

MINUTES
Warrenton City Commission
May 9, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers
225 S. Main
Warrenton, OR 97146

Mayor Pro-tem Mark Baldwin called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. and led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Pro-tem Mark Baldwin, Paul Mitchell, Tom Dyer, and Gerald Poe

Excused: Mayor Henry Balensifer

Staff Present: City Manager Esther Moberg, Police Chief Mathew Workman, Harbormaster Jane Sweet, and City Recorder Dawne Shaw

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. City Commission Meeting Minutes – ~~4.11.23~~ **4.25.23**
- B. City Commission Work Session Minutes – ~~4.11.23~~ **4.25.23**
- C. Public Works Quarterly Update – Qtr. 1, 2023
- D. Monthly Finance Report – March 2023
- E. Marinas Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – 3.20.23
- F. Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – 2.13.23

City Recorder Shaw noted a scrivener's error on the consent calendar; the City Commission work session and regular meeting minutes are for the April 25th meeting, not April 11th.

Commissioner Poe made the motion to approve the consent calendar as amended. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Baldwin – aye; Dyer – aye; Poe – aye; Mitchell – abstained

Commissioner Mitchell noted he abstained from voting since he was not in attendance at the 4.25.23 meeting. He also noted an additional scrivener's error on the 4.25.23 regular meeting minutes; there were no objections to this additional correction.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Poe commented on the recent CREST meeting, noting there was discussion on fish habitats.

Commissioner Dyer noted he attended the ribbon cutting of the Shear 503 hair salon.

Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin stated he attended the LOC Spring Conference and noted some highlights. He also commented on the Open House at the former Skipanon RV building.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dennis Faletti spoke favorably of the open house and offered suggestions on future notices. He also suggested holding events in the evening.

Mr. Tony Faletti also spoke favorably of the open house and also suggested an after-hours option to increase participation.

Mark Simonsen, submitted public comments by email. He voiced his concerns regarding the Quincy Robinson ball field scheduling and availability.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin opened the Public Hearing on Street Vacation Petition No. 158. Formalities followed. No conflicts of interest or ex parte contacts were reported. City Recorder Dawne Shaw presented her staff report, noting that the petition is to vacate a portion of an undeveloped street known as SE 11th. She stated notice requirements under ORS 271.110 were met the required postings and publications. An ordinance has been prepared for its first reading. Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin asked for public comments. Mr. Don Hall, the applicant, spoke in favor, noting his plan is to develop the lot. No one spoke in opposition. There being no further comments, Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Poe made the motion to conduct the first reading of Ordinance No. 1264; an Ordinance Vacating a Portion of SE 11th Street, in the City of Warrenton, Oregon. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Baldwin – aye; Mitchell - aye; Dyer – aye; Poe – aye

Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin conducted the first reading, by title only, of Ordinance No. 1264.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Police Chief Mathew Workman presented Ordinance No. 1263 for its second reading and adoption. Brief discussion followed.

Commissioner Dyer made the motion to conduct the second reading, by title only, of Ordinance No. 1263, amending the various sections of the City of Warrenton Municipal Code and adding Section 10.04.350 and Chapter 10.20 as stated. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Baldwin – aye; Dyer – aye; Poe – aye; Mitchell - aye

Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin conducted the second reading, by title only, of Ordinance No. 1263.

Commissioner Dyer made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1263. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Baldwin – aye; Dyer – aye; Poe – aye; Mitchell - aye

Harbormaster Jane Sweet discussed Resolution No. 2645, increasing Marina Rates. She noted the daily and monthly rates have not kept up with the annual moorage rates, and this increase would allow for transient users to contribute a more equal share in the repair and maintenance of the marinas.

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Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin noted he has a conflict of interest as he has a boat in the marina, but stated he feels that he can participate impartially; there were no objections to his participation. Commissioner Poe noted feedback he has received from marina users about the Hammond dock conditions and the rate increases. Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin discussed the last budget included \$100,000 earmarked for repairs and noted the poor dock conditions in Hammond. He stated if we can't keep up with the maintenance, we need to contract it out. Discussion continued.

Commissioner Dyer made the motion to conduct the first reading, by title only, of Resolution No. 2645; City of Warrenton Marina's to increase the Monthly and Daily Moorage Rates in the Warrenton and Hammond Municipal Basins and repeal any other resolution in conflict. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Dyer agreed that it would make sense to farm the work out to a contractor and get the work done.

Baldwin – nay; Dyer – aye; Poe – nay; Mitchell – aye
(The motion failed.)

Commissioner Mitchell noted he would recuse himself from the conversation and abstain from voting on the next agenda item, as he has a conflict of interest. Ms. Moberg discussed the sale of the city lots that are located within the Kia dealership lots, and stated the city would like to move forward with preparations to place them on the November 2024 ballot, with the first right of refusal clause.

Commissioner Poe made the motion to authorize the City Manager to move forward with preparation to place lot 81022DC3800 on November 2024 ballot for voters to approve sale, with first right of refusal. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Baldwin – aye; Dyer – aye; Poe – aye; Mitchell - abstained

DISCUSSION ITEMS – None

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Mitchell stated he went on a 16 day cruise through the Panama Canal, and he noted he met many people that have visited Warrenton. He noted other highlights from his trip.

Commissioner Poe noted clamming season has opened in Oregon.

City Manager Esther Moberg reminded the Commission that the Budget Meeting is next Tuesday, May 16th at 3:00.


There being no further business, Mayor Pro-tem Baldwin adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:



Dawne Shaw, CMC, City Recorder

APPROVED:



Henry A. Balensifer III, Mayor