

**City of Gold Hill City Council
Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2019**

Mayor Newport called the meeting to order at **6:03 p.m.**; immediately followed by the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

- 1) Roll Call:** Mayor Newport, Councilors Canon, Hinkley, Lowe, Palmer, Studebaker, and Wilson responded as present. **QUORUM PRESENT.**

2) Agenda Adjustments

Mayor Newport moved Agenda Item **11.3 Motion to Finalize City Manager's Performance Evaluation** to the beginning as it was of major interest to the public. He first asked for public input. Councilor Wilson recused herself from the discussion and left Council Chambers.

3) Public Input

Lorraine Parks of Disabilities Recreation Project Inc. asked to be put on the agenda for a handicapped accessible fishing platform.

Jessie Kinney is opposed to the new jail and feels the Council is moving too fast towards that resolution.

Mayor Newport received input from every citizen present regarding City Manager Harry Staven – all were in support of him remaining as the City Manager.

4) Old Business

11.3 Motion to Finalize City Manager's Performance Evaluation

After hearing everyone's opinions, including response from City Manager Staven, Councilor Hinkley moved that the issue of City Manager Staven's termination be dropped, and that in January, the Council should do Harry Staven's six month review and move forward from there with a regular review schedule. Councilor Lowe seconded, with the addition that Council create some specific goals and priorities for the City Manager, so that he has clarity going forward as to what it is he is asked to achieve. Councilor Hinkley agreed to the addition. Councilor Canon: NO, Councilor Hinkley: YES, Councilor Lowe: YES, Councilor Palmer: NO, Councilor Studebaker: NO. **MOTION FAILED.**

Councilor Palmer motions to terminate City Manager Staven's contract without cause, effective November 5, 2019, under the provision in Paragraph 11 of the contract. Councilor Canon seconded. Councilor Canon: YES, Councilor Hinkley: NO, Councilor Lowe: NO, Councilor Palmer: YES, Councilor Studebaker: YES. **MOTION PASSED.**

After Motion passed, Mayor called a 5 minute recess at 7:41 pm. Councilor Canon departed at recess; Councilor Wilson returned to the dais.

5) Presentations – Lampman Park Improvements - Freshwater Trust

Presentation was moved to the November 18, 2019 Agenda.

6) Staff Reports – Key Indicator and Financial Report – City Recorder

City Recorder Simpson reported the following key indicators:

1. Total bank balance: Approximate \$655k
2. Active Utility Accounts: 552
3. Active Business Licenses: 108
4. Jobs – A future key indicator to be tracked
5. Building Permits pulled: 2

7) Proclamations – NONE

8) Resolutions

8.1 AB – 037 Resolution Approving a Jackson County Order to Initiate Formation of a Jackson County Law Enforcement Service District and Consenting to the Inclusion of the City Territory within the Boundaries of the District that does or may not include all Jackson County Municipalities.

8.2 AB – 038 Resolution Approving a Jackson County Order to Initiate Formation of a Jackson County Law Enforcement Service District and Consenting to the Inclusion of the City Territory within the Boundaries of the District that does include All Jackson County Municipalities.

Sheriff Sickler and County Commissioner Roberts both spoke on the issue to encourage the Council to sign the Resolution. Both Resolutions need to be signed, so that we are prepared no matter which other Cities get on board.

After hearing their presentations and asking questions, Councilor Lowe motioned that Resolution 6-R-19 be approved as presented. Councilor Wilson seconded. All present in favor; **MOTION PASSED.**

Councilor Palmer motioned that Resolution 7-R-19 be approved as presented. Councilor Hinkley seconded. All present in favor; **MOTION PASSED.**

9) Ordinances

10) Consent Agenda:

10.1 Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes for October 28, 2019

Councilor Palmer Motioned that the Minutes for October 28, 2019 be approved. Councilor Wilson seconded. All present in favor; **MOTION PASSED.**

11) Old Business

11.1 Authority for Mayor Newport to sign a letter of support for the Proclamation to Legalize the Takelma Salmon Ceremony at Ti'lomikh Falls – Steve Kiesling

Council unanimously gave assent for Mayor to sign letter of support.

11.2 AB – 039 Authority for City Manager to Enter into a Modified Contract with the Jackson County Sheriff to add ten (10) weekly hours of Community Service Officer services.

Council agreed a work session was needed to discuss this issue, and tabled it for later.

Also at this time, Council set a work session and Special Council Meeting for November 6, 2019, to discuss the now vacant City Manager position.

12) New Business

12.1 AB – 040 Request to Approve an Application for Temporary (Liquor) License for the Re-Opening of Figaro's Pizza

Councilor Wilson made a Motion to Approve Figaro's Application. Councilor Palmer seconded. All present in favor; **MOTION PASSED.**

12.2 AB – 041 Authority for City Manager to add Municipal Court module to the Vision MS Software Licensing Agreement.

Councilor Hinkley Motioned to give the Authority for the City Manager, or his Representative, to add the Municipal Court Module to the Agreement. Councilor Palmer seconded. All present in favor; **MOTION PASSED.**

12.3 AB – 042 Authority for City Manager to enter into a contract with Freshwater Trust for Lampman Park Improvements.

Tabled until November 18, 2019 Council Meeting.

12.3 Report regarding the Contractual Item Discussed at the Executive Session – Hunter Communication Franchise Agreement


City Manager Staven explained the Franchise Agreement to the Council. Tabled to the November 6, 2019, Council Meeting.

Mayor Newport adjourned the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Minutes Approved by: _____


Pete Newport, Mayor

Attested by: _____


Jessica Simpson, City Recorder