

Regular Council Meeting

September 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Arlington City Council was held on September 5, 2018 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Present were Councilors: Leslie Walborn, Denise Ball, Robert Christensen, Marshall Swope, Mayor Jeffery Bufton, Attorney Ruben Cleaveland, Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm and Recorder Pam Rosenbalm. Absent Councilors: Diane Wetherell and Susan Jones. Guests include: Mark & Mary Mitchell, Marta Mikkalo, Joe Claughton, Rita Miciak, Julius Courtney, Lori Tilton, John Church, Leslie Wetherell, Tom Hoskot, Tony Price and Peter Mitchell. Mayor Bufton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT: Marta Mikkalo was present and thanked the Council for the donation to the **Gilliam County Fair**. Mark Mitchell informed the Council the **Methodist Church Auction** will be September 22, 2018, at Alkali Park. Mark asked for garbage cans, and to please make sure the sprinklers are off. Mary Mitchell informed the Council the **Library is looking to remodel** a room with new cupboards which will help organize. Mayor Bufton asked if this was in the Library's budget. Mary stated this is something they have been planning, and will pay for it; she just wanted to inform the Council as it is the city's building. Tom Hoskot stated Columbia River Blues will be having their **annual golf tournament** at the golf course next week, and reported the golf course looks good.

COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE: Marta Mikkalo reported; October 11, 2018 will be the day for the Candidates Night at the Gronquist Building at 6:00 p.m., also trunk or treat will be on Halloween again this year.

CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda consisted of the following items: **a.** Approval of minutes-August 8, 2018. **b.** Approval of bills as listed. Councilor Walborn motioned to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Ball.

FIRE MEETING UPDATE: Joe Claughton Fire Chief was present and stated they have discussed on the west side of town to blade a road so the fire trucks can get through. Adjacent property owners, Dick Krebs and Blake Phillipi are in agreement with this. Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm stated he can spray periodically so it doesn't become full of weeds. Joe also stated cows do like plowed dirt, so there will be dust when the wind blows. However, the toss up of dust and or fire protection, clearly fire protection is more important. Joe stated this will be the best fire protection at this time, and Dewey Kennedy will do the road work.

COUNCILORS REPORT:

- Councilor Jones was absent.
- Councilor Swope reported the flex building at the airport looks good.
- Councilor Christensen reported; Jim Wright, Councilor's Walborn and Ball along with himself met with the man regarding installing cameras. He will be putting together options of where to place cameras on the exits, coming in and out of town. Councilor Christensen also reported; he had been informed that the area from the bank to city hall, is a rough surface, and is hard to use in an electric wheel chair.
- Councilor Ball reported the sanitation department is running fine.
- Councilor Walborn stated the water department is good, and sewer project is moving along.
- Councilor Wetherell was absent.
- Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm stated he has ordered parts for the sewer project, and Engineer Brad Baird is still working on hiring a Contractor, so when the parts arrive, everything will be laid out ready for the Contractor to go to work.

In other business, Mayor Bufton stated the Council Chambers has been over booked; it was Consensus the sidewalk meeting will be changed to the Port office, Monday, September 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was closed at 6:54 p.m. Executive session was called per ORS 192.660 (2) (e) at 6:55 p.m. Executive session closed at 8:00 p.m. Regular session reopened at 8:00 p.m. and closed at 8:01 p.m.

Jeffery Bufton, Mayor

Pam Rosenbalm, Recorder

