

MINUTES
Warrenton City Commission
Work Session – November 22, 2022
5:15 p.m.
Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers
225 S. Main
Warrenton, OR 97146

Mayor Balensifer called the work session to order at 5:15 p.m.

City Commissioners Present: Mayor Henry Balensifer, Tom Dyer, Mark Baldwin, Paul Mitchell, and Gerald Poe

Staff Present: City Manager Esther Moberg, Police Chief Mathew Workman, Public Works Utility Worker Jim McCarthy, City Recorder Dawne Shaw, and Deputy City Recorder Brittney Johnson

Warrenton Police Chief Mathew Workman gave a presentation on ordinance revisions. He stated on August 11, 2020, we had a discussion about the various events and subsequent issues that occurred on the streets and parks in Warrenton. We found out when these events did occur, through our current ordinances do not prohibit that kind of activity. Chief went over ordinances 90.04.200 street and sidewalk offenses, 10.04.030 traffic regulations, 10.04.104 storage of motor vehicles on street, 10.04.160 prohibited parking or standing, 10.04.170 prohibited practices, 10.04.*** unlawful transfer on a highway or streets, and 10.12.010 abandoned vehicles. In ordinance 9.04.200 he suggested changing the title to prohibited activity of streets, sidewalks, and right ways, he also mentioned an idea of using a permit system to be able to control size of events. Mayor Balensifer asked questions regarding city right ways vs ODOT right ways and commissioner Baldwin suggested to change the wording in the title to from right ways to city right ways, discussion continued. Next Chief went over ordinance 10.04.030 he wants to redefine motor vehicle to any kind of vehicle propelled or powered by a motor, so that things like e-bikes can fall under this ordinance as well. Then Chief started explaining ordinance 10.04.140 and that everything is basically the same besides B is new, and it states a vehicle may be parked on the street adjacent to the address where the vehicle is registered for up to 72 consecutive hours, if parking is permitted on that street, is not an abandoned or hazardous vehicle, as defined in 10.04.030, or otherwise non-compliant under this code. The Mayor inquired about what happens during the summer and if I'm taking my family camping and my trailer is parked outside of the house for more then 72 hours, and someone calls in is there something that person can do, Chief responded with there's a number that can be called to say hey I'm sorry something happened and it will be off the street this day, that way there is communication. Then the Mayor offered the idea of a weeklong permit to park a recreation vehicle on the street. Baldwin then brought up if we do it for one recreational vehicle it will also be done for all, so not only campers but also guide boats, discussion continued. The next ordinance chief went over briefly was 10.04.160 and he said there's going to have to be more talk about this code eventually but what he has done is switch some wording around to Any vehicle having an overall width in excess of six feet, six inches between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. except for loading or unloading,

or in an emergency, on any street in a residential zone. Exceptions apply in an industrial or commercial zone unless the roadway width of less than 34 feet from curb to curb. The Mayor suggested that there needs to be a permit system for this. Next Chief 10.04.170 little change; the changes being first line he added other public property, right away and upon a street. All he did was remove item D because the code was stated earlier. Second to the last he discussed ordinance 10.04.*** which states" White a driver or passenger in a vehicle on a highway, right-of-way, road or street within the boundaries of the City of Warrenton, gives or relinquishes possession or control of, or allows another person in the vehicle to give or relinquish possession or control of any item to a pedestrian; or while a pedestrian, accepts, receives or retains possession or control of any item from a driver or passenger in a vehicle on a highway, right-of-way, road or street within the boundaries of the City of Warrenton. Basically, making it so you are keeping people safe and not going into the busy roads disrupting traffic. Lastly the Chief talked about ordinance 10.12.010 that is the same as it was discussed before, it now better defines storage vs abandoned vehicle.

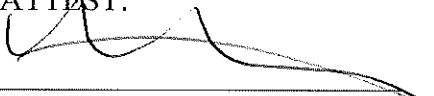
There being no further business, Mayor Balensifer adjourned the work session at 6:04 p.m.

Respectfully prepared and submitted by Brittney Johnson, Deputy City Recorder.

APPROVED:


Henry A. Balensifer III, Mayor

ATTEST:


~~Dawne Shaw, CMC, City Recorder~~
Brittney Johnson Deputy City Recorder