

City of Lowell, Oregon
Minutes of the City Council Meetings
June 7, 2016

Executive Session called to order at 6:32 PM by Mayor Bennett

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

Executive Session: ORS 192.660(2)(f) – To consider information or records that are exempt by law for public inspection.

Adjourn: 6:50 PM

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

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

Presentation: Lane County Economic Development – Rural Economic Prosperity Initiative presented by Stephen Dobrinich and Aniko Drlik-Muehleck.

Recess: 7:38 PM

Public Hearings Open: 7:38 PM

- **Proposed Uses of State Revenue Sharing**

Public Hearing Closed: 7:40 PM

Public Hearing Open: 7:40 PM

- **Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget and Imposing and Categorizing Tax**

Public Hearings Closed: 7:42 PM

Back in Session: 7:42 PM

Consent Agenda: Councilor Burford moved to approve the agenda for May 17, 2016, second by Councilor Paulson. PASS 5:0

Public Comments: None

Council Comments: None

City Administrators Report: CA Cobb reported on Recreational Immunity, Accounting Contract, SDC Training, the Library 10-Year Anniversary Celebration and Council Visitation.

Public Works Report: Max Baker, Public Works Director reported on the tree removal project, that both air blowers for the digester quit working, one has been replaced and the other has been sent for repairs. Water production is increasing and code enforcement continues.

Old Business: None

New Business: 8:01 PM

- **Resolution 650 – A Resolution Certifying Services – CA introduced item. Councilor Paulson moved to adopt Resolution 650 Certifying Services, second by Councilor Burford. PASS 5:0**
- **Resolution 651 – Declaring the City’s Election to Receive State Revenues for Fiscal Year 2016-17 – CA introduced item. Councilor Burford moved to approve Resolution 651, second by Councilor Paulson. PASS 5:0**
- **Resolution 652 – Adopting the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget and Imposing and Categorizing Tax – CA introduced item. Councilor Burford move to approve Resolution 652, second by Councilor Paulson. Discussion followed. PASS 5:0**
- **Resolution 653 – Establishing Water and Sewer Rates – CA introduced item. Councilor Burford move to approve Resolution 653, second by Councilor Paulson. Discussion followed. PASS 5:0**
- **Referral – Marijuana Tax – CA introduced item, followed by discussion. Mayor Bennett moved to refer the marijuana tax to the voters, while authorizing the City Attorney to prepare a Ballot Title and CA to a draft explanatory statement. Failed for lack of a second.**
- **Referral – Amending Section 28 of the City Charter for Filling Council Vacancies – CA and Mayor introduced item. Discussion followed. Council would like to proceed with the process. CA will return with a plan.**
- **Restructuring City Hall Operations – CA introduced item, discussion followed. Councilor Paulson move to approve the restructuring of City Hall operations as proposed by CA and to keep Council informed of progress and any changes to the presented plan. Second by Councilor Burford. PASS 5:0**

Other Business: None

Mayor’s Comments: Commented on the School District Summer Activity Program and the Library Summer Reading Program.

Council Comments: None

Public Comments: Gary Reese 237 E 4th Street, commented on the requirements for marijuana prohibition.

Adjourn: 9:05 PM

Approved: 
Don Bennett, Mayor

6-27-16
Date