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AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AND AUMSVILLE BUDGET COMMITTEE JANUARY 25, 2016 JOINT MEETING MINUTES

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM in the community center, 555 Main Street, Aumsville, Oregon. Council present were Mayor Harold White, Councilors (ACC) Robert Baugh, Jr. Brian Czarnik, Della Seney, Lorie Walters; and Budget Committee (ABC) Members Dolly Bullington, Amy Evans, Ray Mandyck, and Joel Mathias. Council absent was Councilor Nico Casarez; and Budget Committee Members absent were Laura Bridges, Andrew Dershon, and John J. Hortsch. City Administrator Maryann Hills was also present.

PRESENTATIONS: Water System Funding Scenarios
Ed Tabor, Business Oregon Finance Officer - Infrastructure Finance Authority (IFA) handed out a One-Stop Project summary and it was reviewed and discussed. City Administrator Hills explained the project description to include replacement of the Million Gallon Reservoir interior coating, as discussed at the last budget committee meeting; as well as three other top Water Master Plan and Visioning Plan priorities to: install a water pump station emergency generator, install a 10-inch water line loop, and phase 2 of the Water Tower Repairs goal to repaint the exterior of the water tower. Discussion followed on these being Priority A-3, Priority A's and the Priority B Water Master Plan water line looping.

Water Rates discussion followed, along with the 20-year IFA vs the 40-year US Dept. of Agriculture loan scenarios. They considered this initial funding for these priority projects and the need for future Water Master Plan projects funding. There was discussion of the loan funding timing, along with the current water system loan balance, interest rate, and putting an escalated payment plan in place for a 2021 payoff.

After discussion and a poll of the ACC and ABC, the consensus was to proceed with a 20-year loan with IFA. Discussion of the money being budgeted as of July 1 to go forward with the projects followed. ABC Member Mandyk said there are times when you just have to bite the bullet. City Administrator Hills acknowledged the difficulty of instituting a water increase, but possibly it can be phased in. It was also noted that not all of the money will be taken at once. Mr. Tabor said that they like to see the money go out within three years.

Council recessed at 8:18 PM and ABC, except for Member Mathias, left at the recess; Council reconvened at 8:27 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS:
City Administrator Hills noted the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Committee Roster and Budget Calendar, and it was considered.

The Yard Debris Survey results to date were discussed. The survey is ongoing until February. Clerk Rogers will compile the information and get a report to council, with a recommendation for the council's consideration. Based on the surveys received to date, it seems most likely that Republic needs to come up with their own survey that includes a price for yard-debris service and find out how many people want to sign up. That would give the people that don't want the service a chance to opt out. Councilor Czarnik said that Republic needs to be asked how many residents it will take to provide the service. It was further discussed and asking Republic see if they can get more people to respond; otherwise the "opt out" and a set price for the service needs to be communicated.

The Citizen Request for Current Water Bill Reduction was considered; consensus was to adjust to regular usage rate for the month in question.

Council considered A RESOLUTION HONORING MARINE CORPS LANCE CORPORAL TY HART AND ELEVEN OTHER MARINES FOR THEIR SACRIFICE, AND AUTHORIZING FLAGS TO BE LOWERED TO HALF MAST. Council discussed the memorial service on Saturday, January 30th. Councilor Czarnik made a motion to approve the resolution. Voting aye were Councilors Baugh, Czarnik, Seney, Walters and Mayor White. The motion passed unanimously. The length of time for the lowering of the flag was discussed. Councilor Czarnik commented on the requirement that the POW flag be flown on a day to day basis. He explained that if the city has the ability to fly it, it is the law to fly the POW flag with the US and state flags.

Councilor Walters shared a complaint she received about a resident that is parking in front of his neighbor's driveway. She explained the situation and asked if anything can be done. Mayor White said that if it is a clear vision issue, they need to request Aumsville Police Department (APD) investigation of the parking and trespassing violation. City Administrator Hills will give the information to the APD for follow-up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY COUNCILOR SENEY & WALTERS

ADJOURNMENT: 8:57 PM without objection.

Harold L. White

Harold L. White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maryann N. Hills

Maryann N. Hills, City Administrator