



## Minutes of the Molalla City Council Regular Meeting

Molalla Adult Community Center  
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038  
July 22, 2020

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

*The Molalla City Council Regular Meeting of July 22, 2020 was called to order by Mayor Keith Swigart at 7:03pm.*

### 2. ROLL CALL

#### COUNCIL ATTENDANCE:

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

#### STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager - Present  
Christie DeSantis, City Recorder - Present  
Gerald Fisher, Public Works Director - Absent  
Chaunee Seifried, Finance Director - Absent

### 3. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

*None.*

### 5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

*There were no requested changes, therefore approved as presented.*

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Meeting Minutes – July 8, 2020
- B. Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2020 (Council Retreat)

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

### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Ordinance No. 2020-09: Repealing and Replacing Section 17-2.3.220 Mobile Food Units Temporary Standards (Planning)

*Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2020-09 was opened at 7:05pm. As there were no audience members present, the hearing was immediately closed.*

### 8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Ordinance No. 2020-09: Repealing and Replacing Section 17-2.3.220 Mobile Food Units Temporary Standards (Planning)

*A motion was made by Councilor Newland for a first reading of Ordinance 2020-09 by title only. Seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 5-0.*

*A motion was made by Councilor Klein for a second reading of Ordinance 2020-09 by title only. Seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 5-0.*

*A motion was made by Councilor Klein to adopt Ordinance 2020-09, seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 5-0.*

## **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **A. Discussion: Chapter 21.90 Trees (Council)**

Councilor Newland requested that Staff look at updating the Tree Code. Multiple items were discussed. The main issue is the fee, which was recently addressed. Council approved Planning Fees at the July 8, 2020 meeting, which reflected \$0 for a Tree Permit. Mr. Huff explained the need for a permit, as recently a very large tree was cutdown and fell across a major culdesac. Owners and emergency personnel were unable to access the road, which is not safe. Council also requested that the 8 feet requirement be updated to trees that are 15 feet or taller.

Discussion about the need for an arborist took place. Councilor Klein felt that this was important to leave in the code, as she feels that hazardous trees are a concern.

Section 21.90.020 Tree retention letter C: Council would like the statement to read “Any tree that is removed shall be replanted on this same lot within one year”.

City Manager Huff stated that this is a very cumbersome section of our code, and that it would be important for Council to involve the Planning Commission. Mayor Swigart requested that the City take this item to Planning Commission.

## **10. REPORTS**

### **A. City Manager and Staff**

City Recorder DeSantis shared the current candidates for the November Election. Mayor: Scott Keyser, Leota Childress, Jimmy Thompson. Council: Josh Tompkins, Jody Newland, Keith Swigart, Carmon Carlos, Steven Deller.

City Manager Huff shared a Department of Environmental Quality handout regarding noise to the Council. The current noise code is reflective of when the saw mills were running in town. Since the mills have been closed for 30 years, it is important that we look at updating our code. Councilor Klein feels that this is an important aspect of our Visioning Plan, as people appreciate the peaceful and tranquil quality that our town offers.

Mr. Huff informed Council that there may be some action for Urban Renewal at the next council meeting. He and the Finance Director has been working on a few amendments.

### **B. Mayor**

Mayor Swigart informed the citizens of Molalla that Clackamas County is still moving forward with tolling I-205 and I-5. He pleaded with citizens to contact Clackamas County or the Clackamas County Commissioners, if they wish to see this action stopped.

Mr. Swigart reminded citizens during this time of election campaigning, that it is important to not believe everything we read on social media. Mr. Swigart directed citizens to the city website for accurate information.

C. City Councilors

Councilor Newland had nothing to report.

Councilor Klein attends White House briefing calls bi-weekly. This week the topic regarded the deployment of more medication to states that need it to combat Covid-19. Plasma is being requested from people that have had the virus, to help those that are suffering from it now.

Councilor Shankle reminded citizens that Trash Day is being held on Saturday, July 25, 2020 from 8am-4pm at Bohlander Field.

Councilor Robles had nothing to report

11. ADJOURN

*A motion was made by Councilor Shankle to adjourn the meeting at 7:39pm, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 5-0.*

  
Keith Swigart, Mayor

August 26, 2020  
Date

ATTEST: Christie DeSantis  
Christie DeSantis, City Recorder