



Minutes of the Molalla City Council Regular Meeting

Molalla Adult Community Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
May 27, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

The Molalla City Council Regular Meeting of May 27, 2020 was called to order by Mayor Keith Swigart at 7:01pm.

2. ROLL CALL

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Keith Swigart – Present
Councilor Leota Childress – Present
Councilor Elizabeth Klein – Present
Councilor DeLise Palumbo – Absent
Councilor Terry Shankle – Absent
Councilor Jody Newland - Present
Councilor Crystal Robles - Present

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager - Present
Christie DeSantis, City Recorder - Present
Darlene Bishop, Executive Admin Asst - Present

3. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

(Citizens are allowed up to 3 minutes to present information relevant to the City but not listed as an item on the agenda. Prior to speaking, citizens shall complete a comment form and deliver it to the City Recorder. The City Council does not generally engage in dialog with those making comments but may refer the issue to the City Manager. Complaints shall first be addressed at the department level prior to addressing the City Council.)

No public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved with no changes.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2020
- B. Meeting Minutes – April 30, 2020
- C. Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2020
- D. Reappointment of Planning Commissioner, Jacob Giberson

A motion was made by Councilor Klein to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution 2020-10: A Resolution Extending Resolution 2020-06 and Resolution 2020-07 Declaring a State of Emergency Due to COVID-19 (Huff)

A motion was made by Councilor Newland to approve Resolution No. 2020-10, seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 5-0.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Discussion: Charitable Relief Fund (Swigart)
- B. Discussion: Change in Election Process Due to COVID-19 – Ordinance for General Election November 2020 (Swigart/Huff)

Council would like to enact a Charitable Relief Fund during times of disaster. Council had a discussion regarding how to appropriately collect and reserve funds. Funds would be donation based and would not affect the City’s budget. This will be an ongoing conversation.

Mayor Swigart suggested that Council waive the necessary signatures for General Election 2020 due to the pandemic. Council discussed the pros and cons of this action. Council would like staff to bring back a resolution to waive signatures for this year only.

9. REPORTS

- A. City Manager and Staff

Executive Administrative Assistant Bishop had nothing to report.

City Recorder DeSantis reminded citizens that there are four seats that expire in December. Mayor Swigart, Councilor Palumbo, Councilor Newland and Councilor Robles’ terms expire December 31, 2020. She invited anyone who is interested in running for office to obtain a packet online or from City Hall.

City Manager Huff shared a handout from Oregon Health Authority regarding outdoor recreation organization and the requirements. City of Molalla playgrounds will remain closed until the Governor gives approval.

- B. Mayor

Mayor Swigart shared that a 4th of July celebration is being considered. No decisions have been made at this time.

- C. City Councilors


Councilor Klein thanked the City staff for their continued hard work.

Councilor Childress shared that patriotic banners will be hung very soon. Fifteen tons of garbage was collected at the spring clean with a twist event. A second event is being worked on at this time. Porta-potty’s and a shower trailer have been set up at the Warming Shelter for the homeless population.

Councilor Newland and Councilor Robles thanked the Library staff for their continued great work during the pandemic.

10. ADJOURN

Councilor Klein moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm, Councilor Childress seconded. Vote passed 5-0.



 Keith Swigart, Mayor

June 10, 2020

 Date

ATTEST: 

 Christie DeSantis, City Recorder