

TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 15, 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 Rob Duprau</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Todd Michels</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Betty Kamikawa</u>
<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Councilor Wade Carey</u>

Staff present: City Manager (CM) Judy Richter, City Recorder (CR) Lisa Figueroa, Police Chief (PC) Michael Pace, Public Works Director (PWD) Bill Zuspan, Fire Chief (FC) Larry Robeson, City Attorney (CA) David Robinson, Assistant Library Director (ALD) Harrison Baker

2. PRESENTATIONS

15 Neighborhoods

Rita Lovelady addressed the City Council. She presented information in regards to a ballot that will be included on the November ballot. She said the measure is to eliminate short term vacation rentals (less than 30 days a month) within the unincorporated areas of Lincoln County. She said there are approximately 2,155 vacation rental (homes) in Lincoln County. She expressed concern that those homes could be used for people working in the County instead. She encouraged everyone to vote yes on Measure 21-203. There was discussion of the measure and clarification questions asked. Ms. Lovelady indicated that anyone in Lincoln County can vote on the measure.

3. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from the meeting held August 18, 2021

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Carey) to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and the motion carried unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION

Town Hall

CM Richter commented about the inclement weather expected this weekend and recommended the Council push the Town Hall to a later date and inside instead of having it at Memorial Field.

After some discussion, the Council changed the date to October 16 and CR Figueroa would contact the Jr./High School for permission to use the cafeteria.

6. DECISION ITEMS

Approve an expenditure of \$82,100 to perform liner installation in 24 manholes

PWD Zuspan provided the council report and compared the bids received, which were included in the packet. The Council did not have any questions.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Kauffman) to approve an expenditure of up to \$82,100 to install liners in 24 manholes and the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1474, A resolution of the Toledo City Council in regards to coronavirus (COVID-19) mask and vaccination mandates

Mayor Cross presented the council report and indicated the proposed resolution was reviewed by the City Attorney, the League of Oregon Cities legal department as well as the City/County Insurance Services (CIS) legal department; all of whom did not raise any issues. He said the resolution indicates the Council's position is supportive of wearing masks indoors and anyone who gets the Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine, however, the City will not mandate its employees to get the vaccination. He said the reason the City will not require it, is because there is no Federal, State or City Charter law that provides the Council that authority. CM Richter commented on the fact that the Oregon Health Authority has mandated Emergency Medical Service personnel be required to get the vaccination. She said she believes it is up to the person to decide for themselves and there was discussion in regards to whether CIS has provided any input on the issue. There was discussion about waivers being available for exceptions to getting the vaccination. Council Smith noted several typographical and grammatical errors within the Resolution.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Michels) to approve Resolution No. 1474, a resolution of the Toledo City Council in regards to coronavirus (COVID-19) mask and vaccination mandates as amended and the motion carried unanimously.

Contribution Committee recommendations

CR Figueroa provided the council report. She indicated the total amount requested by all the organizations equaled \$21,150 but the Committee's recommendations equaled \$11,400, which was the same amount available in the Contributions budget.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Kauffman) to approve the Contribution Committee's funding recommendation as presented and the motion carried unanimously.

Approve an expenditure of up to \$280,000 for the purchase and installation of a backup generator at Siletz River pump station

PWD Zuspan summarized the council report and indicated the storm that occurred last winter left the City with no water source. He said the expenditure is part of the 2021-2022 Capital Improvement Project budget.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Carey/Kamikawa) to approve an expenditure of up to \$280,000 for the purchase and installation of a backup generator for the Siletz River pump station and the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Amendment No 1 to the Sewer Force Mainline Replacement & Collection System Improvements Financing with Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority

CM Richter said the Council discussed the contract in a previous meeting and the final contract is now before them for approval. She said originally the City had a loan for \$650,000 but because of a grant, the loan decreased to \$325,000. She said Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority/Business Oregon allowed the City to change the budget on the loan so the total borrowing is \$675,000 but is only an additional \$350,000 for the project.

Motion – It was moved and seconded (Smith/Kamikawa) to approve Amendment No 1 to the Sewer Force Mainline Replacement & Collection System Improvements with Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority for a total of \$675,000 and the motion carried unanimously.

7. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

ALD Baker reported on the Library's activities and indicated the Library is considering adding some adult oriented programs. He said they have the complete set of the books included on the 'Battle of the Books' list for this year. He said there will be a special display for banned book week and there will be a giveaway in October for anyone who checks out a scary movie or book.

PWD Zuspan provided an update on the Public Works department projects. He commented on the street sweeping and other ongoing projects such as the fish ladders. He reported Central Lincoln PUD will be replacing poles along 2nd Street.

PC Pace thanked the Fire Department on their 9-1-1 Memorial and indicated the new dispatcher will start Academy in the next week. He said hopefully there will be two new employees within the next month.

CM Richter presented a glass float that was received by the Fire Department for their efforts in the wildfires last year. She read a letter of appreciation, which stated the float has ashes infused into it from the Echo Mountain Wildfire. She reminded the Council about the Executive Session next week. She noted she spoke with Seal Rock Water District, who indicated they may continue to purchase water through November or December and would provide updates to the City closer to October.

Councilor Kamikawa stated the joint meeting with the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners should be available now on YouTube. She said they had some good discussions.

Mayor Cross indicated he will be on vacation and then said he is looking forward to the Town Hall.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

/s/Mayor Rod Cross

/s/City Recorder Lisa Figueroa