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MINUTES

MOSIER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 21, 2018

I	CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Burns called meeting to order at 6:34 pm.
II	<p>Council: All Council members in attendance Staff: City Manager, Colleen Coleman, City Recorder, Jayme Bennett Audience: Rod Runyon, County Commissioner, Brad DeHart, ODOT, Laura Kahler, Mosier Valley</p>
III	<p>Business from the Audience – Laura Kahler, of Mosier Valley came to speak to Council about her concerns regarding rapid growth and development of the general region, and more specifically, the affordability and livability of Mosier, and Mosier Valley, and any protections that could be put in place to prevent development at a State and Federal level. The council thanked Laura for coming to the meeting, and expressing her concerns. The mayor and Council President further acknowledged her concerns, and stated that the City has been concerned as well, and has been actively working through strategic planning, and other planning policies toward addressing affordable housing in the City of Mosier. The suggestion from Council was also to continue to participate at the meetings, and review previous minutes (specifically 2/7/18), participate in local involvement groups and help shape policies going forward.</p>
IV	<p>Council member Gries moved to approve minutes from 2/7/2018, as written and Council member Anderson seconded, all approved.</p>
V	BUSINESS
1.	<p>Brad Dehart, ODOT Creek Bridge Progress, I-84 Paving update Mosier to Rowena: Brad Dehart, Project Manager for ODOT gave an update of the progress and substantially completed Mosier Creek Bridge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Punch list items: the striping and timber paint needs to wait until better weather for proper application, temporary and permanent signage installation once community feedback is received. - Brad encourages positive and negative feedback and open discussion, as he can easily modify the paint, signage to ensure increased bike and pedestrian safety. - Discussion ensued around safety concerns, the need for additional signage, locating signage further away from the approach and the encouragement of community inclusion. - Cost estimate used for the basis of the loan was 212k and could come in as low as 140k. East side water connections under the bridge were tied into the bridge project, making the combined work well under the original budget. <p>I-84 to Tower Road paving project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Closures are eastbound off ramp at exit 69 and westbound on-ramp at exit 69 - Paving is expected to last no more than 4 days and is anticipated to commence the second week of April, (Sunday 7:00pm – Thursday 12:00 noon), weather dependent. - Short periods of detours are expected and will redirect traffic to Hood River and Rowena, which will be communicated through the City website, and community newsletter. Brad will update us weekly on exact timeline as it approaches. - Mayor Burns asked DeHart to confirm that all bridges are sound and seismic, he was able to that immediately.
2.	<p>Introduction of Jayme Bennett to the City of Mosier as the new City Recorder.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jayme Bennett was introduced to Council, and Council introduced to her. Jayme was hired for the City Recorder position on February 16th and this will be announced in the Community Newsletter.
3.	<p>Mosier Ordinance – Plastic Bag and Styrofoam Ban Public Reading.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mayor Burns introduced the ordinance (8.65) on plastic bags and Styrofoam

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Colleen Coleman, City Manager requested the council review the changes incorporated by the City Attorney before the ordinance is read publicly. - Discussion ensued around the addition of plastic straws to the plastic bag and styrofoam ban. - Council member Reed moved to include plastic straws to the ordinance (8.65), Council member Gries seconded. All approved. - The new ordinance (8.65) was read by all council publicly, and in 30 days will be adopted.
4.	<p>Adopt Strategic plan with comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Only one comment regarding the draft strategic plan, and it was noted to be positive. - Council member Wallace moved to adopt the strategic plan, Council member Berry seconded.
5.	<p>Mayor Burns to attended Ron Wyden Wasco County Town Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mayor Burns described Wyden’s talk and his encouraging support of the Mosier Joint Use facility, the derailment site restoration and other activities on the boards in Mosier.
6.	<p>City Hall Update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - City Manager, Colleen Coleman provided the following updates to the Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katie Robertson from the DEQ has hired Maul Foster and Alongi to do the ESA Phase I on the UPRR land as a preliminary step to the deed exchange between UPRR and the City. • Mosier Hubs are applying for a Western Federal Lands FLAP grant – OR program receives \$32.9m annually, 100K should go to the HUB. • This Sunday the 25th of February will be a Joint Use Facility meeting with the Fire Board members and will be led by a neutral third party. • Final steps of USDA grant application for Well 5, and the update for Eastside water resources was given • Meeting schedules for City Hall Staff were provided, and Colleen Coleman requested time off March 13-21st, council approved. • City Hall to attend a State Budget Law workshop to prepare for the budgeting process. • Summer Sears to meet with City Hall for budget process and will report to Council as schedules allow (3/7 or 3/21).
7.	<p>Announcements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mayor Burns announced that Sheriff (Lane Magill) will hold a public meeting at the Mosier school, at 6:30 on March 5th regarding public safety. Mayor Burns will attend the event. - It was discussed that Council member Anderson and City Manager will meet with Friends of the Gorge to discuss the donation of the Mosier Mounds. Mayor Burns and Council member Wallace said they would like to attend as well. City Manager will schedule the meeting and contact them to confirm. - Council member Reed proposed team Mosier Celebration on April 13th. - Council member Wallace will make certificates for the “If I were the Mayor” contest. - Council member Reed will draft community newsletter.
<p>Council meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.</p>	

Approved this 7th day of March, 2018:

Attest:

Mayor Arlene Burns

Jayme Bennett, City Recorder