



MINUTES

Council Work Session Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, April 11, 2022

Leonard Almquist Council Chambers, 342 S. Main St, Union, OR 97883

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

The City Council of the City of Union was called to order on April 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Leonard Almquist Council Chambers, 342 S. Main St, Union, OR 97883, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Mayor Leonard Flint, John Farmer, Susan Hawkins, and Tim Cox

EXCUSED: Leslie McMillan, Terra Richter, and Councilor Heidi Denton

2. PRESENTATIONS:

a) Sheriff's Report

Deputy Johnson said I thought it was spring until the last couple days. I am anticipating theft of gas with the rise in prices. I have been doing follow up on other things in the last few weeks. I have seen an uptick in animal calls as of late.

I have been keeping an eye on ATV traffic and giving them information. I am still helping with ambulance calls as well. I am hoping to be out on foot as the weather gets nicer. We had a report of missing children last month, but they were located and returned home. It is a possibility I will be moving but I will remain the deputy for Union. The housing market is crazy right now.

I am still working closely with the city and their ordinance officer; I plan on keeping that up. I have a training coming up next week and I will be out of town. I will also be switching my schedule up as well. We had a fire alarm at the school recently so we will be doing some training and drills at the school.

Councilor Hawkins asked Deputy Johnson about the laws on learners permits. He explained the restrictions on teen drivers and that some have received citations.

3. UPCOMING BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS:

a) Anderson and Perry Low Bid vs Best Value Bid

Dan Maebe said we are going to replace the building around well 2. We will replace piping and control system equipment. At well 3 we will add onto the building for a backup generator, Chlorine residual analyzer, and control system equipment.

Dave Wildman said the chlorine residual analyzer is what monitors the chlorine in the water. We have been through some processes on the wastewater screen. There is big team of people coming to do these upgrades to the wells. We want to avoid problems by hiring a contractor who can best complete the project and can work with other contractors. The city has to go through a process to request an exemption in this case because you will avoid further issues.

There are a few draw backs to this process. It takes more time for this proposal to be written. We are in a tough bidding environment right now and it will get busier making it more difficult. There have been less bidders on projects as well. We gave you a recommended motion in your packets as well.

Council, staff, and Mr. Wildman discussed the proposed motion for the next meeting.

Councilor Hawkins asked about getting needed materials on time.

Mr. Wildman answered we work with the contractors and set some restrictions set in the paperwork and ability to extend deadlines.

Council and Mr. Wildman discussed the different complications to building anything right now.

Everyone discussed a hopeful completion date. Council discussed the potential for bias because of a Councilor's job.

Council reviewed the work order in their packet.

b) Main Street Union Presentation

CA Wiggins said they are coming to talk to you tonight at the business meeting.

c) Surplus Sale Resolution

CA Wiggins said this covers two vehicles we are putting up for bid. We are getting rid of some inventory we don't need.

d) Budget Adjustment Resolution

CA Wiggins said we are coming to the end of our budget year, and these are just some adjustments that are needed.

4. COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS:

a) Fire/EMS Committee

Councilor Hawkins said we are having a meeting on April 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. to go over the budget again. Councilor Cox explained how the new district can be created and that it must be voted on in the election.

b) Parks Committee

CA Wiggins said we did meet with parks. Main Street wants to take on this project and give the city some direction.

5. ORDINANCE/CHARTER REVIEW:

a) Ordinance Committee

Councilor Hawkins said we met once on the first section of ordinances and we meet again on April 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. We will look at the next section of ordinances.

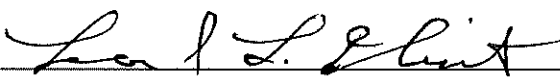
6. OTHER:

Dick Middleton 10th Street said I want it to be noted this here is a valve with a leak. We have way too much calcium coming through our water. This is in our water and going to our citizens.

Council asked staff about monitoring on calcium. CA Wiggins said we do have hard water here. The best thing our citizens can do is put a water softener in.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

This meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.



Mayor



City Administrator