

**City of Lowell, Oregon  
Minutes of the City Council Meeting  
February 17, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by Mayor Bennett

**Members Present:** Mayor Bennett, , Maggie Osgood, Steve Paulson, Judith Rennert

**Member Absent:** Jim Burford

**Consent Agenda: Councilor Paulson moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Rennert. PASS 4:0**

**Public Comments General:** Pam Weaver 38 Wetleau Dr., provided suggestions for the St. Vincent de Paul housing development.

**Council Comments:** Mayor Bennett would like the council to provide CA Lee with written ideas where they would like to go with the City in the next 6 months.

**Staff Reports:** CA provided Budget Committee Roster and information on E-cigarette to council and CA responded to questions from the Council. Public Works written report provided, along with Police Report, BBJ Meeting minutes, Park Advisory Committee Minutes and Library Report.

**Old Business: 7:25 PM**

- **Regional Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (RHRP) Proposal - Andy Clay of St. Vincent de Paul requesting to use funds differently. Councilor Paulson moved that we authorize the City's RHRP representative to approve the use of Defederalized Funds to supplement loans for the amount of \$34,406 for Home Of Your Own Program (HOYOP). Seconded by Councilor Rennert.** Discussion followed, with questions answered by Mr. Clay. **PASS 4:0** Discussion and questions on the proposal of selling up to 4 lots outside of the HOYOP followed.

**New Business: 8:00 PM**

- **Request to change Accounting Clerk from Temporary Part-Time to Permanent Part-Time – CA requesting change. Councilor Osgood moved to make the Accounting Clerk permanent part-time, seconded by Councilor Paulson.** Discussion followed with questions answered by CA. **PASS 4:0**

- **Selection of Planning Commissioners – Mayor Bennett introduced item. Councilor Paulson moved to reappoint Gail Harris and Mary Wallace for the 2 year positions, seconded by Councilor Osgood. PASS 4:0 Mayor Bennett moved to appoint Warren Weathers for the 1 year position, seconded by Councilor Osgood. FAIL 2:2 Councilor Rennert moved to appoint Pam Bryant to the 1 year position of Planning Commission, seconded by Councilor Paulson. FAIL 2:2 Councilor Osgood nominated Nancy Garratt for position, seconded by Mayor Bennett, PASS 3:1**

**Other Business: 8:06 PM**

- Councilor Rennert commented on the previous council meeting wage report, CA responded.

**Public Comments: 8:10 PM**

Idella Stinson 26 E 3<sup>rd</sup> St., commented on the topic of E-cigarettes and how she is missing the lights being on at the Covered Bridge. Pam Bryant 117 S. Alder St., spoke on the feral cat issue. Discussion followed. Ken Larsen 657 N. Moss St., thanked the Mayor for his comment earlier in wanting to move the city forward.

**Adjourn: 8:23 PM**

Approved:   
Don Bennett, Mayor

  
Date