

**City of Scio  
City Council Minutes  
January 10, 2022**

**LOCATION:** SCIO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 38957 NW 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE, SCIO  
Public was allowed to attend in person, following COVID-19 protocols, or via Zoom.

**Time Start:** 6:00 P.M.

**Time End:** 7:18 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Council President Debbie Nuber. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant.

**COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE LOG**

COUNCIL	SCIO STAFF
Mayor Chadd Weaver (excused)	Ginger Allen, City Manger
Councilor Debbie Nuber	Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant
Councilor Karen Eckhart	Jeffrey Clayson, Assistant City Attorney
Councilor Joey Ferguson	LaVonne Murray, Librarian
Councilor Tom Gray	
Councilor Tom Meyer	
Councilor John Whalen (excused)	

**AUDIENCE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Nadji Vogel – via Zoom

AGENDA	ACTIONS
<p><b><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 8, 2021 City Council Minutes</li> <li>• November and December 2021 Statement of Revenue &amp; Expenditures</li> <li>• November and December Payment Journal</li> </ul>	<p>Motion from Councilor Ferguson, seconded by Councilor Gray, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. <b>Motion passed 5:0</b></p>
<p><b><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></b></p> <p>a. Preliminary Population Estimate for 2021 from Portland State University</p>	<p>Allen stated that the population estimate is 959</p>
<p><b><u>PRESENTATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Linn County Sheriff's Report</b></p> <p>a. November and December 2021 Linn County Sheriff's Reports – Sgt. Steve Frambes</p>	<p>Sgt. Steve Frambes reviewed the reports for November and December. November: Successful arrest of person stealing a catalytic converter. December: TiKTok school shooting threats, the Sheriff's Department had coverage at all schools in the county that day. Car fire was a car that had been stolen and dumped. Theft complaint – generator and coffee maker stolen.</p> <p>Ferguson thanked the sheriff's office for being present in the schools that day. It made the student's feel safer.</p>

<p>b. Council Discussion</p>	<p>Sgt. Frambes stated that he will have the “Speed Utility Trailer” in Scio next week. He will present findings in February. It will be placed at the intersection of NW 1<sup>st</sup> and Beech. Ms. Allen stated that this is the area of concern recently.</p> <p>Councilor Gray asked “How are most cars stolen?” Frambes stated that they all are unlocked, the thieves use “shaved keys” that have no grooves and will fit any car. Also use “programmers” that can start cars. The key to prevention is having it locked, it takes too much time to try to break in, and noise caused by breaking glass is a deterrent.</p>
<p><b>Library Advisory Committee</b></p> <p>a. Recommendation for Appointment to Library Advisory Committee – LaVonne Murray</p> <p>b. Council Discussion</p>	<p>LaVonne Murray, Librarian, addressed the council, she presented the application from Scott Parker to the council.</p> <p>Councilor Ferguson asked how many committee members we would have? Ms. Murray stated 4</p> <p>Council President Nuber asked for consensus to the appointment of Scott Parker to the Library Committee. <b>Consensus given 5:0</b></p>
<p><b>Parks &amp; Tree Advisory Committee</b></p> <p>a. Recommendation for Appointment to Parks &amp; Tree Advisory Committee – Ginger Allen</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that she removed this item from the Amended Agenda, as Mr. Mochnick was unable to attend the meeting and he wished to be present.</p>
<p><b>Garage Sale Committee</b></p> <p>a. Update on Garage Sale Committee – Cathy Martin</p>	<p>Council President Nuber stated that she was the reason the December meeting had to be cancelled.</p> <p>Cathy Martin, advised the council that the committee was going to try to meet next week once all members agree to a time.</p>
<p><b>REGULAR SESSION</b></p>	
<p><b>Sale of City Property to Scio School District</b></p> <p>a. Staff Report – Ginger Allen</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that this property was originally included in the proposal to vacate the unused alleys within the city limits. The Scio School District requested that this property be withheld from the vacation process as they have built on it. School District agreed to reimburse the city for the grant application, which equals the cost of property. Total \$7,952.50</p> <p>Once you approve this, Superintendent Martinelli will then take it to the board to approve the transaction.</p>

