



MINUTES

Wednesday, July 24, 2019
Regular Session
Council Chambers, City Hall
Approved: August 14, 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, Dick Olsen, and Mike Sykes

Councilors absent: None

Konopa welcomed Boy Scouts from Troop 99 and Troop 322.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE

Amending the Albany Municipal Code concerning the title and decision-making authority of the Landmarks Advisory Commission.

City Attorney Sean Kidd read the ordinance for the first time in title only: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SECTIONS OF ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, THAT RELATE TO THE CITY'S LANDMARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION, MODIFYING THE DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY.

MOTION: Councilor Bill Coburn moved to have the city attorney read the ordinance for a second time in title only. Councilor Bessie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Kidd read the ordinance for the second time in title only.

MOTION: Coburn moved to adopt the ordinance and Johnson seconded. The motion passed and was designated Ordinance No. 5931.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

Implementing parking restrictions on Opal Court.

Councilor Rich Kellum discussed options for signage. Staff will wordsmith language on the signs to make it clear that deliveries are allowed.

MOTION: Kellum moved to adopt the resolution and have staff wordsmith the language on the sign so that it does not restrict deliveries, and Johnson seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 6823.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

7:25 p.m.

Awarding a contract to D & I Excavating, Inc., for WL-19-01, Belmont Avenue Area Water Line Replacements.

City Engineer Staci Belcastro shared details of the bid as outlined in the staff report. The City has worked with the successful bidder on another project, and they were great to work with.

MOTION: Coburn moved to award the contract to D & I Excavating in the amount of \$1,251,599.50. Councilor Alex Johnson II seconded and it passed 6-0.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

7:30 p.m.

- a. Accepting Daniel Sullivan's resignation from the Planning Commission.
- b. Appointing Michael Braibish to the Transient Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.
- c. Appointing Steve Borst to the Library Board.
- d. Approval of Minutes
 - 1) May 22, 2019, City Council Meeting.
 - 2) June 10, 2019, Joint Work Session.
 - 3) June 10, 2019, City Council Work Session.
 - 4) June 12, 2019, City Council Meeting.
 - 5) June 24, 2019, City Council Work Session.
 - 6) June 26, 2019, City Council Meeting.
- e. Recommendation to OLCC:
 - 1) Approving the limited on-premises sales, liquor license application for Margin Coffee, LLC, location at 206 Second Avenue SW.

MOTION: Johnson moved to adopt the Consent Calendar with item 7.d.3) removed for discussion. Councilor Mike Sykes seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Johnson noted that the minutes for item 7.d.3) state that she and Sykes were absent, but they were excused. Staff will make the change.

MOTION: Johnson moved to adopt item 7.d. 3) with corrections. Coburn seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

STAFF REPORTS

- 1) Timber Ridge Street Bridge at Burkhart Creek Local Improvement District (LID) resolution decision.

Development Services Manager Matthew Ruetters said formation of the LID is no longer necessary given the agreement between the city and the developer. Staff is asking council to deny the resolution forming the LID.

The action for this item was moved to later in the meeting.

- 2) City Solutions Team.

7:35 p.m.

Police Lieutenant Casey Dorland and Management Assistant/Communications Officer Marilyn Smith gave a PowerPoint presentation (see agenda file). Dorland described the city's efforts in cleaning up homeless camps beginning in 2006. He described the first homeless summit in Albany, followed by the establishment of the Homeless Enrichment and Rehabilitation Team. City staff has been involved in the homeless issue for a long time. He described the impact to public safety, city services, and the community. The council has passed ordinances that allowed public safety to address community issues, and as a result Albany is a very clean city in comparison to others.

The City Solutions Team (CST) was spearheaded by Dorland and Smith in March 2019. Working with Jack Blackford, the director of Communities Helping Addicts Navigate Change Effectively (CHANCE), the CST developed an assistance approach whereby people who identify as homeless or addicted are asked if they would like CHANCE to meet them curbside for an immediate intake. CST's goals are to reduce homelessness, provide a path out of addiction, and provide a path to mental health services. There are many community partners and more are being added as the successful program grows.

There was discussion about the need for a detox facility in Albany.

City Manager Peter Troedsson and Police Chief Mario Lattanzio commended Smith and Dorland for their leadership. They were presented with a City of Albany coin and a letter (see agenda file).

- 3) REVISIT: Timber Ridge Street Bridge at Burkhart Creek LID resolution decision.

There was a resolution on the dais (see agenda file).

MOTION: Johnson moved to deny the resolution on the dais, which was first presented for consideration on May 22, 2019, regarding the Timber Ridge Street Bridge at Burkhart Creek Local Improvement District. Kellum seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL

8:12 p.m.

Councilor Bill Coburn spoke about the use of 911 by assisted living facilities when residents fall. The councilors discussed fees charged by assisted living facilities. The concern is fairness so that taxpayers are not subsidizing services.

There was discussion about an appointment to the Planning Commission.

Troedsson distributed a matrix of potential revenue sources and potential cost saving measures (see agenda file). The items that were clearly rejected were moved to the bottom of the list. Councilors were asked to rank the remaining nine revenue items and three cost containment items.

Troedsson discussed an email from Recreation Programs Manager Rob Romancier about pool usage (see agenda file).

Troedsson passed out page 5 of the June 10, 2015, City Council minutes (see agenda file). There, a motion was made regarding how net proceeds were to be used following the sale or transfer of the Jackson Street Police facility (see agenda file).

Troedsson read a letter he received from two people who recently moved to Albany and are renovating a house (see agenda file). They spoke about how much they enjoy living in this community.

Public Works Engineering and Community Development Director Jeff Blaine provided some history about food carts in Albany. Currently, the two options are a temporary 30-day merchant license which allows the cart to move around town, or a more permanent type which requires site plan review. The new food cart development in North Albany started with a temporary merchant license, but they are working to acquire the second type, where the establishments have their own water and wastewater connections.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, August 14, 2019; 7:15 p.m. City Council Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Mary Dibble
City Clerk

Peter Troedsson
City Manager

Note: Staff handouts referred to in the minutes as (see agenda file) are available on the website in the "Staff Handouts" column.