



Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Civic Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
May 24, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of May 24, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:02pm.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

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

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Mac Corthell, Community Development Director; Dan Zinder, Senior Planner, Chris Long, Police Chief; Bobby Call, Lieutenant. Guest speaker: Jennifer Arnold, Emerio Designs.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Keyser announced that Molalla HOPE, LLC. would like to reschedule the presentation for this evening to another meeting, therefore the item has been removed. He also requested that Public Comment be held after General Business.

Council President Newland made a motion to approve the agenda with the adjustments described, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Work Session Meeting Minutes – May 10, 2023
- B. City Council Meeting Minutes – May 10, 2023

Councilor Robles made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

- A. Clackamas Community College – Bond Presentation (Vice Chair Jane Reid)

Jane Reid with Clackamas Community College introduced herself and President Tim Cook. They are sharing items from the completion of the college that was provided by bond funds of Clackamas County voters. The college is currently in the top five of community colleges in the nation.

- B. Molalla HOPE, Inc. – Presentation to Council (Molalla HOPE Board)

The presentation was cancelled/rescheduled for another meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Housing Production Strategy

Dan Zinder, Senior Planner, provided the staff report for the Housing Production Strategy. He explained the process and what the responsibilities of Council are at this time. Council needs to adopt the strategies that they feel are most appropriate to the citizens of Molalla.

Mayor Keyser opened the Public Hearing for the Housing Production Strategy at 7:31pm. He invited citizens in favor to speak at the hearing.

Mike Simmons, non-Molalla resident, suggested that the City consider a landbank, which would provide the city with control over what would be developed.

There were no comments in opposition.

Mayor Keyser closed the Public Hearing at 7:33pm.

- B. Ordinance No. 2023-05: Changing the Comprehensive Plan Zoning Map and Zoning Map for Thirty-Two(32) Publicly Owned Properties Located Within the City Limits to a Public/Semi-Public Base Zone to Cure Zoning Inconsistencies

Mr. Zinder provided the staff report to Council, explaining the importance of the current zone inconsistencies.

Mayor Keyser opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2023-05 at 7:39pm. No citizens spoke in favor or opposition, therefore Mayor Keyser closed the hearing at 7:40pm.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Ordinance No. 2023-05: Changing the Comprehensive Plan Zoning Map and Zoning Map for Thirty-Two(32) Publicly Owned Properties Located Within the City Limits to a Public/Semi-Public Base Zone to Cure Zoning Inconsistencies

Having held the Public Hearing for the Zone Change, Mayor Keyser invited Council to make a motion.

A motion was made by Councilor Childress to hold the First Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-05 by title only, seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 7-0, with Councilor Vermillion, Councilor Shankle, Councilor Childress, Council President Newland, Councilor Robles, Councilor Botsford, and Mayor Keyser voting Aye.

A motion was made by Council President Newland to hold the Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-05 by title only, seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 7-0, with Councilor Vermillion, Councilor Shankle, Councilor Childress, Council President Newland, Councilor Robles, Councilor Botsford, and Mayor Keyser voting Aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Draft Camping Ordinance Discussion

City Manager Huff presented the most recent draft of the public camping ordinance to Council. City Recorder Teets distributed two documents to Council, while Mr. Huff explained their significance. Mr. Huff explained that the portion of time and manner in the ordinance had been addressed, with the remaining topic being place. Staff feels that it would be beneficial to present place in the form of a resolution, making it simpler to make necessary alterations in the future. Council provided input to staff for how they would like the final ordinance to read.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Char Penne, Molalla resident, is in favor of closing the Warming Shelter.

David Potts, Molalla resident, is in favor of closing the Warming Shelter and would like larger cities to provide sheltering services.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

- Community Development Director Corthell shared with Council that three new employees have joined the Community Development Department. He explained in detail the projects that are taking place in Molalla during the summer months. All information is provided on the Molalla Current.
- Lieutenant Call shared that staff is receiving a large number of Special Event Permits currently. Summer months will be busy.
- Police Chief Long stated that staff is gearing up for the 4th of July holiday. Overtime for Buckeroo has been scheduled and plans are coming together. Chief also shared an update on demolition at the new police facility site, which is almost complete.
- City Recorder Teets had nothing to report.
- City Manager Huff had nothing to report.

