

# Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

# Molalla Civic Center 315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038 August 24, 2022

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of August 24, 2022 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:00pm.

#### **COUNCIL ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Jody Newland, Councilor Leota Childress, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Crystal Robles, and Councilor Eric Vermillion.

Absent: Councilor Elizabeth Klein.

# STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Mac Corthell, Community Development Director; Andy Peters, Public Works Division Manager; Chaunee Seifried, Finance Director.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Meeting Minutes August 10, 2022
- B. 2022 Budgeted Backhoe Purchase

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 COMMENT**

None.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

#### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. Mercury TMDL Report

Public Works Division Manager Peters shared the Staff report for the Mercury TMDL. The City of Molalla has been working to implement the new requirements for the past two years and has updated its TMDL to comply with these new rules. Care has been taken to identify, and plan for the implementation of, mercury reduction strategies that will meet the requirements while resulting in the least impact to budgets, staff, and the public. He also shared that DEQ has pre-approved our document.

A motion was made by Councilor Robles to approve the Mercury TMDL Report, seconded by Councilor Childress. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

# B. Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

City Manager Huff explained to Council that it took many years to accomplish the task of earning the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. This year is the third year in a row that we have been honored by earning this award. Mr. Huff feels that it is very important for the community to see that the City is fiscally responsible.

Finance Director Seifried shared that each year the award is earned, more tasks and requirements are added. Staff is very proud to have earned this award again.

Council members expressed their thanks and congratulations.

# STAFF COMMUNICATION

- City Recorder Teets shared an Election Candidate with Council. Candidate Ashly Hansen has withdrawn from the election process. This leaves Martin Ornelas, Rae Botsford, Thomas Luttrell, Terry Shankle and Leota Childress running.
- PW Division Manager Peters gave an update on Strawberry Park, which completed this week.
- Community Development Director Corthell shared his thanks to Mr. Peters on the hard work that was put into Strawberry Park, along with the money he was able to save by looking into procurement options. Mr. Corthell shared his monthly director report, which is available on the City's website, as well as the Molalla Current.
- Finance Director Seifried had no report.
- City Manager Huff shared that his focus this week is on Celebrate Molalla.

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- Councilor Vermillion shared updates on the MRSD Board Meetings. A town hall meeting has been discussed. The Chamber will hold an election in October for new members. Molalla Cares presented Skate Park committee chair, Rae Botsford, with a check for \$1,411.00.
- Councilor Shankle will have Councilor Childress give a Celebrate Molalla update.
- Councilor Childress shared the history of Celebrate Molalla. She and Councilor Klein worked together with the Ford Family Foundation and the community to create the Vision and Action Plan. When it was complete, the celebration took place.
- Council President Newland is excited about everything going on with the Parks right now.
- Councilor Robles announced Citizenship Classes are beginning at the Library on September 17<sup>th</sup>. She encouraged people to contact the Library for more information. Councilor Robles also shared that the Parks CPC will be at Celebrate Molalla, promoting fundraising opportunities.
- Mayor Keyser announced that Carissa Ross was awarded the Outstanding Neighbor Award between Canby and
  Molalla. He also participated in the Oregon Mayor's Association Conference recently, and was proud to represent
  Molalla. He gave his thanks and admiration to the new bookmobile, and thanked Library Director Hadley for her hard
  work on the project. Mayor Keyser was involved in a roundtable discussion earlier in the day with Leader McCarthy,
  and felt it was good representation for Molalla.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Keyser announced that Council would recess to Executive Session at 7:52pm. Mayor Keyser announced that letter 'e' had been removed from the Executive Session agenda. Council went to private chambers.

Held pursuant to Oregon Public Record Law, ORS 192.660(2):

- (d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.
- (e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube "Molalla City Council Meetings – August 24, 2022"

**ADJOURN** 

Mayor Keyser resumed the regular session at 8:36 and then immediately adjourned the meeting.

Scott Keyser, Mayor

Date

9/14/27

ATTEST:

Christie Teets, City Recorder