



SCIO CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, March 12, 2018

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

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ginger Allen, City Attorney Tre' Kennedy, Administrative Assistant Cathy Martin.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Weaver called the Regular Session of 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.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken with all councilors present.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of the February 12, 2018 City Council Minutes
- Approval of the February 2018 – Statement of Revenue and Expenditures General, Road, Water & Sewer Funds
- Approval of Payment Journal – February 2018

Councilor Ferguson moved, Councilor Nuber seconded, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 6/0

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No correspondence this month

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Linn County Sheriff's Report – Sheriff Riley spoke to the council. He reported that the Sheriff's Office is in the process of filling several open positions; that the Law Enforcement levy will be on the May ballot, and that the county is asking for a renewal of the existing rate. Sheriff Riley thanked the city for the long standing relationship that the Sheriff's office has had with the city. Sheriff Riley announced that he will be retiring from the Sheriff's Office effective June 1st. Riley then introduced Undersheriff Jim Yon as his replacement. Yon will serve as interim sheriff until the election in November. Undersheriff Yon spoke to the council giving a brief introduction regarding his experience and qualifications. Sheriff Riley stated that he is proud of the service that has been provided by the Sheriff's department. (24 hour patrol, live call center, beds available in the jail) Riley stated that these services will continue as long as funds are available. Allen thanked Riley for seeing the importance to fill the community resource officer position. Riley stated that the new person is Mike Madley. Citizens

Academy will be April 3rd, time for citizens to come into Sheriff's department, SAR, Detective presentations, interaction with the staff. 11 week course – mornings, 9am to 12 noon in the spring, in the fall they offer an evening course, additional information and applications can be found on line.

Lt. Michelle Duncan reported on the month of February. There were 2 citations, 5 warnings, 2 adults arrested, 40 complaints, and 40 hours spent on traffic. Several calls were in the area of the extra patrols; a couple calls were for suspicious vehicles; one complaint of criminal mischief was for a flattened tire, another was for a shed broken into at one of the churches in town, but nothing was stolen. The stolen fire arm incident is believed to be an internal family issue. Allen asked if it would be possible for the deputies to put down the speed when they are issuing warnings, helps to understand. Duncan stated that they have been asking this to be done in the last couple of months, but advised that the city should not get hung up on the number (speed); the warnings are given on a case by case basis.

REGULAR SESSION:

- 1) Public Event Permit Application for Scio Youth Club – Presented by Ginger Allen, City Manager** – Ms. Allen reported that the Scio Youth Club has submitted all documents required for the Public Event Permit. Allen requested council waive the fee as they are a non-profit group. Carolyn Nunn, representing the club, advised the council that the annual auction will be held on May 12th. The auction is important part of the fundraising.

Councilor Ferguson moved, Councilor Nuber seconded, to approve the Public Event Permit Application for the Scio Youth Club and waive the fee. Motion passed 6/0

- 2) Four Way Stop at SW Alder & 5th Street – Presented by Ginger Allen, City Manager** – Ms. Allen stated that at the last council meeting the council talked about several stop signs around town. Ms. Allen stated that it was brought to her attention that the intersection of SW Alder and 5th warranted more discussion as Councilor Nuber spoke with staff regarding her view of the need for a 4-way stop in this location.

Councilor Nuber stated that the main reason why she brought this up was the pathway that goes down 5th street. There are no stop signs that protect the pedestrians. She stated that she has observed problems with people not stopping for pedestrians. She suggested that additional signs be placed in this location.

Ferguson asked if there are other places that should also be considered.

Nuber stated that she feels that this is an issue and that this is a bad place.

Ferguson asked if it would be beneficial to have more stop signs, and that she was interested in what Darin Lane, Linn County Road Master would say about the traffic pattern.

Allen stated that she would ask Mr. Lane or his representative to come to the April council meeting and provide information on street signage pattern. Council agreed and asked Allen to contact Mr. Lane and see if someone can come to the April Meeting.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: Presented by Ginger Allen – Allen reviewed the report dated March 7, 2018. She said that there are a lot of little things that have been taken care of in the last month. The city website is moving along, and anticipating going live June 1st. Staff had a meeting with our IT provider Cascades West COG, and they will help us with setting up the hosting of the new site. Martin handed out a copy of the front page of the website and gave a brief overview of the status of the project.

The city will be installing new firewall protection as well. We will be picking out the new succulents for the planting at the Veteran's Memorial site.

Community pride cleanup day is scheduled for May 5th. City has agreed to provide garbage sacks, gloves, safety vests, and a dumpster.

Allen stated that city planner Dave Kinney is working on a Water Rate Study and that the Comp Plan Transportation Chapter will be presented to the Planning Commission at the April meeting.

Weaver asked about the Feral Cat Trapping last month – May Garland stated that they have caught and spayed several of the feral cats from her back yard. The next door neighbors have been very cooperative in this project. They plan to continue setting the traps to try and catch a few more.

City Attorney Report – Tre' Kennedy – stated that there wasn't a lot to report. Mr. Kennedy gave a brief update of several of the legislative bills that he was watching in the short session. He stated that apparently the State believes that it is bad to have contract building inspectors and this is difficult for small cities. Some of the discussion on this bill is that this is a way to get jobs back into cities. Kennedy stated that he will be bringing back a public contracting code to the council for future consideration.

Business from the Council:

Borchard – none

Ferguson – none

Gray – found some concrete pots on Craig's list and he asked if larger cities give things away things that they no longer need.

Eckhart – none

Nelson – none

Nuber – none

Weaver – none

Business from the Public – Geraldine Killian, SE Cedar Street, asked about street maintenance, crack in front of house. Allen will drive by tomorrow and take a look at the situation.

There was no further business and the regular session was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for April 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

The council opened an Executive Session.

Cathy Martin, Clerk
Scio City Council