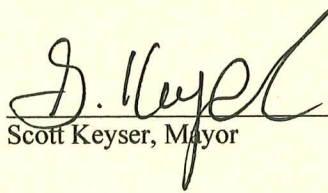
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- Councilor Vermillion shared upcoming meeting dates for Molalla River School District.
- Councilor Shankle announced that the Beautification & Culture Committee earned a grant to complete the set of Winter Banners that hang on Main Street and Molalla Avenue. Currently there are twenty banners, with twenty more needed.
- Councilor Childress provided a statement regarding Mayor Keyser’s Facebook Live where he announced that she had made an ethics violation connected to her work with Molalla HOPE. (The statement is attached to these meeting minutes.) Councilor Childress then made a request for volunteers for Celebrate Molalla
- Council President Newland shared that the next Town Hall meeting will be held at the Molalla Adult Center on Friday, June 5th from 11:00am-12:00pm. She also shared that the next Parks CPC meeting will be held at the Fox Park Pavilion on Monday, June 5th at 5:00pm.
- Councilor Robles shared summer activities that are taking place at the Library. Councilor Robles thanked Mayor Keyser and Council President Newland for joining her and residents of Plaza los Robles at the Library recently. She was able to explain the upcoming camping ordinance and the effects of House Bill 3115 to the Hispanic community. There will be a follow-up meeting on June 2, 2023 at Plaza los Robles.
- Councilor Botsford announced a Chamber of Commerce held a meeting recently that Lt. Call attended. She thanked him for his input on the new parade staging location, that should make things much easier.
- Mayor Keyser announced the new location of the Thursday Farmer’s Market. It has moved from the Hoffman House to Molalla River Brewing. He also shared details about the July 4th Food Cart event that is being held at the Molalla Nazarene Church.

For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube
“Molalla City Council Meetings – May 24, 2023”

ADJOURN

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 8:49pm.

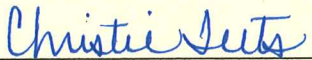


Scott Keyser, Mayor

June 14, 2023

Date

ATTEST:



Christie Teets, CMC
City Recorder

Dear Mayor and City Council Members:

I would like to emphasize the urgent need to shut down the warming center in a residential neighborhood. As the weather grows warmer, we anticipate an influx of people from other cities and counties seeking shelter. Unfortunately, the center is poorly run, providing goods without any requirement of services to integrate them back in to a civilized society. This is called enabling.

The burden of monitoring and ensuring the safety of the surrounding area has been unjustly placed upon the neighborhood and its residents. It is assumed that they should take on the responsibility of calling the police whenever they witness unsavory behavior or nefarious activities near the warming center. This assumption is unfair and places an undue burden on their community.

We have made it explicitly clear to Molalla HOPE that this facility is not welcome in a residential neighborhood, especially considering the presence of children. The State of Oregon mandates that we designate a safe place for the unhoused to go during the evening. I propose that this designated area be situated on the outskirts of town, away from residential neighborhoods. By doing so, we can ensure the safety and security of our community members while still fulfilling our obligations.

Additionally, it is disheartening to hear derogatory comments made by two city council members regarding the neighborhood's character. These comments suggest a lack of empathy and understanding for the challenges faced by the residents. I propose that these council members experience firsthand the realities of living near the center by spending several evenings in the neighborhood while the center is in operation. This experience may help them gain a deeper appreciation for the concerns and hardships faced by the residents.

In conclusion, the warming center's continued operation in its current location is detrimental to the well-being and safety of our neighborhood. By relocating the facility to an appropriate area and ensuring proper management and regulations, we can create a win-win situation that provides much-needed assistance to those in need while also preserving the harmony and security of our residential neighborhoods. I urge you to consider the many concerns that have been raised and take the necessary steps to shut the warming center down at its current location.

DAVID POTTS– 5/24/23 – CITY TESTIMONY

I have observed what happens when The Homeless Industrial Complex gets entrenched in a City. More and more money flows in, but the homeless population gets ever larger, and we are told we just need to be patient and allocate more funds.

Molalla HOPE offers a band-aid as a solution to a problem far too large for Molalla to address on their own. We have seen the rationalizations for the inability of Molalla HOPE to manage their clientele. In the end it is their neighbors who suffers and the taxpaying public who pay and end up not trusting City Council for allowing this to continue.

