



# City of Scio

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## SCIO CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY FEBRUARY 13, 2017

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Chadd Weaver and Councilors Wolfgang Borchard, Karen Eckhart, Joey Ferguson, Tom Gray, Debbie Nuber.

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Attorney Tre' Kennedy, Administrative Assistant Cathy Martin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Weaver called the Scio City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. in the main meeting room of the Scio City Hall, followed with the flag salute.

### **INTRODUCTION:**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll call was taken with Councilor Nelson excused.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Approval of January 9, 2017 Council Minutes
- Approval of September 29, 2016 Scio Library Board Minutes
- Approval of November 20, 2016 Planning Commission Minutes
- July 2016 – February 3, 2017 Profit and Loss Reports – General, Road, Water and Sewer Funds
- Check Detail Report – January 2017

***Councilor Gray moved, Councilor Nuber seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 5/0***

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- May Garland, President of the Friends of Scio Public Library and LaVonne Murray, Scio Librarian show off a new library program “Books for Babies” kits, sponsored by the Scio Friends of the Library
- Thank you card from Carolyn Nunn to the City of Scio
- Nadji Vogel – representing Scio at a “Local Tourism” networking event centered around the August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 “Great Solar Eclipse”
- Letter to Tom Barth concerning city Christmas Tree Decoration/Street Lights

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Linn County Sheriff's Report – Sgt. Greg Klein reported for January, the arrest, was for theft at the Scio Hardware Store. Weaver stated that he has noticed the

sheriff's office presence in the community. Collin Pyle is the new deputy assigned to Scio. He will be coming to the next city council meeting. No other questions.

2. State of the City Presentation – Ginger Allen, Interim City Manager – presentation tabled to the March 13, 2017 City Council Meeting

### **REGULAR SESSION:**

- 1) **City Attorney Report: Presented by Tre' Kennedy, City Attorney** – Mr. Kennedy addressed the council regarding ex-parte contact and conflicts of interest. Conflicts of interest are about money specifically if you or a close family member will have a financial impact (gain/loss). A potential conflict of interest should be fully disclosed and then a decision can be made regarding your level of participation and possible vote. Actual Conflicts should be disclosed and then you should step down from the council for the deliberation and vote. However you may take part as a member of the audience. Ex-parte contact can be community member or property, in small community – if you know there is hearing coming up on a parcel, put it on the record – any discussions with people should also be disclosed (try not to be predisposed to outside conversations). If anyone has a question, please feel free to call or email Tre Kennedy. More disclosure is better than no disclosure. Eckhart – asked about the potential vacation of city properties, as she has one of the affected parcels through her property – Kennedy – should declare it and then step aside. Nadji Vogel NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue – curious about dangerous situation, could city be liable if a building fell on someone. Kennedy – would be fact dependent – not enforcing a code does not mean the city would be liable.
- 2) **Election of City Council President – Nomination and Vote – Presented by: Mayor Chadd Weaver –**  
  
*Councilor Ferguson nominated, Councilor Borchard seconded the nomination of Debbie Nuber as council president. Motion passed 5/0*
- 3) **Vacation of City Tax Lot Update – Public Parking and Private Use Issues – Presented by: Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant** – advised that the planning commission would be making a recommendation at the February 22, 2017 meeting. Councilor Borchard asked about #16 on the map and asked if some of the vehicles could move. Kennedy asked to be refreshed on the situation. Weaver would like to address this issue after the planning commission meeting, and that the council will make some decisions after that time. Weaver stated that the city may need to do some surveys.
- 4) **City Manager Report: Submitted by Ginger Allen, Interim City Manager** – Martin asked if there were any questions regarding the report. There were none.

**Business from the Public** – Nadji Vogel stated that when talking about the property corners, the pins should have been set at the time of survey. Ms. Vogel also stated that

the city should keep all utility access, and road access. Borchard asked about the right of way width of Cedar Street. May Garland, N Main Street, asked about the properties that were being considered for vacation. Martin was asked to provide copies of the map of the areas that are being considered for vacation at the end of the meeting. Ms. Garland reported that George VanAgtmael (former council member) has passed away. Charlotte Thomas, NW Alder, asked about parks, is there any public interest in making a memorial in honor of Glen & Jessie Clayton, on one of the city park areas. Nuber may need to find some area to be able to make an area. Weaver may be time to start a parks committee.

**Business from the Council:**

Nuber – Asked if the city has started the City Manager process. Weaver stated he had one conversation with the person at the Council of Governments.

Weaver – Reported that the alley by middle school has pothole and asked if the public works staff could fix it.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for March 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Cathy Martin, Clerk  
Scio City Council