

UNION CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
Monday October 12, 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 Susan Hawkins, Councilor John Farmer arrived at 6:03 p.m., Councilor Terra Richter, and City Administrator Doug Wiggins.

Coy Wilde has a medical condition and will not be wearing a mask.

The first topic on the agenda were Student Council Liaison Applications. CA Wiggins stated we got one application from one student this year. She is here to answer questions, her name is Riley Later. Riley Later stated my dad used to be a Councilor. I am a senior in high school and very high in my class. I would like to learn how the city is run. Councilor Blackburn asked what are your plans after high school? Riley Later answered I plan to take a year off and work. Then go to college for architecture. Mayor Flint asked are you assisting on the building over here? Riley Later answered yes, I am working on that. I just got a job at the Dental Clinic here in Union. Councilor Richter asked if she is in sports or groups? Riley Later answered I am in cross country and track; I have served on committees. Mayor Flint stated thank you.

The next item was an update on the Water Rate Study. CA Wiggins stated since the presentation we have taken your comments and he is working them into his final report. We will be bringing that forward at the next meeting. You will get that information at the next work session. Councilor Hawkins asked can we get something to show the public what it looks like with an increase of 5% per year. I would like to see that alongside the proposals. CA Wiggins stated I will get that done for review.

Next, was an update on the UCSO Police Services Contract. CA Wiggins stated we did get our contract signed and it does designate an individual deputy for our town. Our contract is in effect. Tony Humphries is covering right now. They will not get the hours completed this month so they will pro rate the hours accordingly. Towards the end of the month we will get our officer. We will have an office for him at the ranger station. Councilor Hawkins asked about a phone number for the officer. CA Wiggins answered yes, he will have a local number that people can call. You can still call the sheriff's office for service as well. Councilor Blackburn asked if Tony is tracking his hours between the school and actual patrol hours. CA Wiggins answered yes, he is.

On the next item, the Weed Ordinance, CA Wiggins stated I have no new updates. We will try to amend the ordinance or if we are going to create a new ordinance. We want to update the definition section.

Then on the City Surplus Sale of Real Property/Update, the old public works shed CA Wiggins stated I have been working with Carter Wells, and the attorneys are working on a Memorandum of Agreement. Councilor Richter asked about the new ordinance officer. CA Wiggins stated her name is Becca Cole and today was her first day out in the field. She is getting out there and

learning. They moved here about a month ago, she is learning the town and enjoying it so far. Our city attorney is working on the Charter and a contract with the school district, and the city property that currently is not being used.

CA Wiggins said on the Street, I need to talk to the city attorney. We are looking for the right solution on the property behind the fire hall.

The last item on tonight's agenda was COVID-19: Discussions/Updates. CA Wiggins stated we have submitted \$90,000 for reimbursement and we have \$13,000 left. We did get a new cleaner for the bathroom that is hands free. It is like a power washer; it will be a great little system for our city.

This meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Approved: _____
Mayor, Leonard Flint

Attest: _____
City Administrator/Recorder, Doug Wiggins