Molalla HOPE's warming/cooling center is a foothold for the Homeless Industrial Complex. The majority of Molalla does not want an ever-larger houseless population living in tents reliant on the remainder of the community providing for their every need, rationalizing, and allowing their antisocial behavior. Molalla lacks the resources and tax base that our larger more affluent neighbors use to finance their failing attempt to house people who are incapable or unwilling to follow basic rules that everyone else adheres to in order to remain housed. Let the larger cities support shelters.

The city sanctioned rent-free facility run by Molalla HOPE must be closed to protect the livability of Molalla. As a county recognized and funded shelter, it makes our city a destination for unhoused people from the rest of Clackamas County. Let the larger better funded cities run the shelters and social services programs to get the unhoused into transitional housing and with any luck, into permanent housing.

NO MORE TENTS IN MOLALLA!

From: [Jody Newland](#)
To: [City Recorder](#)
Subject: Homeless Shelter lease renewal
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 11:13:02 AM

Liz asked me to please forward this to you for our public record.
Thanks, Jody

From: **Liz Williams** <liz.willy2008@gmail.com>

My name is Liz Williams.

I have lived in Molalla for 14 years now, the last four have been within city limits.

Molalla is a very special place full of many wonderful people.

I come before you as an individual of faith in a compassionate God.

I do not speak or come forward for a Molalla organization, but rather my hope for finding solutions that will better help people.

First, I would like to thank those who wanted to bring the shelter into our community with hopes of helping individuals in transition. I'm saddened by spiteful attacks made on these compassionate people. We all need to converse, listen and learn more - not attack for our own opinions. Thank you.

Second, I welcome a chance to publicly thank and recognize this Council for your hard work, hours and commitment for our community. I know your time, energy and prayers goes beyond these meetings. Thank you.

Third, I would like to state that I do not think a county wide shelter is helpful to the individuals coming to use it.

I am glad we gave it a chance, but it is not working.

I will list what I have observed and things that have INCREASED since the county wide shelter opened.

I have observed first hand the following:

-people using the online information to see if the center is open and then people travel to our community to get into it. These are people not from Molalla.

-I have called county resources myself trying to help someone find a place, and they told me Molalla is open. I knew it was not, thus why I called. This individual told me they came to Molalla because it was known to be 'safer'. (By the way we did find them shelter-Molalla IS a caring community.) It took days for this individual to leave Molalla to get more necessary resources.

-I have observed new to Molalla people trying to camp outside store fronts, and leaving litter behind. The smell behind the building from waste has increased.

-I have changed my walks through Ivor Davies to always include my dog, due to unfamiliar people acting irrationally.

-I have observed people leaving the park swearing irately.

- I have observed people leaving a trail of trash as they move along.
- Our park bridge boards have been kicked, removed and brought into the woods.
- I have observed locked bathrooms where children and families go.
- I have observed 'odd behavior' and incoherent conversation in front of bathroom doors by people with bags and wagons. Not a place you would allow children to go use.
- I have observed videos of brazen thievery from people porches.
- I am disheartened that people with lots of stuff, a dog, black bags and boxes of food reside all day in the pavilion by the library. There is no open restroom there!! I also have watched children and families walk up to the pavilion to use it, hesitate then turn around.

I'm almost 62 years old and know and have seen every community has people with 'special needs.' We as a community need to focus on our own people so we can help them better. Currently we are enabling poor behaviors with negative reinforcement. Giving Shelter (and food) to county-wide people is too large of a problem for Molalla to do well.

Again I am grateful for this compassionate council that want to obey the laws and help people in need and protect the benefits of living in the city of Molalla.

Please do not renew the lease, please look into different services and solutions.

Thank you for allowing me to share what I have personally observed.

Liz Williams.

From: [Dan Huff](#)
To: [Andrea Nordahl](#)
Cc: [Christie Teets](#)
Subject: RE: Houseless and social services-idea
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 7:59:04 AM

Andrea – Thank you for your comments. I have been out for the past week, but we will be working through some of these items soon. Let us know if you have additional comments or concerns.

