

City Council Meeting Minutes

14 S 3rd Street Nyssa, OR 97913

06/14/22 - 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Betty Holcomb, Councilors: Patricia Esplin, Ron Edmondson, Roberto Escobedo, Absent: Council President Morganne DeLeon, Councilors Krissy Walker, and Pat Oliver. Staff: Police Chief Donnie Ballou, City Manager Jim Maret, City Recorder Marla Roberts, City Attorney Mike Horton, City Engineer Doug Argo.

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm

Councilor Escobedo made a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilor Esplin seconded the motion. Four Ayes.

Absent:

Esplin made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items A-C in one motion. Escobedo seconded the motion. Four ayes. Absent: Pat Oliver, Krissy Walker, and Morganne DeLeon.

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting May 10, 2022.
- B. Staff and Committee Monthly Reports May 2022.
- C. Correspondence and information FYI

Edmondson made a motion to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of \$91,935.81 and Current Payroll \$47,777.96. Councilor Esplin seconded the motion. Four ayes. Absent: Pat Oliver, Krissy Walker, and Morganne DeLeon.

Public Comment Period (30 Minutes Maximum)

Jason Pearson (Nyssa Chamber of Commerce) asked the Council if they could use the Park again this year for Thunderegg Days which will be July 7th, 8th, and 9th. He asked Jim and Betty to speak at the opening ceremonies. For the lawn mower races, they would like to be able to close the section in front of the church on south 5th street. Lawn Mower Races will be on Saturday at 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. He would like to thank them for the meeting they had and look forward to the next one on the 27th. Mayor Holcomb said they will give him a decision during the meeting tonight.

Ashley Clinton – she works at M&W and lives on N 6th Street and Ehrgood Ave. she is concerned about no stop signs on that street, it is dangerous, and there have been accidents because of the lack of stop signs.

Jerry Holmes – He appreciates the city paving Locust Ave. and putting signs up. There have been cars drag racing down that street a couple of days ago. It needs to be patrolled more often.

Department Reports:

ODOT information for round-about at Cairo Junction. Shawn Maloney design project manager for ODOT and Kevin Haas is the State Traffic Standards Engineer. They have studied this for 7 years; he is not saying they will not be any accidents with the round-about he is saying this will reduce fatal injury crashes. Gave video presentation on round-about on State Highway, you can also view the intended traffic round-about on Youtube, go to Oregon DOT you tube Cairo junction. [Cairo Junction Roundabout Animation - YouTube](#)

Waldo's Insurance review – Dellas Waldo gave information on renewal coverage for the City of Nyssa through CIS and the increase we will see is in liability. Overall, the premium increase is up 14%. Cyber security is essential in this day and time. Mayor Holcomb asked about the cost. He will get a quote for us.

City Engineer Report - Doug Argo We are in the final running for the Parks grant and will be preparing for an online presentation before the grant decision makers from Salem on the 12th of July. Tomorrow, we open the bids for the water line going to the reload facility.

They have had discussions with Duane about the storm drains, they are outdated, and have considered installing something called Permeable Pavers to fix the system but need the funding to complete. The small cities allotment grant which ODOT has increased in the amount of \$250,000 for which we can apply.

Jim presented a plaque of appreciation to Duane Petty for 30 years of service with the City of Nyssa.

Council agreed to allow the Nyssa Chamber to have TED in the South Park.

Stop sign on N 6th Street and Ehrgood Ave. the police department will need to have a traffic study done to see if there is a need for the signs.

Police Report and Police Business – Police Chief Donnie Ballou – increase in training available since covid all with free training. Ontario has opened a multi-agency training facility for all the adjoining agencies to work together. Sgt. Armenta has attended supervisor training and certifications. Meetings for neighborhood watch members both in the City and County with our help as a facilitator help with the program, in order for it to be successful it needs to be a partnership.

Old Business:

- **Ordinance 670-22 City of Nyssa Development Code relating to minimum Lot Sizes.** The third reading was read by title only read by Mike Horton. Councilor Esplin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 670-22. Councilor Edmondson seconded the motion. Marla will notify the State, County, and Sterling Codifiers of the change.

New Business:

- **Resolution 1431-22 election to receive state revenue sharing.** Councilor Edmondson made a motion to adopt Resolution 1431-22. Councilor Escobedo seconded the motion. Four ayes. Absent: Council President Morganne DeLeon, Krissy Walker and Pat Oliver
- **Resolution 1432-22 retainer agreement with Five Rivers Law, P.C.** Mayor Holcomb made a motion to adopt resolution 1432-22. Seconded by Councilor Esplin. Absent: Council President Morganne DeLeon, Councilors Krissy Walker and Pat Oliver.
- **Resolution 1433-22 authorizing the mayor to sign an agreement with T-Mobile for a tablet plan for City Council.** Councilor Escobedo motion 1433-22 motion to adopt Resolution 1433-22 seconded by Councilor Esplin. Absent: Council President Morganne DeLeon, councilors Krissy Walker and Pat Oliver.
- **Resolution 1434-22 Adopting the Budget and making the appropriations.** Councilor Escobedo made the motion to approve Resolution 1434-22. Councilor Edmondson seconded the motion. Four ayes. Absent: Krissy Walker, Pat Oliver, and Council President Morganne DeLeon.
- **Resolution 1435-22 Approving increases and decreases to the FY 2021-2022 budget and making appropriations.** Mayor Holcomb made a motion to adopt Resolution 1435-22 Councilor Esplin seconded the motion. Four ayes. Absent: Krissy Walker, Pat Oliver, and Council President Morganne DeLeon.

LOC Bulletin – FYI

Manager Report – Information is given to Council – The truck jake brakes signs are up. Reload is still going forward. Fire Hall repainted last week, thanks to the Haun family for helping with the paint. Successful open house at the fire hall, appreciates the support from the community and significant effort by all.

Comments from Council – discussion on a stop sign on third street.

Mike Horton thanked the council for renewing the contract it is their 75th year in Nyssa. By July 1st plan on being back up to six attorneys

Adjourned at 8:29

Agenda posted on 06/10/22 at Nyssa Co-op, M&W Market, Chevron, Nyssa Senior Center, Nyssa Library, Nyssa Post Office “*City of Nyssa is an equal opportunity provider, employer.*” program.intake@usda.gov”