

City of Lowell, Oregon
Minutes of the City Council Regular Session & Executive Session
Tuesday November 16, 2021

The Regular Session was called to order at 7:01 PM by Mayor Bennett.

Members Present: Mayor Don Bennett, Gail Harris, Tim Stratis, John Myers, Maureen Weathers

Staff Present: CA Jeremy Caudle, Public Works Director Max Baker

Meeting agenda: additions – CA Caudle to give update on Rolling Rock Park. Councilor Stratis has requested time to make a statement regarding the Holiday decorations.

Consent Agenda: Councilor Myers moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Councilor Stratis. PASS 5:0

Public Comments: None

Council Comments: None

City Administrator Report: CA Caudle presented report which included Library project update, specific to the Ford Family Foundation Grant. And the city was encouraged to hold another Library Fundraiser to show current interest by the community. Lane County Economic Development has verified that they are still willing to make available to the city \$50,000.00 grant to assist in offsetting the cost of building a conference room. Shade Tree Program for Paul Fisher Park update. E Main Street property update. City officials are now Mandated child abuse reporters. New rules imposed by the Oregon Legislative Assembly re the use of contracted building officials. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act info. Water Treatment plant/Distribution update. Located a large leak and were able to correct with parts in stock. Discussed new water meters currently in use and benefits of moving forward with more replacement of meters.

Public Works Report: Max Baker, Public Works Director presented report which included the Rolling Rock park clean up. Blackberry cleanup has been completed and looks great. Report on the preparations for the Bridge lighting and Holiday Decorations.

Police Report: October report provided in packet.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- **Motion to approve a “Memorandum of Understanding” with Northwest Code Professionals related to floodplain management and to authorize the City Administrator to sign. Councilor Stratis moved to approve the MOU as presented, second by Councilor Harris. PASS 5:0**
- **Motion to authorize the City Administrator to purchase 100 quantity Kamstrup**

flowIQ2250 water meters from Correct Equipment in the amount not to exceed \$30,000. Councilor Harris moved to approve the motion as presented, second by Councilor Myers. PASS 5:0

- Motion to approve a “General Application” with Business Oregon’s Special Public Works Fund to finance the Maggie Osgood Library and City Hall construction project, and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Councilor Harris moved to approve the motion as presented, second by Councilor Stratis. PASS 5:0
- Discussion and further direction on police services within the City of Lowell. Council

Other Business:

- Rolling Rock Park update- presented by CA Caudle – request to have a joint City Council/Parks committee meeting, early in the 2022.
- Parks decorating for the Holidays discussion and update by Councilor Stratis.

Mayor Comments: None

Councilor Comments: None

Community Comments: None

Adjourn Regular Session: 8:18 PM

Executive Session was called to order at 8:20 PM by Mayor Bennett.

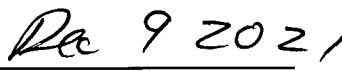
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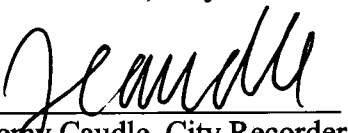
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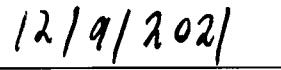
- Conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions, pursuant to O.R.S. 192.660(2)(e)

Adjourn: 8:47 PM

Approved: 
Don Bennett, Mayor


Date

Attest: 
Jeremy Caudle, City Recorder


Date