

City of Lowell, Oregon
Minutes of the City Council Meeting
August 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Mayor Paulson

Members Present: Mayor Paulson, Marisa Alvarez, Jim Burford, Gary Reese, Pam Bryant

Members Absent: None

Public Comments, Specific: 7:03 PM

- Matt Graves, Partner, Pauly, Rogers and Company, P.C. presented the FY 2011-2012 audit and answered questions.

Public Comments, General: 7:37 PM

- Suzanne Kintzley read and submitted her statement regarding the council direction.
- Hall O'Regan spoke in regards to council format.
- James Beason spoke in regards to homeless persecution.
- Gary "Erma" Sloss spoke in regards to Public Works Dept.

Approval of Minutes: 7:45 PM

- Councilor Bryant moved and Councilor Reese seconded to approve the minutes from July 16, 2013 with a correction under Old Business to state that Councilor Bryant's statement read: She strongly prefers to employ new City Administrator via an Independent Contractor contract but is willing to consider the new Administrator being an employee as long as his/her contract is strongly protective of the city much more so, than the previous contract and addresses termination rights of the city. **PASSED 4:1 Councilor Burford opposed.**
- Mayor Paulson moved and Councilor Reese seconded that the last sentence under approval of minutes (July 16, 2013) be changed to read:
After these edits/suggestions were noted the June 11 minutes were approved by consensus. The June 18, 2013 minutes are to be brought back to the Council for review. **Passed 5:0**

Approval of Expenditures: 7:52 PM

- Mayor Paulson moved and Councilor Reese seconded the August 6, 2013 Expenditures with the exception of Amsan, which Mayor Paulson will meet with staff and clarify tomorrow, August 7, 2013.
PASSED 3:2 Councilor Burford and Alvarez opposed.

Old Business: 8:03 PM

- Public Comment, Judith Rennert regarding concern if public is aware of the ability to participate in the process of selecting City Administrator.
- Status of Permanent City Administrator Recruitment discussed.

New Business: 8:15 PM

- Public Comment, Robert Burr and Della Stinson regarding dog leash law
- Councilor Bryant initiated conversation regarding city-wide dog leash law.
- Public Comment, Della Stinson regarding Park Use Restrictions.
- Mayor Paulson initiated conversation regarding park use and restrictions.

Adjourn: 8:48 pm (Due to meeting interruption)

Meeting reconvened at 8:52 pm

Reports:

- Will Hartwig of Public Works read and submitted a report regarding the status and concerns of the Public Works Department.

Adjourn: 8:59 p.m.

Approved: _____
Stephen Paulson, Mayor