



Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Civic Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
September 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of September 14, 2022 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:00pm.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Leota Childress, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Crystal Robles, and Councilor Eric Vermillion.

Absent: Council President Jody Newland.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Mac Corthell, Community Development Director.

Mayor Keyser announced that due to the large number of people attending the meeting, Public Comment would be moved to Item 10 in the order of Agenda.

A motion was made by Councilor Childress to change the order of the Agenda, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Meeting Minutes – August 24, 2022

A motion was made by Councilor Robles to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution No. 2022-18: Recycled Water Irrigation Gun - Sole Source Determination

Community Development Director Corthell explained that the Resolution is part of a holistic approach being taken by the City to ensure the maximum potential from its existing Wastewater Facilities during this interim period, before the new Plant can come online. The City currently owns four largely identical Irrigation Guns built to a special specification. During certain phases of plant operation, the bottleneck on capacity can be the speed at which the City can irrigate the water.

The addition of a fifth gun will directly increase this capacity. In addition, if this fifth Irrigation Gun is built to the same specification as the other four, the City will benefit from part interchangeability and other redundancy considerations, that will help ensure this capacity is available even during certain kinds of breakdowns.

A motion was made by Councilor Vermillion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-18, seconded by Councilor Klein. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. 2022 Progress Report

In January, Council and city staff held a Goal Setting Conference. City Manager Huff gave Council an update status of work items that have been completed in 2022. Mr. Huff also shared topics to be discussed, as well as staff and Council involvement with other agencies.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

- City Recorder Teets
 - A. Certification of Candidates

City Recorder Teets shared the official Certification of Candidates for the November General Elections. Candidates are Rae Botsford, Leota Childress, Tom Luttrell, and Terry Shankle. A Measure prohibiting psilocybin use is also being presented to voters in November.

Ms. Teets announced which candidates had consented to a criminal background check, explaining that it is a requirement to check the box either consenting or refusing, not to fill out the form. Councilor Childress asked if not filling out a background check would keep a candidate from running for election, Ms. Teets replied that it would not.

B. Astound Broadband Rate Increase

Ms. Teets presented the Astound Broadband Rate increase to Council. Mayor Keyser asked when the franchise agreement with them expired, Ms. Teets responded in 2024.

- Community Development Director Corthell shared that he would submit his Director's Report at the end of the month.
- City Manager Huff shared a Police Department update to Council. Tours of the existing facility will begin soon, demonstrating the need for a new facility. People are encouraged to sign up with the Police Department. He explained that staff are preparing to present a Bond to citizens in November 2023.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- Councilor Vermillion gave meeting updates for the MRSD Board and Chamber of Commerce. SK8 Molalla is also holding an upcoming meeting. He also congratulated the Celebrate Molalla team for a successful event.
- Councilor Shankle had nothing to report.
- Councilor Childress expressed her thanks to the Celebrate Molalla Team of Terry Shankle, Roxie Smith, and Pamela Lucht for a great event. She also thanked City staff for all of their help. Councilor Childress also commended the Apple Festival for their great event.
- Councilor Robles shared that the Parks CPC had a great response at Celebrate Molalla. Over \$1100 was raised for Parks, with a large donation coming from Price Autobody.
- Councilor Klein explained the Beatification & Culture CPC is in the final stages of presenting a Mural Code to Council.
- Mayor Keyser congratulated Celebrate Molalla on a great event, and asked for more help from Council next year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jennifer Satter, Molalla resident, explained that Tom Luttrell did not fill out the background check form for candidacy because he did not want his social security number listed on the form. She also feels that Tom tells the truth and is respectful, making him a quality candidate for council.

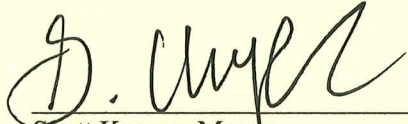
Thomas Luttrell, Molalla resident, requested that Council excuse the Mayor of his duties while he is under investigation, or that the Mayor excuse himself until the investigation is complete. (Note: this comment is in reference to the investigation that Clackamas County Sheriff's Office is conducting, regarding the Mayor pointing a firearm at a resident while on Buckeroo property. This was not a City sanctioned event.) The Mayor asked the Council if they would like to make a motion. There was no response.

Jackie Sue McCoy, Molalla resident, spoke on behalf of a group of citizens in support of Mayor Keyser. She commented on his integrity and passion for the citizens of Molalla, stating that they were all present to show support for him.

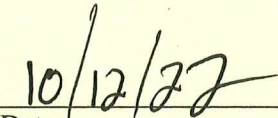
For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube
"Molalla City Council Meetings – September 14, 2022"

ADJOURN

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 7:37pm.



Scott Keyser, Mayor



Date

ATTEST:



Christie Teets, City Recorder