

**City of Scio
City Council Minutes
February 12, 2024**

LOCATION: SCIO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 38957 NW 1ST AVENUE, SCIO
Public was allowed to attend in person or via Zoom.

Time Start: 6:00 P.M.

Time End: 7:38 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor 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 Debbie Nuber	Ginger Allen, City Manager
Councilor Karen Eckhart	John Tre' Kennedy, City Attorney
Councilor Joey Ferguson	Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant
Councilor Tom Gray	LaVonne Murray, Librarian
Councilor Tom Meyer	
Councilor Dennis Shaffer	
Councilor Luke Zedwick	

AUDIENCE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Dustin Blumenstein	Scott Salazar
Dean Schrunk	Marty McLerran

AGENDA	ACTIONS
<u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">January 22, 2024 Council MinutesJanuary 2024 Statement of Revenues & ExpendituresJanuary 2024 Payment JournalNovember 14, 2023 Library Advisory Committee Minutes	Motion from Councilor Ferguson seconded by Councilor Shaffer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 6 yeas / 0 nays
<u>Correspondence</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">None	
<u>PRESENTATIONS</u> Linn County Sheriff Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. January 2024 Reports – Sgt Frambes	Sgt. Frambes reviewed January's Linn County Sheriff's Report with the council. He noted 3 calls – page 2 crash, Theft of saw at a home that was being remodeled, Welfare Check of Female in Distress. He stated that she later passed, noted because it is good to know your neighbors.

Lots of calls about person and weather. All on the same individual.

Ferguson asked about previous report of person living under bridge. Sgt. Frambes stated that they looked into it, no evidence indicating that such an occurrence took place.

Car chase – went through Scio at high speeds., nothing to do with anyone in Scio. Chase originated in Albany.

Shaffer – animal complaint, - Frambes – nothing criminal passed on to the Veterinary Board.

Kennedy – law change – can’t pull people over for one taillight out – safety concerns? Frambes – have to have other incidents.

Library Report

a. Presentation by LaVonne Murray, Librarian

Ms. Murray reported the following:

- Planning for programming
- Storytime
- School Visits, 1st grade & Pre-school
- STEM Day – no visit in February, back in March
- Salem Reads Art Exhibit – March base on the book Inheritance
- Lake Oswego Reads – October based on book
- Adult programming
- OSU Extension –
 - Small Farms presentation in March
 - April – Master Gardener
 - May – Master Food
- Summer Reading program – sign up week after school gets out
- Program events (6) start week following 4th of July
 - OMSI
 - Drum Circle
 - Reptile Man
 - University of Oregon Museum of Natural History
 - Craft Day
 - Movie

<p>Parks & Tree Committee Member Request</p> <p>a. Presentation by Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant</p>	<p>Ms. Martin reported that Susan Yoder-Guardipee has applied to serve on the Parks & Tree Committee. She has attended previous committee meetings and has shown an interest in the development of the city parks. The committee has requested that she be appointed to fill one of the vacant positions on the committee.</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Ferguson seconded by Councilor Zedwick to appoint Susan Yoder -Guardipee to the Parks & Tree Committee.</p> <p>Motion passed 6 yeas / 0 nays</p>
<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></p> <p>a. Marty McLerran, 42172 Rodgers Mtn Loop, (503)933-4602, martymclerran@hotmail.com</p> <p>b. Dean Schrunk, 38587 SW Filbert Street</p>	<p>Is anyone concerned with the lighting of vehicles, and change of law as reported by the Sheriff Office?</p> <p>Kennedy – looking for a creative way to address within jurisdictions, sometimes there are no ways to preempt State Jurisdiction. Nothing that any city or county can do to change the law.</p> <p>Zedwick stated that he thought that law was passed after 2020 to address racial bias.</p> <p>McClaren asked where she could find the language pertaining to this law? City Attorney Kennedy referred her to SB-1510</p> <p>Has anything been done about the condemned houses, Allen stated that this topic is scheduled for discussion on tonight agenda.</p>
<p><u>REGULAR SESSION</u></p> <p>Resolution No. 24-03, Resolution No. 24-03 Correction of Resolution No. 24-02 Presented by – Ginger Allen, City Manager</p> <p>a. Council Discussion</p> <p>b. Council Decision</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that Resolution No. 24-02 contained a financial error of \$750.00. Staff failed to list a \$750.00 Revenue Budget Appropriation on Resolution No 24-02. Resolution No. 24-03 corrects the revenue appropriation.</p> <p>None</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart seconded by Councilor Gray to approve Resolution No. 24-03 as read by Title Only. Ms. Allen read Resolution No. 24-03, A resolution Correcting Resolution No. 24-02 and Appropriating Unanticipated Revenue to the General Fund of the City of Scio as presented.</p>