Dan Huff
City Manager
City of Molalla, Oregon
(503)829-6855



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From: Andrea Nordahl <anordahl2@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2023 12:35 PM
To: Crystal Robles <crobles@cityofmolalla.com>; Eric Vermillion <evermillion@cityofmolalla.com>; Rae-Lynn Botsford <rbotsford@cityofmolalla.com>; Terry Shankle <tshankle@cityofmolalla.com>; Dan Huff <dhuff@cityofmolalla.com>; Jody Newland <jnewland@cityofmolalla.com>; Scott Keyser <skeyser@cityofmolalla.com>
Cc: bcc@clackamas.us
Subject: Houseless and social services-idea

Happy Friday!

I was to start by saying Thank You for all your hard work.

I have been sitting and thinking a lot lately about the lack of social services in our outlying towns or just in general in Clackamas County. I had a couple thoughts that may be worth exploring or just starting a conversation on.

In my profession I work with a lot of nonprofits and it just so happens the names I am going to give you happen to be a few I have worked with.

I wonder if the the City or County could have a conversation with the following nonprofit organizations:

Central City Concern - They have millions of dollars in affordable housing and programs for drug rehabilitation and more.

New Narrative - transitional housing, supportive housing, independent housing, addiction services

Cedar Sinai Park - affordable housing

4D recovery - substance abuse recovery housing

Coda - substance abuse treatment and supported housing

Fora Health Treatment & Recovery - addiction services

Cascades Behavioral Healthcare - mental health, addiction recovery services

Maybe the city could work with them about bringing some of their resources here to Molalla? Or possibly assisting those houseless to get into one of their buildings. Just thinking out loud.

There are hundreds more nonprofit's all around us that offer similar services. They all get government funding. We just need to see if we can get their assistance out here.

Thank you all.

Molalla Resident and lifetime Oregonian.

Andrea

From: [Dan Huff](#)
To: [Christie Teets](#)
Subject: FW: The Homeless Crisis
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 9:01:27 AM

From: Jodi Dix <jodidix503@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 8:58 AM
To: Dan Huff <dhuff@cityofmolalla.com>
Subject: Re: The Homeless Crisis

I received your message. Thank you. I thought you were going to be talking about the hope lease tonight. I guess if that is not the subject my letter doesn't do much good. So you don't have to read it if that's not what's on the agenda.

Thank you,

Jodi Dix

On Wed, May 24, 2023 at 8:07 AM Dan Huff <dhuff@cityofmolalla.com> wrote:

Ms. Dix – Thank you for your e-mail. I appreciate the comments you continue to provide regarding this difficult issue. The City Council will be finalizing the draft required “camping” ordinance tonight, but a final decision will not be made until June. However, this decision does not impact or influence a future decision on the Molalla Hope, LLC lease. A decision on the lease will be made by Council in June as well.

I can appreciate some of what Commissioner West is promoting because I agree with him that the programs in place for homeless today do not work and only promote continuing the lifestyle. Please remember that the decision on the warming shelter is a Molalla City Council decision and theirs alone. The County can make comments just like you have made, but it is not their decision to make.

Thank you again for your comments and please be watching. We have some developing ideas that should come out shortly.

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From: Jodi Dix <jodidix503@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 10:22 PM

To: Terry Shankle <tshankle@cityofmolalla.com>; Scott Keyser <skeyser@cityofmolalla.com>; Jody Newland <jnewland@cityofmolalla.com>; Crystal Robles <crobles@cityofmolalla.com>; Eric Vermillion <evermillion@cityofmolalla.com>; Rae-Lynn Botsford <rbotsford@cityofmolalla.com>; Dan Huff <dhuff@cityofmolalla.com>

Subject: The Homeless Crisis

Dear Council Members,

You have my permission to read this at the council meeting.

My name is Jodi Dix. I have lived in the Molalla area for 47 years. I'm writing you another letter because I feel you need to hear this again. When council Shankle said closing the warming center was not going to end the homeless population being in Molalla at the last council meeting, she was right. There will always be some homeless people in Molalla, however It will prevent others from coming to our town from the surrounding cities. I think we are one of three warming centers in Clackamas county, If I'm not mistaken. I do have a big heart and I love to help people that want to help themselves. It's very obvious to me that most of them don't want help, they want to steal things, do drugs, fight with each other, and have sex in broad daylight. They break into abandoned houses and businesses and leave garbage and drug paraphernalia everywhere in our town. This town's too small to have a warming center without having the other resources needed to actually help them address their drug addictions and mental illness. Most of them won't seek help anyways. We don't feel safe in our town anymore! Our children don't feel safe in our town anymore!

