



MINUTES

Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Regular Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall
Approved: May 22, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sharon Konopa called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Konopa led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilors present: Mayor Sharon Konopa and Councilors Rich Kellum, Bill Coburn, Bessie Johnson, Alex Johnson II, and Dick Olsen

Councilors absent: Councilor Mike Sykes was excused.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

Proclamations

- 1) Mental Health Month.
The Mayor read the proclamation.

Dick Knowles, Chair of the Linn County Mental Health Advisory Board, spoke briefly about the mental health first-aid program. He said about 1,000 people sign up for the courses each year. Albany does a good job of focusing on mental health.

- 2) Global Love Day.
The Mayor read the proclamation.

- 3) Drinking Water Week.
The Mayor read the proclamation.

Management Assistant/Communications Officer Marilyn Smith said the City will hold a drinking water expo again this year in conjunction with the Procession of the Species on Saturday, April 27, on the plaza at City Hall.

Business from the Public

7:24 p.m.

Jacky Lindsay of Engineered Structures, Inc. (ESI), gave copies of a letter to the councilors (see agenda file). He said ESI will be starting work at Walmart on May 5. Some of the work will be outside at night. ESI wants to know if they need a noise permit. The council discussed what kind of work would take place outside the building, and where the closest homes are. Lindsay said most of the outdoor noise will be movement alarms on scissor lifts. The homes near the site are at the south side of the store; the council agreed that work on that side should be quiet. Councilor Dick Olsen asked if the alarms on the equipment can be turned off. Lindsay said ESI is looking into the possibility of disabling the alarms and using spotters instead.

Councilor Bill Coburn said he has been on sites where alarms weren't allowed. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) can allow the use of spotters.

Councilor Bessie Johnson asked if the company has done any outreach to neighbors. Lindsay said he is sure ESI will do outreach. He will follow up on it.

MOTION: Councilor Rich Kellum moved to allow ESI to work at Walmart at night on condition that equipment alarms have been legally silenced for work on the west and south sides. Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Jeff Heesacker, 320 Washington Street SW, said he has a good idea for Albany. When people check into a motel or hotel, they have to show picture identification. We have places where people come in for lodging and they don't ask for ID. It would be good for the council to make that happen so people could feel safe in shelters. If they had their own picture ID, they would feel more a part of the community.

Konopa said an ID requirement would be hard to manage. There is no background check to get picture ID, and motels and hotels don't ID every person in a group.

City Attorney Sean Kidd said the idea is well-intended but has some challenges. A lot of homeless people don't have ID. If it's a requirement, shelters would have to turn them away. Courts have ruled that people who don't have a place to stay can't be cited for some offenses.

Adoption of Consent Calendar

7:39 p.m.

- 1) Approval of Minutes
 - a) March 11, 2019, Joint City Council and Planning Commission Work Session.
 - b) March 25, 2019, City Council Work Session.
 - c) April 2, 2019, Capital Improvement Program Joint Work Session.
- 2) Adoption of Resolutions
 - a) Directing staff to prepare an engineer's report and a financial investigation for the establishment of a Local Improvement District to construct Timber Ridge Street bridge improvements at Burkhart Creek. RES. NO. 6789
 - b) Accepting a variable width sanitary sewer easement as part of SS-17-01. Linn County Map & Tax Lot No. 11S03W05DD 00202. RES. NO. 6790
- 3) Authorizing the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 02 of Cooperative Improvement Agreement No. 31440 with the Oregon Department of Transportation.
- 4) Authorizing staff to notify the Oregon Department of Transportation that the City intends to accept Local Bridge Program funding for improving the Salem Avenue Bridge over Cox Creek.

MOTION: Coburn moved to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented. Johnson II seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

Award of Bid

7:39 p.m.

ST-18-02, awarding a bid to Kodiak Pacific Construction Co. for Santa Maria Avenue improvements.

City Engineer Staci Belcastro said staff recommends awarding the bid to Kodiak in the amount of \$1,851,622. Staff also requests waiver of a minor bid irregularity in Kodiak's proposal. The irregularity is a math error that reduced their bid amount by \$800. They were the low bidder, regardless.

MOTION: Kellum moved to award the bid. Johnson II seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

Coburn asked Belcastro if she'd worked with Kodiak before. He said he has, and they're excellent.

Appointment

7:42 p.m.

MOTION: Kellum moved to appoint Nolan Streitberger to the Traffic Safety Commission. Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL

7:44 p.m.

Johnson said she had a question about the contract change order on the Consent Calendar. The contract was supposed to be finished in March. Why is the council just receiving a change order extending the contract term.

Public Works Engineering and Community Development Director Jeff Blaine said the only work that's left is ADA ramps. The amendment is housekeeping. The City and Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) were in agreement about the progress of the work, but ODOT requires this formal process to amend the contract.

Coburn asked when the manholes on Lyon and Ellsworth streets will be leveled. Blaine said we have the permits. Now we need to get quotes for the work.

City Manager Peter Troedsson said two Young South East Asian Leadership fellows will arrive Saturday. One is a landscape architect from Thailand, and one is an economic development specialist from the Philippines. They will be at the City for four weeks.

Troedsson also said Kim Lyddane has accepted the City's conditional offer for the position of Parks & Recreation director. The City will honor outgoing Parks & Recreation Director Ed Hodney at the June 26, 2019, council meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

- Monday, May 6, 2019; 4:00 p.m. Work Session
- Wednesday, May 8, 2019; 7:15 p.m. Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Allison Liesse
Deputy City Clerk

Peter Troedsson
City Manager