

UNION CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
Monday, January 13, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
Leonard Almquist Council Chambers, 342 S. Main St, Union, OR 97883

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Councilor Leslie McMillan, Councilor Brian McDowell, Councilor Jay Blackburn, Mayor Leonard Flint, Councilor Matthew Later, Councilor John Farmer excused, Councilor Susan Hawkins, Student Liaison Emilee Freeman, and City Administrator Doug Wiggins.

The first item on tonight's agenda was discussion on the Charter Review, Chapters 10 – 12. Council and staff discussed on these chapters changes on the city debt which would comply with state standards. Council also discussed adjusting the amount they could decide to authorize in new debt, and when it would need voter approval, not Council approval. They also discussed what would be considered major debt, and where to set the limit.

Council and staff talked about setting the limit at about 2 million dollars in new debt that can be authorized by Council and anything above that must be approved by the voters. They also discussed just using a percentage and setting it at 1% of the city's total value.

On another section, Council and staff discussed the injury clause being looked at by the insurance company and attorney.

On the next sections 11 and 12 Council and staff discussed when these were added to the Charter and if they should be omitted entirely.

Dick Middleton 10th Street, discussed with Council about the water and sewer increases and when the people should get to vote on it. Council discussed changing the mass mailing part within this sentence.

There was further discussion on chapters 11 and 12 being removed completely. Mr. Middleton stated this was a part of Bertrand. It was pointed at one person more or less. It was vindictive type things.

Under the next agenda item, ATV update, CA Wiggins stated I talked to the attorney today, there will be a draft to go through on January 27th.

Lastly, under the deer abatement agenda item Mayor Flint stated it will be moved to the regular meeting to make a committee.

This meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Approved: _____
Mayor, Leonard Flint

Attest: _____
City Administrator/Recorder, Doug Wiggins