I emailed Ben West and he emailed me back saying the compassionate approach is not closing the only resource available, rather providing increased personalized outreach to meet folks where they are at and help them along their path to services, housing, and now the county is going to expand services and resources into rural communities. This is so ridiculous! This will take a long time for us to have any services and resources here in Molalla. Oregon City already has these resources now. We need to shut the warming center down before the homeless wandering our streets increases. It's already bad now. Not to mention we have a skate park next door to it. I really feel this building needs to be turned into something good for our kids in our community. The homeless are posing a huge safety risk to our children, elderly and all of the residents of our small community. Please consider the funding for this warming center to be pulled and the lease canceled. They can have easier access to services and resources that they so desperately need close to them where there are already services established.

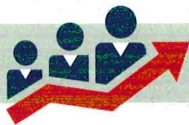
Thank you so much for letting me share my concerns.

Jodi Dix

**CCC IN MOLALLA**2021 Molalla population: **10,201****High School
Connections**

- Out of 18,842 CCC students (total for 2021-22) **420 were from Molalla.**
- **152** students graduated from Molalla High School in 2019-20 and 26% enrolled at CCC in 2020-21.
- **96** Advanced College Credit students from Molalla High School in 2021-22 earned a total of 824 credits, a tuition value of \$83,224.

High school graduation and credit data is based on figures provided by the Oregon Department of Education.

**Business
Connections**

- **21 Molalla and 5 Mulino businesses** were served by the Small Business Development Center in 2021.

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Clackamas Community College is governed by a Board of Education and has an elected representative for each of the seven zones that make up the college district. **Tim Cook serves as college president.**

CCC has three campuses: Oregon City Campus, Harmony Community Campus, and Wilsonville Campus. We also provide community education classes at many locations across our service district. **At CCC, we provide affordable, accessible education and training that leads to jobs.**



I represent Zone 7, which serves Canby, Molalla and Mulino areas.

My name is Irene Konev, Board Member at Clackamas Community College, and I welcome your feedback.

For questions or comments, please call 503-594-3000 or email irene.konev@clackamas.edu.

ABOUT OUR CAMPUSES

Clackamas Community College's vision is to empower individuals and strengthen communities. Our mission as our community's college is to cultivate equitable, innovative and responsive education.

In addition to transfer degree programs that pave the way for an easy transition to a four-year public university, CCC offers certificates and degrees in more than 90 career and technical programs; essential skills classes to prepare students for college; and diverse special events, enrichment programs, and continuing education opportunities.



Student Profile

- **Student Headcount:** 18,842 for 2021-22
- **Total Full-time Equivalence:** 4,578.6 for 2021-22
- **Course offerings:** associate degrees and certificates, college transfer degrees, career technical education, literacy/basic skills, community education, business training, job training, distance learning and partnerships for four-year degree completion programs.
- **Total degree and certificates completed in 2021-22:** 982

Tuition Comparison



Starting a four-year degree at Clackamas Community College can save individuals and families thousands of dollars on the cost of their education.

2022-23 Average Cost of Tuition and Fees Comparisons:

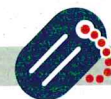
- Average Oregon **four-year private university** tuition and fees \$40,245
- Average Oregon **four-year public university** tuition and fees \$13,278
- **Clackamas Community College** tuition and fees \$5,850

Annual tuition and fees at CCC and Oregon four-year public and private universities is based on figures provided to the Oregon Office of Student Access and Completion by the institutions. OSAC NOTE: These "standard" undergraduate student budgets are for informational purposes only. They are based on full-time enrollment at 15 credit-hours/term and do not include insurance, loan fees, non-mandatory fees, or special program-specific fees. Actual budgets will vary from these "standard" budgets, depending upon program of study, course load, dependency status, and housing situations. (For certain programs, course loads may be restricted to less than 15 credit-hours per term.)



