



# Prescott City Council Meeting Minutes

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Regular Meeting, open to the public - August 13, 2019

The Common council of the City of Prescott met in a regular session with the following present:

Joyce Rivas, Mayor  
Kelly Von Pinnon, Treasurer  
Karlyn Gedrose, Secretary/Recorder, Councilor  
Jim Larson, Councilor  
Frank Oliver, Council President  
Mike Blair, Councilor

Mayor Rivas called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

## **Minutes and Treasurer's Report:**

Because we had so much new business to discuss, Mayor Rivas decided to hold off on reading the old business from the last meeting and the Treasurer's Report. Instead we went right to New Business.

## **Old Business:**

- Development presentation from Columbia County Parks/Casey Garrett
- ODOT Grant Project
- Sewer/Septic Special Meeting
- Water Report/Current update from Larry Hudnell
- AIRbnb

## **New Business:**

- **City Hall Maintenance** - Mayor Rivas asked for volunteers to help maintain the grounds around the City Hall after the major clean up we just completed.

- **ODOT Grant Project** - Mayor Rivas updated that if we don't receive the grant this year we can apply for the same amount next year
- **Proposed City Sewer/Septic System** - Mayor Rivas reported that the presentation should be ready in the next few weeks. A special Town Hall Meeting will be held for residents to come and ask all their questions.
- **Road/Water Update** from Larry Hudnell - Larry requested a sum of \$2000 plus another \$200 for insurance to rent a backhoe to clear a path on our current easement road to aid in deciding whether this is a viable area for a new water source for the city. Councilor Oliver made a motion to hold off on voting for this for now. Councilor Larson seconded it.
- **Signage along Graham Road** - Councilor Oliver looked into getting signage from the county to put up along Graham Rd. to help prevent littering. It was decided that he would find out if there would be a cost to the city to do this and then report back.
- **Development Applications** from Steve and Jeanie Lambert and Howard Allen/Jolena Allen were submitted. The building committee approved the Lambert project but decided the Allen project needed more information submitted before making a decision.
- **Short Term Rentals** - Councilor Gedrose presented research and recommendations for amending Ordinance 14 with a new Section 17A-19 that would add Short Term Rentals (with complete rules and regulations) as a considered conditional use within the city residential zone. Councilor Blair made a motion to approve the amendment as written and Councilor Gedrose seconded the motion. All information for residents will be available for download on the website. All license and permit applications and fees for STRs must be submitted to the Building Committee for review and approval before a resident can operate an STR in the city. An annual \$500 conditional use permit fee plus an annual \$100 business license fee (no additional transient levy taxes will be assessed) will be required in addition to approval from surrounding neighbors and a designated 24-Hour Contact Person who can quickly respond to emergencies or complaints.

#### **Issues from the Public:**

- There was an inquiry about the city-owned trailer (no resolution to keep or sell)
- There was a question about water meters in the city
- There was a request for a reader board or similar signage at the bus stop to publicize meetings and events to residents

#### **Adjourn:**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilor Blair and seconded by Councilor Larson. The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Attest:

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Mayor

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City Recorder