



MINUTES

Council Work Session Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, December 13, 2021

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 December 13, 2021, 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, Leslie McMillan, Terra Richter, and Tim Cox

EXCUSED: Councilor Heidi Denton

2. PRESENTATIONS:

3. UPCOMING BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS:

- a) Resolution 21-09 Accounts Receivable Adjustments

CA Wiggins said this is for you to look over. Hopefully, we can pass this at the next meeting. This will add another level of security and fix an error found in the audit.

- b) Resolution 21-10 Fire/Ems Pay

CA Wiggins said this is what we discussed; we added the motor vehicle accident for 2 points. Every month \$2,200 will be spent on our volunteers, this will be easy to budget for. We had already had a trial run and the results have been very good.

4. COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS:

- a) City Fire/Rural fire Update

Councilor Cox said hopefully we are meeting tomorrow at 6 p.m. We will meet at the fire hall.

- b) Voucher signing

Mayor Flint said the city staff is frustrated with trying to get vouchers signed by the Council. It is important for our financial controls. CA Wiggins said in the

2017 the audit said that the Council needs to review these vouchers. We go to just paying bills once a month or we continue our current system. Councilor Hawkins suggested that it is the councilor's responsibility to find a replacement for signing if they can't be there for their turn.

Council discussed the need for everyone to step up and make sure this gets done.

c) Deputy Report

Deputy Johnson said we had a couple of attempted break in's and one break in. Please call 911 to report crimes, not my private cell phone number. I am glad no one was hurt. I am starting to write more tickets; snowmobiles are not allowed. I am going to be telling people not to pull kids around town on sleds on the road. They aren't made for that. I deal with situations that start civil but could turn criminal quickly. I try to be a mediator, but my hands are tied if there isn't a crime. I have been taking time to help out at the schools. There are less people out and about right now due to the cold weather. I still have a group of juveniles causing issues.

Council said they appreciate everything you do.

d) Buffalo Flats Projects

Mayor Flint said you have a letter sitting in front of you that Councilor Hawkins wrote.

Councilor Hawkins said we didn't receive respect from the Buffalo Flats Project people. We still haven't received any answers to our questions. Mayor Flint told the background on this matter.

Councilor Hawkins read the letter for the record.

CA Wiggins said when the time comes for the city to sign off on their land use forms that is when you have public hearings before the Council. Then Council won't make a good decision because they didn't get the information out more quickly. When I get the paperwork, I will bring it before the Council. They will be required to provide the data at that time as well.

Dick Middleton 10th Street said the fish only get as far as Godley. They said they would look at the letters.

Council discussed needing to know information to make a good decision.

CA Wiggins said we need a weed and pest management plan and that was argued about. The other was how it would affect growth in the city? Are we going to have to move city boundaries, who will pay for that study? I asked these questions. We need to be able to plan for our future. Little Creek is where the flooding occurs for the last 3 or 4 years.

Council discussed the many issues with changing the flood plain.

Dick Middleton said from what I found out; they have to have a FEMA study on the flood plain, hopefully it will be public. They said it is none of our business because it is on private ground.

Council and staff discussed putting this information on the web for the citizens. They also discussed other ways of getting information spread to all citizens.

Dick Middleton I can give you a copy of my concerns.

CA Wiggins said we just need to get information out to people.

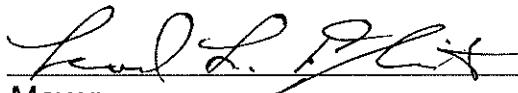
5. ORDINANCE/CHARTER REVIEW:

a) TLT Update

6. OTHER:

7. ADJOURNMENT:

This meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



Mayor



City Administrator