

**City of Rainier
Regular City Council Meeting
October 3, 2016
7:00 PM
Rainier City Hall**

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order.

Council Members Present: Mayor Cole, Jim Bradfield, Sloan Nelson, Steve Massey, Doug Aske and Robert DuPlessis

Council Members Absent: William Vilardi

City Staff Present: Debra Dudley, City Administrator/Finance Director/Recorder

City Attorney Absent: Stephen Petersen

Flag Salute.

Additions/Deletions from the Agenda: Nelson moved, Sloan 2nd, to add Veterans Way Resolution to the Agenda- **motion passed unanimously**. It was added as item a., New Business

Mayor's Address: Moment of silence for 2 fallen service personnel. Mayor Cole and Councilor Nelson visited the waste water treatment plant and reported that is running well. Mayor Cole also visited the water plant and it is running well also.

Visitor Comments: None

Consider Approval of the September 6, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes- Nelson moved, Aske 2nd, to approve the minutes as presented-**motion passed unanimously**

Unfinished Business:

a. Veterans Way/Truck Route: Mayor Cole stated we need to maximize parking on "A" Street and ask staff to look into an engineer for the truck route needed on Veterans Way. Nelson asks about using the engineer that we already use, Debbie recommends using an engineer from W & H Pacific. Mayor recommended possibly using a traffic engineer to make sure trucks can make the turn. Nelson makes a motion to direct Debbie to find some engineering for the Veterans Way truck route. Duplessis 2nd-**motion passed unanimously**

b. Update by SWCD on Sink Hole: Kari Hollander states June 3rd 2016 was when all the funding became official and the engineers were put to task, permitting began and contractors were hired. Henderson Contracting was hired and the contract was official on September 30th. The culvert delivery is a few weeks out and details are just being finalized. Once ground breaking has happened, it will be a 2-3 week process to complete the project. The Fish and Wildlife is

allowing the water work to be done through then end of October in which the work should be substantially done and they will work with SWCD to make sure it is finalized. Kari states the City received the official water work variance and the fish passage permit. Kari states the Fish and Wildlife is allowing this long-term, temporary repair because of the emergency nature and that there is no fish passage as it currently is and will extend the time frame as long as we keep moving toward the bigger project that we all agreed to in March or April of working through a daylighting project by 2021 that will encompass everyone; the city, private property owners and ODOT. Karis states that Fish and Wildlife is willing to help with their own experts and people we can work with and will reduce the costs of some of the engineering and feasibility. Also SWCD has some initial money that can be used to get the feasibility started this winter. Kari states the community will have say in the daylighting project about their concerns and what their wants are, and if they want it to be in addition to the park system or just opening up the creek for Fish and Wildlife purposes, there are a lot of variations this end product could be. Kari explains to the council what the project is encompassing: at the upstream side of "C" street will be some sediment removed at the inlet of the culvert so that it can be blocked off for water diversion purposes, on the other side the culvert under "C" street will be repaired, a man hole will be put in place right there as a connector and the strange angle at that end of the culvert will be removed and the culvert will go straight towards the current sink, it will a 72" galvanized pipe all the way to the sink hole and then it will continue on until they find a good connection point at which we will install another manhole so there will be two maintenance points. Mayor Cole asks Kari how we are doing funding wise. Kari states that we are in a window of \$400-500,000 and it will probably come in less than that. But there are contingencies in there for the unknowns. Nelson asks if the City is still going to owe the \$171,000 and Kari states it won't be that much. Debbie asks if we have heard anything about the IFA and Kari states we have heard nothing recently and will look into that and get back to Debbie this week.

c. Planning Commission Work Session Report: Debbie states that council asked the planning commission to make a recommendation about overnight tent camping at the marina. Instead of a formal meeting that would be a long process, the planning commission held a work session. The camping proposal was unanimously denied by the planning commission, as it is not in compliance with CBD zoning language. Debbie asked the council if they wanted to take any additional action. Mayor Cole stated that if the person with the idea wants to amend the proposal it could be resubmitted to the planning commission.

d. Update on Housing Study: Debbie updated the council on the study; the city with three other cities entered into an agreement with CAT and the process is moving ahead. CAT has contracted with an outside entity to review the original study and we have asked that they include a specific look at Rainier as it addresses assisted living and independent living. They will include that in their scope of work.

New Business: Consider Approval of the Request for Overrun or Increase in Construction Authorization from ODOT: Debbie explained to the council that the “B” street project is not completely closed out due to an issue with ADA ramps. ODOT found an additional \$50,000 to fix the ADA sidewalk ramps so that we will be in compliance and there will be no cost to the City. Sloan motioned, DuPlessis 2nd, to approve the ODOT Request for Overrun or Increase in Construction-**motion passed unanimously**

Staff Report: Chief Griffith stated they will have a prescription drug turn in at the Sr. Center on October 22nd.

Dan stated they are near completion of the equipment storage building down at the waste water plant, the marina pump out station work should be completed by the end of the month, and we installed three new culverts and approximately 100 tons of asphalt trying to stop excess water runoff on the east side of town. Dan stated View Street is done including the storm drains. Dan stated we have gotten a couple backhoe bids in, as ours needs replaced because the transmission needs replaced and that costs \$23,000 and it has about 80,000 hours on it. Nelson asked if City placards had been ordered for the new truck and Dan stated not yet, the truck has been in the shop for repairs a lot. Nelson asked about the diagonal parking on the street by City Hall and Dan stated it's on the list as weather allows.

Debbie informed the council that the marina project was moving forward; we've received the pump-out stations and have selected the contractor for cameras.

Mayor Cole asked if it is still in the plan to be a Hotspot at the marina and Debbie said yes that was the plan. Debbie provided an update about the Veteran's Way traffic signal, we applied for a grant, we're 4th in prioritization, unfortunately there is very little funding available; we're still in the scoping process. We got a rough bid of \$500,000 for the cost and when ODOT did a feasibility study and they came up with a cost of about \$1.2 million. The high cost is due to the many improvements that need to be made at that intersection. Nelson asked about the windows and air conditioning improvements at City Hall. Debbie stated that we're in the bidding process, we are looking to replace with in kind units for heating and cooling. The window contractor will at the next meeting for a presentation.

Council Reports: Nelson stated that when we got the marijuana store, we had agreed that half of the city licensing money for marijuana would go toward drug prevention and he is working on that plan and should have something to show council next month.

Mayor Cole convened the Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

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.

Mayor Cole adjourned Regular Meeting City Council Meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Mayor Cole

Debra Dudley, City Administrator, Finance
Director/Recorder