

**TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

February 17, 2021

6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rod Cross called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. electronically via Zoom in Toledo, Oregon.

Present	Absent	
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Mayor Rod Cross</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Council President Joshua Smith</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Jackie Kauffman</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Heather Jukich</u>
<u> </u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Councilor Todd Michels</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Betty Kamikawa</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Bill Dalbey</u>

Staff present: City Manager (CM) Judy Richter, City Recorder (CR) Lisa Figueroa, Police Chief (PC) Michael Pace, Public Works Director (PWD) Bill Zuspan, City Attorney (CA) David Robinson, Library Director (LD) Deborah Trusty

Visitors present: Carolyn Jones, Craig Lash, Cindy Olivieri

CP Smith requested to consider the Consent Agenda first and discuss his role as the Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation representative because he will not be able to attend those meetings moving forward.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Consider approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held January 20, 2021 and the Work Session held January 27, 2021

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Dalbey) approve the consent agenda as presented and the motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of appointing a new Council representative to the Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation Committee

The Council discussed the Committee’s responsibilities and roles. Following discussion Councilor Kamikawa volunteered to be the Council representative and Mayor Cross volunteered as the alternate.

CP Smith left the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Public Works Water Treatment Plant presentation

PWD Zuspan provided a presentation on the operations and introduced the employees at the Water Treatment Plant.

Councilor Michels arrived at 6:09 p.m.

PWD Zuspan reported to the Council on an inflow & infiltration (I&I) project on A Street the department recently completed. He said it has made an impact and noted there was no indication of overflow during the last rain storm.

4. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

5. DISCUSSION

Department Annual Update – Public Works

PWD Zuspan said the goal of the department in the last year was to use the skills of staff to their maximum potential and the department was able to save the City \$275,000 by completing I&I and other facility/maintenance projects in-house. He answered clarification questions in regards to current projects. There was discussion about having an engineer review the engineering of the Mill Creek project to ensure it is prepared to the scope of work as noted.

Councilor Kamikawa left the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Keys to the City

Councilor Dalbey said he requested this item be on the agenda because of a comment made at the last meeting in regards to Timber Unity receiving the keys to the city. He indicated he would like to understand how all the Timber Unity signs appeared simultaneously. Mayor Cross clarified he presented a sawblade to Timber Unity on behalf of the Toledo Summer Festival and was not there in the Mayor capacity. There was discussion about how the City is represented and whether the Mayor must confer with the Council before he attends meetings/events as Mayor. There was a consensus of the Council not to require the Mayor confer with the Council before he attends any meetings/events as a representative.

Councilor Kamikawa arrived at 7:06 p.m.

6. DECISION ITEMS

Resolution No. 1458, A resolution of the Toledo City Council agreeing to apply for financial assistance to fund the Arts Toledo Project

CM Richter provided the council report. She said if this is funded, there will be a focus on a regional marketing plan as well as training to Toledo businesses on how they can market their business.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Kauffman/Kamikawa) to adopt Resolution No. 1458, A Resolution of the Toledo City Council agreeing to apply for financial assistance to fund the Arts Toledo Project and the motion carried unanimously.

Approve an expenditure of \$45,000 to purchase a lightly used skid

PWD Zuspan provided the council report and said the grinder will assist in fixing potholes. He said if the City purchased this tool, staff would be able to conduct most of the repairs in house instead of hiring contractors.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Michels/Kauffman) to approve an expenditure of \$45,000 to purchase a lightly used skid steer with an asphalt grinder attachment and the motion carried unanimously.

7. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

PWD Zuspan updated the Council on recent projects and thanked Council for approving the purchase of the Skid Steer.

LD Trusty said library checkouts are increasing every week.

PC Pace reported the Police Department will be installing new dispatch desks in the upcoming weeks and commented on the end of the year report included in the packet.

CM Richter reminded the Council about the goal setting scheduled on Tuesday, February 23. She noted there are still openings on the Budget Committee and Planning Commission. She informed the Council about the two properties Northwest Coastal Housing was interested in to develop affordable housing. She said one property is in the Urban Growth Boundary and would need to be annexed into the City limits, while the other property may need to be re-zoned. She said those tasks cannot be completed before the March 24 deadline. She said she spoke with Ms. Stiley about the situation, who indicated there will be other opportunities available in the future and the City could still move forward with the processes it needs to but to keep Ms. Stiley informed.

Councilor Kamikawa said she received an e-mail from Matt Curtis of Smart City Policy group, who recommends the first Monday in March be recognized as COVID Memorial Day by proclamation. There was a consensus of the Council to include the proclamation on the February 24 work session.

Councilor Dalbey commented on the discussion on January 27 and expressed concern at how the discussion ended. He indicated he believes the current principles of the Timber Unity group support the foundation on what the organization was built on and announced his resignation from the Council effective immediately.

Mr. Dalbey left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mayor Cross announced a call for artists application has been published on behalf of ART Toledo for the Arts Revitalization project and the deadline is March 8. He said they are hoping to fill four storefronts in the upcoming months. He noted they also received a \$10,000 grant for a mural project. He commented on Mr. Dalbey's resignation and expressed appreciation for his service to the Council.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

/s/City Recorder Lisa Figueroa

/s/Mayor Rod Cross