<p>b. Council Discussion</p> <p>c. Council Decision</p>	<p>None.</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Ferguson, seconded by Councilor Eckhart, to approve sale of City Property to the Scio School District (see motion). <b>Motion passed 5:0</b></p>
<p><b>Resolution No. 22-01 A Resolution Authorizing the receipt of Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds, Grant Agreement No. 8023</b></p> <p>a. Staff Report – Ginger Allen</p> <p>b. Council Discussion</p> <p>c. Council Decision</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that the resolution gives the city manager authorization to sign for a grant. Paperwork is required to be submitted by January 15<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Allen read Resolution No. 22-01, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Scio as a Recipient of Federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSFRF) Totaling \$235,000.00, as Approved by the Oregon Legislature in the Budget Report for House Bill 5006 (2021), by title only</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart, seconded by Councilor Meyer, to approve resolution No, 22-01 as presented. <b>Motion passed 5:0</b></p>
<p><b><u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF</u></b></p> <p>a. City Manager’s Report</p>	<p>Ms. Allen reviewed her report dated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The flags from the Veteran’s Memorial were taken down. New ones have been ordered.</li> <li>• Small City Allotment Grant Project at high school. Project overlaps with Linn County Road at Main &amp; 4<sup>th</sup>. Linn County is requesting us to put in additional improvements on the West side of the intersection. City Engineer estimates \$15-20K away from the project. Ms. Allen stated that she will contact the Road Master and have a meeting to discuss the project.</li> <li>• RR/SRTS Grant moving forward – Pacific Power will need to move the power poles. This will require a coordinated effort.</li> <li>• ARPA not scheduled to have work done until April will be coming forward with a resolution for that funding.</li> <li>• State Fiscal Recovery Funds – paperwork required to be submitted by January 15<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• 2021 Audit – is a good audit, couple of comments meeting with auditing firm to go over what they mean by the comments. Want answers prior to the presentation. Made references to a couple of accounting practices and need to know what they mean. Gray – they always find something.</li> </ul>

<p>b. City Attorney's Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Halsey has reached out some time ago. Use the same IT person, who has recently relocated to Montana. By jointly issuing a new RFP it would save on advertising dollars. Allen asked for consensus to go out for an RFP jointly with the City of Halsey.</li> <li>• Eckhart asked how this will affect the Data Center.</li> <li>• Allen stated that she wants to have more discussions with Derrick Mottern, SMTA regarding the Data Center.</li> <li>• Meeting with Medcalf Construction was postponed to Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul> <p>Councilor Ferguson asked about Safe Routes to School. Will buses be able to drop-off and pick-up? Allen stated that it will not take up much parking. The Superintendent was on committee. This may give him leverage to adjust drop-off and pick-up sites. The School District is on board with the project. Councilor Ferguson asked if any additional lighting was planned?</p> <p>Mr. Clayson stated he had nothing new to add.</p>
<p><b><u>ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL</u></b></p> <p>a. Council President Debbie Nuber</p> <p>b. Councilor Ferguson</p> <p>c. Councilor Eckhart</p> <p>d. Councilor Meyer</p> <p>e. Councilor Gray</p>	<p>Ms. Nuber stated that she would like to see the city charter updated. Ms. Allen added that it lacks a lot of information to run the city, it does not have a lot of detail. Must be vote on by the citizens. Ferguson asked what time commitment would be asked of council? Allen suggested working on this over several months. Working on Employees manual, these are items that overlap with the charter. Consensus of council to proceed with charter revisions.</p> <p>Thanked city for partnership with the school district. She asked about parking at middle school. And asked if there was any way to find additional parking when planning for city hall.</p> <p>Concern with ordering off Amazon, she asked the city to try to use local people first.</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p>
<p><b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b></p> <p>a. None</p>	