Student Access

- **Tuition for the 2021-22 school year** is \$111 per credit for in-state students.
- **Financial Aid:** For 2021-22 the total federal and state aid our students received was \$8,090,406.
- **Scholarships:** For 2021-22 the total in scholarships and waivers our students received was \$1,306,669.
- The **CCC Foundation provided \$717,942** in scholarships to students, funded through private donations in 2021. **The average award per student was \$2,130. One in three applicants (37%) were awarded a scholarship.**



Veterans Services

- An all-Inclusive Veterans Education and Training (VET) Center
- Dedicated VET Center Staff / full-time veteran advocates
- Veteran-specific counseling, advising and disability services
- Military Families Scholarship Endowment
- Veterans emergency need-based grants,
- textbook exchange
- Veteran-friendly military transcript & training evaluation for CCC credit
- Student Veterans Club focused on service and peer support
- Knowledgeable assistance with all college, community, and VA resources



Workforce

- Over the past five years (2017-2021), CCC offered 235 customized training sections, enrolling 1,381 students with the average of annual participation of 313.
- In 2021, the SBDC served 586 clients from Clackamas County and veterans in the Portland metropolitan area, with 60 training events and 963 attendees. Additionally, the center provided 1,908 free hours of business counseling and assisted with 204 business start-ups and \$7,357,667 capital infusion, with 351 jobs created.

A Lot of Smoke for a Little Fire

First Off, remember, the City does not do business on Facebook, the Council does not do business on Facebook, nor do I do business on Facebook.

On April 22, 2022, Molalla HOPE came before the Council to request a 10-year lease vs. a year-to-year agreement. At the time, I said that I had nothing to gain financially from changing to a lease. I said that in good faith, knowing that my hourly wage would not change. I misspoke in my statement. What I did not know was that because I was an employee of Molalla HOPE, the possibility of gain or loss on their behalf extended to me, personally.

In an email on March 13, the Mayor accused me of a conflict of interest and made a list of things he **expected** me to recuse myself from in the future:

- Any issue that has to anything to do with the Molalla Warming Center.
- Any issue that has anything to do with Molalla Hope.

- Anything at all that has to do, in any form, with the Homeless Houseless issues pertaining to our city.

He did say “This will not preclude you from speaking as the head of Molalla Hope as a citizen of the community.”

I talked to the Ethics Commission about these requests and ~~as long~~ ^{even though}

~~as~~ I am employed by Molalla HOPE, I am allowed to speak on any of these subjects unless action is being taken that would result in a definite financial gain or loss to Molalla HOPE. *To respond to his demands,*

I requested a meeting with the Mayor and the City Attorney. I

learned that he was planning to ask me to step down from Council or he was going to file an ethics violation.

At the time, I still didn't think I had committed a violation, so I called the Ethics Commission. That is when I learned that I actually had so I filed a complaint against myself.

The Mayor, the City Attorney, and CP Newland, met on April 11.

The Mayor told me to admit my mistake to the public. The upcoming Council meeting was the next evening, just 36 hours

away. I had not decided on how to approach the subject and didn't say anything at the meeting on the 12th.

I was not going to make such an announcement on Facebook.

On April 22, the Mayor decided to tell my story and went to Facebook live.

He intruded on my personal rights by not letting me handle my business my way, in my time. But now is my time.

My Wages from Molalla HOPE are now a big point of contention.

Yes, I draw a wage and although it is no one's business, I earned \$15,767 last year. My hourly pay doesn't change if we have fewer or more clients.

In summary, I did commit an ethical violation. There was no money involved on my part, I simply misspoke.

I have served Molalla for seven ^{1/2} years now and have three ^{1/2} years left on my present term.

In 2014 I applied to serve as a Councilor because I love this City.

I have been part of many city accomplishments over the years.

I have taken the lead on many things, too. Such as the Molalla Vision and Action Plan, Celebrate Molalla, The Spring Clean-Up, and a communication tool which became the Molalla Current, to name a few.

I have represented the City before The Ford Family Foundation Board of Directors, at a state-wide community builders conference, in a League of Oregon City session, a cub scouts' troop, and city businesses.

Being a City Councilor is not an easy job but I love it.

NOW, on to more fun things! Celebrate Molalla! August 26 at a new venue, Clark Park. Moved the time to 11am-7pm. Makes it easier for you to have dinner at one of the fabulous food trucks! Plenty of parking at Bohlander Field.

More info coming soon. Mark your calendar today.

I encourage you to visit the MPD