

**City of Scio
City Council Minutes
November 13, 2023**

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: 7:19 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	Cathy Martin, Administrative Assistant
Councilor Joey Ferguson	Tre' Kennedy, City Attorney
Councilor Tom Gray - excused	LaVonne Murray, Librarian
Councilor Tom Meyer	
Councilor Dennis Shaffer	
Councilor Luke Zedwick	

AUDIENCE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Glen Kearns, Accuity, LLC – City Auditor	Dean Schrunk
Kenneth Larson, Republic Services	Sgt. Steve Frambes

AGENDA	ACTIONS
<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 9, 2023 Council Minutes • October 2023 Statement of Revenues & Expenditures • October 2023 Payment Journal 	<p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart seconded by Councilor Shaffer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.</p> <p>Motion passed 5 yeas / 0 nays</p>
<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
<p>PRESENTATIONS</p> <p>Linn County Sheriff Report</p> <p>a. September 2023 & October 2023 Reports – Sgt Frambes</p>	<p>Sgt. Frambes last month there was a property crime. This is down 54 ½% from last year at this time. Traffic crashes have stayed the same.</p> <p>October was fairly uneventful, dog issues at one home.</p> <p>Zedwick is there any reason that property crimes are down at this time? Sgt. Frambes stated that it is</p>

<p>a. Council Discussion</p>	<p>Allen asked if the auditor wanted a copy of the plan of action letter</p> <p>Kearns, stated that they would like it, and would put it into the file. The state has asked the auditors to facilitate compliance. Because of lack of segregation, the city will need to do this letter every year.</p>
<p>Republic Services Rate Increase Staff Report – Kenneth Larson, Republic Services Rep.</p> <p>a. Council Discussion</p> <p>b. Council Decision</p>	<p>Mr. Larson, Municipal Administrator, shared with the council that the rate increase is 1%.</p> <p>Republic Services is fully staffed, have hired additional 30 customer service agents trained on Oregon, and most are located in Oregon.</p> <p>Thanked the community for allowing them to participate in the Bridges Bikes and Brews festival in Scio. Happy to do that. We like to invest in the places we live.</p> <p>Recycling changes are coming summer 2024. The changes that are coming are more things being able to be placed in the carts. Empty, Clean & Dry – Paper, plastic, metal cans.</p> <p>Allen impressed that Republic Services was able to keep the increase to 1%</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart seconded by Councilor Meyer to approve the Republic Services rate increase as stated.</p> <p>Motion passed 5 yeas / 0 nays</p>
<p>Plan of Action Letter to Oregon Secretary of States Office Staff Report – Ginger Allen, Scio City Manager</p> <p>a. Council Discussion</p>	<p>Ms. Allen stated that this is the letter required to send to the Secretary of State’s office, as advised by the auditing firm Accuity, LLC. Ms. Allen stated that there were changes in policies where the city added additional review of the monthly expenditures, retirement accounts by Mayor Nuber or Council President Ferguson.</p> <p>Eckhart noted a couple of grammatical errors.</p>

<p>b. Council Decision</p>	<p>Motion from Councilor Ferguson seconded by Councilor Eckhart to approve the plan of action letter with the noted corrections.</p> <p>Motion passed 5 yeas / 0 nays</p>
<p>Recreational Immunity for Improved Trails/Paths Staff Report – Ginger Allen, City Manager & Tre’ Kennedy, Scio City Attorney</p> <p>a. Council Discussion</p> <p>b.</p>	<p>Kennedy stated that the city shouldn’t make any changes to the plans that the city has for improving city parks.</p> <p>When reading the opinion – wording the legislature used.</p> <p>At City of Lebanon, they are posting signs at all parks/trails that state “For Recreational Purposes Only”</p> <p>City must be more diligent in repairs.</p> <p>Eckhart, asked if the city should post signs as well. Kennedy – yes, recommended using the same signs as Lebanon.</p>
<p>Ordinance No. 627 – Noise Ordinance (Draft) Staff Report – Tre Kennedy, Scio City Attorney</p> <p>a. Council Discussion</p> <p>b. Council Decision</p>	<p>Mr. Kennedy gave brief history of noise ordinance in Scio.</p> <p>Sgt. Frambes the deputies do not have decibel readers in the vehicles. Training, calibration required annually. Scio only city with decibel readers in the ordinance.</p> <p>Issue citations based off of recordings by residents. Citing officer but not witness to the events.</p> <p>Shaffer is this a new ordinance? Yes – What about fireworks. Kennedy - List is examples that give law enforcement ability. Frambes – fireworks are regulated by state statute.</p> <p>Frambes – trying to get the cities to have ordinances that are alike.</p> <p>Allen ordinance can be easily implemented.</p> <p>Frambes – complaint driven, gives way to enforce.</p> <p>Ferguson asked if there have been any complaints on the ZHall. Allen stated that she had not received any complaints on Z Hall Activities.</p> <p>Motion from Councilor Eckhart seconded by Councilor Ferguson to adopt the ordinance 627 (title)</p>

Motion passed 5 yeas / 0 nays

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF

a. City Manager's Report

Ms. Allen reviewed the City Manager's report dated November 8, 2023

- Thomas Creek Park Improvements
- Safe Routes to School Project
- Small City Allotment Grant
- Library Collection Policy
- Christmas Lights going up November 16th.
- Moving of Reserve Acct Funds to Umpqua Bank
- City Hall Renovation Presentation #2

b. City Attorney's Report

None

ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

a. Councilor Meyer

None

b. Councilor Zedwick

None

c. Councilor Eckhart

Update on the Outside bathrooms – Allen meet with city engineer to review bid documents. Plan to have completed by end of May.

Street Sweeper did it go down main street – Allen stated yes, but is having more problems.

Thank you on the budget.

d. Councilor Ferguson

None

e. Councilor Shaffer

Water leak on Filbert – service line. City assisted homeowner. Training session was really good.

f. Mayor Nuber

Allen no meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.