

**TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

January 15, 2020

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rod Cross called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present	Absent	
X		Mayor Rod Cross
	X	Council President Joshua Smith
X		Councilor Jackie Kauffman
	X	Councilor Heather Jukich
X		Councilor Bill Dalbey
X		Councilor Stu Strom
X		Councilor Betty Kamikawa

Staff present: City Manager Pro Tem (CM) Wes Hare, Finance Director (FD) Judy Richter, City Recorder (CR) Lisa Figueroa

2. Presentation of Award

Co-Fire Chief Joe Ammons presented an award to student Jenny Demaris for her efforts in attempting to save a life.

3. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items for consideration.

5. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no items for consideration.

6. DECISION ITEMS

Resolution No. 1430 A Resolution authorizing a loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund by entering into a financing contract with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

CM Hare provided a report to the Council. He noted the report is the funding component of some of the projects that were included in the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Mutual Agreement and Order. He said the first component was the completion of the Butler Bridge force main and the City is now moving forward with replacing the old sewer lines. He said the City is replacing main lines and indicated but because there is federal money involved the City will be required to conduct a cultural assessment, an air quality report, and other analysis. The Council asked if the City will need to obligate \$1.3 million for the agreement. FD Richter indicated up to \$500,000 is a forgivable loan.

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Dalbey/Strom) to approve Resolution No. 1430, A Resolution authorizing a loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) by entering into a financing contract with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the motion carried unanimously.

Consider approval of participation with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to plan improvements to the fish ladder on the Mill Creek Dam

CM Hare reported the fish ladder on Mill Creek dam is not adequate for the fish to reach the reservoir to spawn. He said the City owns the dam and the fish ladder and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has identified some improvements to the fish ladder that will make it less of a barrier to the fish. He said the City is partnering with ODFW to apply for the grant and noted the City is not committed to any expenditures in the grant but there may be some administrative costs.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Strom/Kauffman) to approve participation with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to plan improvements to the fish ladder on the Mill Creek Dam and the motion carried unanimously.

Consider agreement with Dyer Engineering to provide engineering services to Arcadia Dr. and Spruce St. overlay projects

CM Hare summarized the Council report and said the City has acquired small City allotment grants to complete two projects [one on Arcadia Dr. and one on Spruce St.]. He said staff is requesting to combine both projects and solicited Dyer to draft a scope of services. The Council discussed the project.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Strom/Dalbey) to approve the agreement and scope of services proposed by Dyer Engineering to complete budgeted work on Arcadia Drive and Spruce Streets and the motion carried unanimously.

Appointment to the Planning Commission

CM Hare provided the Council report and indicated it is a re-appointment of a current member.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Cross/Kauffman) to re-appoint Penny Ryerson to the Planning Commission for a four year term.

7. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

FD Richter reported she and CR Figueroa met with the Community Services Consortium (CSC) in regards to the H2O program. She indicated they would be updating the agreement to reflect the current procedures. She said CSC has allocated all \$1,800 the City provided them earlier in the year. She noted the City specified income eligibility guidelines for CSC to follow but CSC uses Federal guidelines for all their other programs and she suggested the City allow them to use those guidelines.

FD Richter reported on the wage and classification study. She said staff solicited three agencies but only received two proposals. She said one was from HR Answers, who was recommended by LGPI and is an Oregon based business. She said the other proposal was from a company in Florida

and they did not include any information on the Oregon Pay Equity Law. She said HR Answers initially provided a proposal of \$24,000 but after a conference call with them, they revised their proposal to \$18,000. She informed the Council on the process and noted the compliance with the Oregon Equal Pay Law is a priority. She said if the study found pay inequities the City would need to retro-pay back to January 1, 2019. She said HR Answers will also review job descriptions. There was a consensus of the Council to bring back more information including the proposal.

CM Hare updated the Council on the City Manager recruitment process. He said the advertisement has been posted again and they have received several applications. He provided an update on the Georgia-Pacific (GP) Mill Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) and said the County introduced an additional fee to GP but GP is waiting to hear how much the additional fee will be. He informed the Council on the status of Fire Chief Larry Robeson and said he has more movement in his leg and arm. He said the City has not picked up the ladder truck yet, which is still being outfitted.

Councilor Kamikawa said she received comments about the crosswalk on Business Highway 20 near R&J Auto Repair. Chief Pace suggested the City install more signage near the crosswalk. She said she went to a Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting and said they want to do a pilot project locally in regards to using recycled plastics in the road through Oregon State University (OSU). She said there are 1.1 million plastic bottles for one mile of road and it increases the life of the road up to three times. There is a \$5,000 increase in cost for every mile, but there is less maintenance and repair. She said OSU indicated they would need to raise \$100,000 for a pilot project.

Mayor Cross informed Staff that CSC and the Cascades West Council of Governments will merge within a couple of years. He said it was good to see lots of different organizations at the MidCoast Watershed Planning Partnership meeting last week. He said the meeting was for self-providers like GP, or people who have their own wells.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

/s/City Recorder Lisa Figueroa

/s/Mayor Rod Cross