City of Paisley Minutes of March 15, 2022 Public Hearing & Regular Council Meeting

- 1.0 <u>Call To Order/ Pledge of Allegiance</u> The Regular Council meeting of the City of Paisley was held on March 15, 2022 at Paisley City Hall. Mayor Craig DeLarm called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm. Council Members in attendance were Ruth Robinson, Krissy Funk and Toni Bailie. Others in attendance: Darryl Anderson, Dennis O'Leary, Joan Riha, Lavonna Temple, Stu Burgess, Lora Mayea, Sienna Cooper, Cheyenne Leehman, Faith Brummer, Molly Robinson, Madison Garner, Evan Bunnell, Anthony Cardoza and Melissa Walton, recording minutes.
- 2.0 <u>Agenda</u> Additions: None, Deletions: None
- 3.0 **Public Hearing** Darryl Anderson, with Anderson Engineering, was on hand to discussing the funding opportunity that he has been working on with Business Oregon for the water infrastructure for Paisley. He is working to set up a "one stop" meeting with everybody. He had talked with the County and they stated they were setting aside \$500,000 for Paisley from their ARPA funds. The loan through Business Oregon would have a 49% forgiveness rate. There is a 1.5% interest rate, maybe it could be reduced to 1%. In the Water Master Plan, Anderson figured \$3.5 million for the project. It would include a new well with hopefully less if not any arsenic, replacing the pipe system and buying a new backup generator. With the money from the County and the forgiveness of 49% of the loan, he figures the City is looking at \$1.5 million loan; roughly \$20 a month per user increase. There was discussion of the impact that would have on fixed income households but it was agreed the necessity of good, clean water is a priority. Paisley is way under the state's affordable rate limit for the base utility price, which is in the high forties. It was suggested staggering the rate hike and improving a little at a time. Also suggested implementing an income survey. This will need to be conducted by an business/university that gets accredited results. Krissy Funk moved, Toni Bailie 2nd, to approve Anderson Engineering submitting the application to Business Oregon, MCU.

4.0 <u>Business</u>

- 4.1 <u>ARPA Funds, Backup Generator</u> Finetti Electric will be coming out next week.
- **4.2** <u>Fire Hall/Equipment Shop Heat</u> Craig talked to the Fire Department and they want to wait on this.
- 4.3 John Merwin/Dennis O'Leary; Shed, Addition to House, Moving Old Buildings Mr. O'Leary plans to move the old shed and garage to his property on the north end of town. He will be in contact with Travis before he does. He presented a plot map showing an addition built on the east side of the house, measuring 15x48. This will be a room and carport. Also included was a 26x36 garage on the south side of the property, set 20' behind the house and 72' from rear of property. He would like to start building around the end of April. Krissy Funk moved, Ruth Robinson 2nd, to approve the permits for the addition and the garage, MCU.

4.4 <u>February 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes</u> Krissy Funk moved, Toni Bailie 2nd, to approve the February 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes, MCU.

5.0 <u>Reports / Correspondence</u>

5.1 <u>Travis Way, Public Works Superintendent</u> None

5.2 <u>Mayor's Review</u> Friday the Fire Department is going to see if there is a vapor lock in the hydrant located on John Street.

Craig discussed the "If I Was the Mayor" speech contest with Mr. Burgess and his class. They will give their speeches during the April 5 meeting, results to be submitted to the state by April 8.

March 9th a virtual meeting was held with ODOT concerning the speed zones in town. Contingent upon approval from the state and then Council, the speeds transitioning into town on the north and the south ends will remain basically the same. They may look at moving a warning sign for the speed reduction further out on the north end. The speed within town will be reduced to 25 mph. The school zone will be shortened on the south end, giving them a clear field for a flashing solar powered light by the eastern edge of the fence at the track field. There is a line of sight issue where Blue Street meets Highway 31. The trees needing trimmed are on private property so the owners will need to be approached for permission. The Safe Routes to School Program is still accessible. They state that driver feedback signs, the signs that flash your current speed, are a last option for slowing traffic.

After a discussion with the County Road Department, it was determined that Mill Steet east of Highway 31, past the intersection with Chewaucan, stopping at and then turning right on Green Street back to Highway 31, is the property of the City not the County. There will be stop signs installed shortly at the intersection of Chewaucan and Mill.

There is a deputy wanting to move to Paisley but the school is currently experiencing a housing shortage; they are willing to put them into housing as soon as one opens up. The Sheriff's Office wants to remind everyone that if there is a problem in town to call 911 so the issue is logged into the system.

5.3 **Public Appearances** None

6.0 <u>Executive Session</u> None

7.0 <u>Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 2:43 pm.</u>

<u>Next Meeting</u>: The next Regular Meeting will be April 5, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at Paisley City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Walton Recorder / Treasurer

Approval

Craig DeLarm Mayor

Date

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