

City of Lowell, Oregon
Minutes of the City Council Meeting
April 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Mayor Bennett

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

Presentation: Tracy Placido, Chief of Staff, Representative Cedric Hayden introduced self to Council, and answered questions from the Council and community members.

Consent Agenda: Councilor Burford moved to accept the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Paulson. PASS 5:0

Public Comments: None

Council Comments: None

City Administrators Report: CA Cobb reported on pedestrian improvements, annual operating and capital budget first draft, Lowell School District Facilities Master Plan, and Goal Setting Meeting dates discussed.

Police Report: Provided in packet

Quarterly Financial Report: Provided in packet, CA gave an overview and a review of Cash and Investment Activity Report. Discussion followed.

Police Report: Provided in packet

Draft Minutes: Park Advisory Committee Meeting 4/7/2016 included in packet. Discussion followed.

Old Business: None

New Business: 7:38 PM

- **Utility Account Review and Requests for Annual Averaging** – CA introduced item, Lowell School District submitted a letter of request. **Councilor Paulson moved to give the CA the authority to approve requests for calculating EDUs for meter sizes greater than ¾ inch by averaging annual water use. Second by Councilor Harris.** Discussion followed, Max Baker, Public Works Director responded to Councilors questions. **PASS 5:0**

- **Liquor License Renewal** – CA introduced item, **Councilor Paulson moved to recommend approval, motion failed for lack of a second.** The OLCC will process the renewal application as a favorable recommendation.

- **Resolution 645 – Authorizing Interfund Loan to the Sewer Fund** – CA introduced item, recommending the City to borrow \$40,000 from the Water Fund to cover the negative cash balance in the Sewer Fund. **Councilor Harris moved to approve Resolution 645 as amended, second by Councilor Osgood.** Discussion followed with concern on how the Resolution is written. **Councilor Paulson moved to defer Resolution 645 until next meeting, second by Councilor Burford. PASS 5:0**

Other Business: CA presented a request from Pam Bryant on behalf of the ED/EZ Committee requesting funding for advertising Lowell in the Discovery Magazine distributed in the Register Guard. **Councilor Paulson moved to approve \$1,540.00 for a display ad in the Discovery Magazine, motion failed for lack of a second.**

Mayor's Comments: Mayor attended Lowell Fire Board Meeting, they looking for volunteers, Bridgeway Charter Academy Home School has 50 students enrolled, and will begin advertising soon, and it was reported 1,000 contestants were on the water at the rowing event this past weekend, with a large group of spectators on hand.

Public Comments: Idella Stinson 26 E 3rd Street, reported young boys climbing on the roof of the picnic shelter, concerned about liability, CA responded to her concern.

Council Comments: None

Adjourn: 8:18 PM

Approved: 
Don Bennett, Mayor

5-4-16
Date