

SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 2018

Mayor Mahler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Sweet Home Police Department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Staff Present: City Manager Ray Towry, Library Services Director Rose Peda, Finance Director Brandon Neish, City Attorney Robert Snyder, Community and Economic Development Director Jerry Sorte, Public Works Director Greg Springman and Police Chief Jeff Lynn.

Visitors Registered to Speak: Bonnie Neal, Matt Jordon

Media: Sean Morgan, The New Era
Alex Paul, Albany Democrat Herald

Roll Call:	Councilor Briana	P	Councilor Gourley	P
	Councilor Coleman	P	Mayor Mahler	P
	Councilor Gerson	P	Councilor Trask	P
	Councilor Goble	AB		

Motion to excuse Councilor Goble (Trask/Gourley) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Goble)

Consent Agenda: Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. (Gerson/Briana) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed, 1 Absent (Goble)

Items on the consent agenda are as follows:
Approval of Minutes: September 11, 2018 – Regular Meeting

Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of Petition:

Bonnie Neal
PO Box 466
Sweet Home, OR 97386

Bonnie Neal addressed the Council regarding travel to the Capitol Christmas Tree Event stating all of the Councilors could attend the meeting as long as they did not meet together

Matt Jordan
40475 Hwy 228
Sweet Home, OR 97386

No Drought owner Matt Jordan requested Council review the Bulk Water Rates. Mayor Mahler referred Mr. Jordan to Finance Director Neish and City Manager Towry.

Old Business:

Water Quality Presentation – Linn County Health District

Rick Partipilo with Linn County addressed the Council on the former Weyerhaeuser Mill site and gave updates on the County's clean up efforts including costs and next steps.

Facility Dude – Date Demonstration
Patricia Rice, Engineer Tech
City of Sweet Home

Trish Rice, Engineer Technician for Sweet Home Public Works presented a demonstration to the Council of the new Facility Dude program that includes a citizens portal for the public to

report items such as potholes, damaged street signs, water main breaks and Code Enforcement issues.

Lynda.com Demonstration – LSD
Rose Pead and Intern Danielle Herb

Danielle Herb, Intern for the Sweet Home Public Library, gave a presentation to the Council on Lynda.com, a free online training resources now available to City of Sweet Home library patrons.

Code Enforcement Presentation –
Tommy Mull, CEO

Code Enforcement Officer Tommy Mull gave a presentation to the Council on current Code Enforcement efforts and progress that has been made.
Councilor Trask suggested a return to the task of a Livability Code for the City of Sweet Home.

New Business:

Request for Council Action –
Reappointment to the Library
Advisory Board – Eva Journey

Motion to reappoint Eva Journey to the Library Advisory Board with a term to expire June 30, 2022. (Briana/Trask). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Goble).

Request for Council Action – IGA
Linn County Transient Lodging Tax

Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Linn County and collect their Transient Lodging Tax in return for 5% of the amount the City collects on Linn County's behalf. (Trask/Coleman). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Goble).

**Introduction, First and Second
Reading of Ordinance Bills:**

Introduction: None

First Reading: None

Second Reading: None

**Third and Final Reading of
Ordinance Bills:** None

Resolutions: None

Committee Reports:

Administration & Finance/
Property Committee No Report

Public/Traffic Safety No Report

Public Works No Report

City Boards/Committees:

Chamber of Commerce No Report

Fire District Councilor Trask reported Mr. Emmert passed away, his service will be held Friday at the Community Chapel.

	Councilor Trask thanked the taxpayers for the new medic unit.
Park & Tree Commission	Councilor Trask reported Ashbrook Park has had a lot of improvements and encouraged everyone to go by there.
Y.A.C.	Councilor Gourley reported Zombie Zoup planning is in progress.
Ad Hoc Committee Community Healthcare	No Report
Capitol Christmas Tree	Councilor Coleman reported the next meeting is Tuesday at 10am at the Chamber.

Regional Boards/Committees:

Area Commission on Transportation (ACT)	No Report
COG	Councilor Gerson provided the Council with a written report.
Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC)	No Report

Mayor's Report
Mayor Mahler reported he would be out of town Thursday thru Sunday, Pro-Tem Trask will be available.

City Manager's Report
City Manager Towry reported the Personnel Policy will be revised as time permits. The City Hall Bid Process closes tomorrow. A motivational clip from motivational speaker and Linfield Basketball Coach, Jon Willis was presented.

Department Directors Reports:

Finance Director
Finance Director Neish announced hardcopies of the Adopted Budget are available at City Hall. The RFP for IT Services has been extended until October 5th. New payment options are available at City Hall. The number of customers turned-off for non-payment has decreased from 85 to 48. FD Neish presented Revenue vs. Expense Graphs for July and August.

Library Director
Library Services Director Peda announced a Traveling Lantern Show on October 18th at 4pm.

Community and Economic
Development Director
CEDD Jerry Sorte announced the Harvest Festival on October 6th from 10am until 2pm at Sankey Park. Two CEIP (City Economic Improvement Program) Grants have been approved. CEDD Sorte announced a fair number of single-family units coming into Sweet Home's Planning and Building Department.

Police Chief
No Report

Public Works

No Report

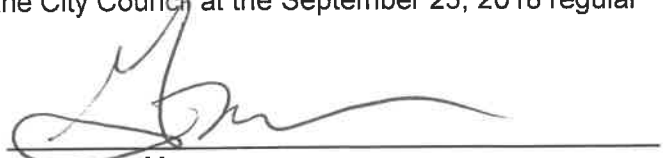
City Attorney

None

Adjournment:

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council at the September 25, 2018 regular City Council Meeting.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder