



Prescott City Council Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting, open to the public - October 1, 2019

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

Joyce Rivas, Mayor
Karlyn Gedrose, Secretary/Recorder, Councilor
Jim Larson, Councilor
Frank Oliver, Council President

Mayor Rivas called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Mayor Rivas read the council minutes from the September 10, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by Councilor Gedrose and seconded by Councilor Oliver to accept the minutes as read.

There was no Treasurer's Report read or bills presented this month. Kelly is out of town and was not at the meeting.

Old Business:

- Road Fund Money/New Water Source
- Water Meters
- Methanol Plant Update

New Business:

- **Meeting and Council Members Protocol/Roberts Rules of Order** - Mayor Rivas reminded all council members that we are to adhere to Robert's Rules of Order during our meetings. She asked that council members try to get along and "leave personalities at home" and refrain from bickering. She also reminded everyone that after a motion is brought up, we will hear from the public before a final vote is taken on any new measure.
- **New Demolition Ordinance 14, Section 25 Amendment for Demolishing Structures with \$50 Permit Fee**

In response to an inquiry from a resident about demolishing his home, a proposal to amend the current ordinances with the addition of Section 25 on Demolishing Structures was written and read by Councilor Gedrose. The new ordinance and accompanying permit application were modeled after those in use by the cities of Rainier and St. Helens. The council unanimously voted the new ordinance in with one change in regards to the timeline being in compliance with the county ordinance. Councilor Gedrose made a motion to vote the new ordinance in and Councilor Larson seconded it.

- **Prescott Zip Code** - Mayor Rivas inquired with the postmaster in Rainier about our zip code. The postmaster said that as long as we use 97048, we can have our address read "Prescott, Oregon" rather than "Rainier, Oregon."
- **Trailer For Sale** - One of the landscapers offered \$700 to buy the old trailer that the city owns and used to use for hauling salt. Larry Hudnall thought he might know of a resident who might also want the trailer and would be willing to pay a little more. Councilor Blair made a motion to sell the trailer to the highest bidder. Councilor Gedrose seconded it.
- **Town Hall City Sewer Presentation October 22nd** - Mayor Rivas announced that there will be a special Town Hall meeting at 5 PM on October 22nd on the proposal for a new city sewer system. The new system construction would be covered by a grant with PGE who will also be using the new system for improvements to be made in the County Park.
- **Cancellation of meetings in November and December** - Mayor Rivas proposed that we cancel the last two meetings of the year because she will be gone for one and the other falls during a holiday week. It was decided that if after the Town Hall Meeting there was a need for a council meeting, we would hold one.

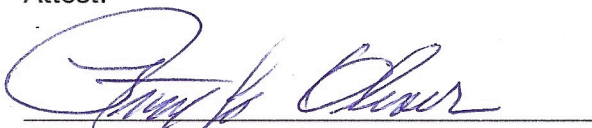
Issues from the Public:

- Councilor Oliver brought up his concerns about the amount of dust that comes from vehicles coming and going from the county park. He wondered who the best authority would be to address these issues of health and safety for the residents living especially close to the entrance. Possible solutions discussed were either watering or paving the road. Councilor Blair made a motion to have a council representative draft letters to the appropriate authorities - possibly DEQ, County Road Dept., or the State Environmental Health Dept. Councilor Oliver seconded the motion.

Adjourn:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilor Blair and seconded by Councilor Larson. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

Attest:



Mayor



City Recorder