

**City of Lowell, Oregon**  
**Minutes of the City Council Meetings**  
**July 19, 2016**

The regular meeting was called to order at 11:50 AM by Mayor Bennett.

**Members Present:** Mayor Bennett, Maggie Osgood, Steve Paulson, Jim Burford, Gail Harris

**Consent Agenda:** Councilor Paulson requested the Voucher Directory for July 5, 2016 be removed from the consent agenda. **Councilor Paulson moved to approve the Minutes for June 21, 2016 and the Voucher Directory for July 19, 2016 second by Councilor Burford. PASS 5:0**

**Public Comments:** None

**Council Comments:** None

**City Administrators Report:** CA Cobb reported on the Bike Route Connectivity Group Meeting he attended on June 30, 2016. There are plans to connect City Hall to high-speed fiber internet. He relayed discussions with Milo Mecham the City Attorney regarding the Charter Amendment and paperwork for online utility billing has been done. He reported on improvements accomplished in the accounting department. A reminder given to pick candidate election packets at City Hall for upcoming election.

**Quarterly Financial Report:** Discussion followed on report provided.

**Public Works Report:** Max Baker, Public Works Director reported on sidewalk repair, a local contractor has been selected. Air hand dryers have been delivered, working on having them installed in the Parks restrooms prior to Blackberry Jam Festival. An annual maintenance program is being established, early stages of algae bloom has started, and code enforcements continue.

**Police Report:** June report provided. Discussion followed.

**Business Meeting:** Councilor Paulson questioned why the Voucher Directory for July 5, 2016 was on this agenda. CA Cobb responded that it was for informational purposes only.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business: 12:25 PM**

- **Legislative Priorities** - CA introduced item. Discussion followed on the Council's top 4 priorities: Restore Recreational Immunity, Veterans Preference Clarifications, Funding Water System Resilience and Water Supply Development Fund.
- **Approval to advertise RFP for Annual Accounting Services** – CA introduced item. **Councilor Paulson moved to approve the advertisement of RFP #071916, second by Councilor Burford. PASS 5:0**

**Other Business:** CA inquired of the Council if they would like a facilitator for moving forward with the Vision and Mission Statements. The Council agreed to move forward with Dr. Walt Hanline.

**Mayor's Comments:** None  
**Council Comments:** None  
**Public Comments:** None

**Adjourn: 12:38 PM**

Approved:   
Don Bennett, Mayor

8-10-16  
Date