of Fill/Removal Application Consulting Work: Dudley asked Curran-McLeod to provide an agreement for approval but she has not received it yet and it is not to exceed \$3800.00. Dudley added Curran-McLeod's bid is the least expensive of the two received bids and they have experience with this type of work. Nelson moved, Smith 2nd, to approve the fill/removal application for consulting work pending Dudley and Mayor Cole's review – **motion passed unanimously**.

Staff Reports:

Chief Griffith – May 15th is Police Officer Memorial Day.

Dahlquist – Water treatment plant operating well and water system survey went very well; and Foultnier and Dahlquist will be trained to be cross connection specialists.

Dudley – The Port's program awarded the City \$35,000.00 and Mayor Cole stated the City would apply again next year for this economic award. Dudley requested Council supply a bio to her for the website and requested Council view the revamped website.

Council Reports:

Nelson – Showed pictures of banners and requested the obelisk area be weeded.

City Calendar:

Mayor Cole announced city budget meeting is May 18th at 6:00 PM, with the regular meeting at 7:00 PM and the City/County Dinner is May 26th at 6:00 PM. Dudley announced Rainier will be hosting the next City/County Dinner.

Executive Session: ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

Mayor Cole adjourned the meeting after Executive Session.

Mayor Cole

Attested by: _____
Debra Dudley, City Administrator/Fin. Director/Recorder