<p>Linn County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan IGA Staff report – Ginger Allen, City Manager</p> <p>c. Council Discussion</p> <p>d. Council Decision</p>	<p>Motion passed 6 yeas / 0 nays</p> <p>Ms. Allen stated that the city has been involved in a Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan with Linn County. This allows the city residents to qualify for FEMA assistance in an emergency.</p> <p>Each participant must attend so many meetings, or represent. Ms. Allen stated she went to recent meeting and was one of the best she attended. Meetings are scheduled monthly. Scio must develop an appendix for Just Scio.</p> <p>Eckhart asked if there was a cost. Allen stated that the state is paying for the plan.</p> <p>Shaffer asked what the city has to do. Allen stated that Scio has to make its own plan, that will become an addendum to the Linn County plan.</p> <p>Ferguson asked how well funded is FEMA? Allen – unknown.</p> <p>Allen discussed the need to help with low level flooding and the need for all partnering agencies be at the table (ODOT).</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Zedwick seconded by Councilor Eckhart to approve the Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan - IGA</p> <p>Motion passed 6 yeas / 0 nays</p>
<p>Pacific Power Franchise Fee Agreement Staff Report – Tre’ Kennedy, City Attorney</p>	<p>Mr. Kennedy stated that Scott Salazar from PacifiCorp is also present for the meeting.</p> <p>Propose increase in the franchise fee. Currently 3.5% proposed is a 7% fee. As a state regulated franchise, this is a direct pass off to the customer.</p> <p>Ms. Allen stated that the prior franchise agreement was 20 years, this one is a 10-year agreement. Ms. Allen stated that the 3.5% fee has been in place for 20 years.</p> <p>Kennedy stated that this is a decision that the council needs to make.</p>

<p>a. Council Discussion</p>	<p>Scott Salazar, Pacific Power Regional Sales Manager, here to answer questions. The current 3.5% is imbedded in rates. Any increase will show up on the bill.</p> <p>Shaffer asked why the increase to 7%?</p> <p>Kennedy asked if there was a state regulated maximum? Salazar it can be what the city wants.</p> <p>Shaffer questioned raising this franchise fee with the recent rate hikes with water and sewer.</p> <p>Allen stated that this fee would go to storm drain and road repairs.</p> <p>Shaffer seems like we are hitting everyone.</p> <p>Nuber everything is increasing.</p> <p>Salazar city has the right to raise the fee at any time.</p> <p>Eckart stated that she feels it is a sneaky way of raising fees.</p> <p>Dustin Blumenstein, 38840 NE Ash Street, knowing what the fees are going for, it is easier for him to understand the fees. If you want to fix something you have to have the financial resources.</p> <p>Gray no one likes fees, but sometimes is necessary.</p> <p>Allen stated that the city needs a master plan identify what needs to come first when fixing the storm drainage system.</p> <p>Council asked for additional information on surrounding city's franchise fees</p> <p>Salazar to get information on average bills</p> <p>Ferguson – asked about lighting in cities – Pacific Power 50% LED – Ameresco does the conversion – cost – incentive is cheaper rate schedule</p> <p>Cost of Lighting at the next meeting.</p> <p>Postpone decision to March Council Meeting</p>
<p>Nuisance Ordinance Staff Report – Tre' Kennedy, City Attorney</p>	<p>Mr. Kennedy stated that this was time to repeal and replace the existing ordinance. The goal is voluntary</p>

b. Councilor Eckhart	None
c. Councilor Shaffer	None
d. Councilor Ferguson	Nuisance on Highway 226 – trailer with garbage, tarped, Allen stated that it is on the list
e. Councilor Gray	None
f. Councilor Zedwick	None
g. Mayor Nuber	Going to the Fire Department Appreciation Dinner on Friday. Encouraging attendance at the Fire Department Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm