# SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2019

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, City Attorney Robert Snyder, Public Works Director Greg Springman, Police Chief Jeff Lynn, Library Services Director Rose Peda, Community and Economic Development Director Interim Joe Graybill and Recording Secretary Julie Fisher.

Visitors Registered to Speak: Sarah Hewitt, Youth Advisory Council, Sweet Home Active Revitalization Effort (SHARE) Committee

Media: Sean Morgan, The New Era

Roll Call: Councilor Coleman AB Mayor Mahler F

Councilor Gerson P Councilor Nash P
Councilor Goble P Councilor Trask P

Councilor Gourley P

Motion to excuse Councilor Coleman (Gerson/Goble) motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Consent Agenda: Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as

submitted (Gerson/Goble). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0

Opposed, 1 Absent (Coleman).

Items on the consent agenda are as follows:

Approval of Minutes: April 4, 2019 Special Meeting

April 9, 2019 City Council

## Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of Petition:

Sarah Hewitt

Youth Advisory Council

Sarah Hewitt, a representative of the Youth Advisory Council reported that the YAC will be presenting a report at the next City Council meeting. The YAC is planning their Leadership Summit.

Sweet Home Active Revitalization

Effort (SHARE)

JoAnn McQueary George Medellin Bill Matthews Scott Swanson Ron Moore

Brad of foundrycollective.org

Representatives from SHARE presented to the Council the history of SHARE, successes in Community and Economic Development and Community Vitality and current project and goals. SHARE presented a Foundry Concept for small business start up and suggested the old City Hall as a temporary location.

Consensus of the Council was to move forward with future discussion on utilizing the old City Hall building as a location for a Foundry or small business start up opportunity.

#### Old Business:

#### **New Business:**

Proclamation – Mental Health Month

Mayor Mahler read the 2019 Mental Health Month Proclamation.

Request for Council Action- WWTP Plant Project

There was a brief summary by PWD Springman and Preston Van Meter of Murraysmith, on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project which began in February 2018. If approved, the final design will be presented in June.

Motion to approve Murraysmith's 20% Schematic Design for the WWTP Improvement Project and Authorize Murraysmith to develop a scope of work for the final design and construction management services (Gourley/Gerson).

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Nash Aye
Councilor Trask Aye
Councilor Coleman Absent
Councilor Gerson Aye
Councilor Goble Aye
Councilor Gourley Aye
Mayor Mahler Aye

Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Request for Council Action – Appointment to the Budget Committee – Briana City Manager Towry introduced the Request for Appointment to the Budget Committee. Mr. Briana was interviewed by the Administration, Finance and Property Committee on April 11<sup>th</sup> and their recommendation was to appoint Mr. Briana to a threeyear term.

Motion to appoint Robert Briana to the Sweet Home Budget Committee for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2021 (Gourley/Goble) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Request for Council Action – Appointment to the Charter Review Committee City Manager Towry introduced the Request for Appointment to the Charter Review Committee. Mr. Briana was interviewed by the Administration, Finance and Property Committee on April 11<sup>th</sup> and their recommendation was to appoint Mr. Briana to the Charter Review Committee.

Motion to appoint Robert Briana to the Sweet Home Charter Review Committee (Gourley/Goble) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Request for Council Action – Appointment to the Planning Commission City Manager Towry introduced the Request for Appointment to the Planning Commission. Jeffrey Parker was interviewed by the Administration, Finance and Property Committee on April 11<sup>th</sup> and their recommendation was to appoint Mr. Parker to a fouryear term.

Motion to appoint Jeffrey Parker to the Sweet Home Planning Commission for a four-year term to expire December 31, 2022 (Gerson/Trask). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Request for Council Action – Library Needs Assessment

Library Services Director Peda introduced the Request for a Library Needs Assessment and conceptual drawings. The Request for Proposal process only yielded one proposal from a qualified architect – FFA Architecture & Interiors in the amount of \$49,875. The Friends of the Library have committed \$5,000 towards a Ford Family Grant for an additional \$5,000.

Motion to authorize the City of Sweet Home to enter into a contract with FFA Architecture and Interiors for \$49,875 to provide a needs assessment, community forums, and conceptual drawings for their proposal. (Goble/Gerson).

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Nash
Councilor Trask
Councilor Coleman
Councilor Gerson
Councilor Goble
Councilor Gourley
Mayor Mahler
Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye

Motion passed with 6 Ayes and 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Request for Council Action – Approval for Fiber Optic Installation The Request for Approval for Fiber Optic Installation was removed from the Agenda.

Request for Council Action Resolution No. 9 for 2019 Non-Represented Salary Schedule

City Manager Towry introduced the Request to approve a Resolution authorizing salary increases for non-represented employees for positions found not to be in line with market comparables.

There was discussion on policy to determine comparables by population and region.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 9 for 2019 – A Resolution Establishing Salary Schedules for Non-Represented Employees (Trask/Goble).

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Trask Aye
Councilor Coleman Absent
Councilor Gerson Aye
Councilor Goble Aye
Councilor Gourley No
Mayor Mahler Aye
Councilor Nash Aye

Request for Council Action – Adoption of City of Sweet Home Mission Statement, Vision Statement and Council Goals City Manager Towry reviewed updates to the Council Goals as identified by the Council during the City Council Training held March 21-23, 2019. The goals were also brought to Council for Public Comment on April 9th and April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 10 for 2019 – A Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2019 – 2020 City Council Goals (Gerson/Goble). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman).

Request for Council Action and First Reading of Ordinance Bills:

None

Second Reading:

Ordinance Bill No. 1 for 2019 – Ordinance Bill No. \_\_\_\_ - Sweet Home Ordinance Pertaining to Dissolution of Public Safety and Traffic Committee.

City Attorney Robert Snyder read by title only Ordinance No. 1 for 2019 – Ordinance Bill No. \_\_\_\_ - Sweet Home Ordinance Pertaining to Dissolution of Public Safety and Traffic Committee.

Motion to move Ordinance No. 1 for 2019 – Ordinance No. \_\_ to third and final reading on May 14 2019 (Goble/Trask) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman).

Third and Final Reading of Ordinance Bills:

None

Mayor's Report

No Report

City Manager's Report

City Manager Towry reported interviews for the Community and Economic Development Director will be held on Friday, April 26th.

City Manager Towry reported working in collaboration on Economic Development with eight cities in Linn and Benton counties.

City Manager Towry reported Councilor Trask, Councilor Coleman, PWD Springman and Preston Van Meter with Murraysmith, spoke at the Capitol regarding HB5030 hoping to secure 12M in funding toward the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project.

**Department Directors Reports:** 

Mayor Mahler asked if there were any questions of staff. There

were none.

Committee Reports:

Administration & Finance/
Property Committee

No Report

### City Boards/Committees:

Chamber of Commerce

No Report

Park & Tree Commission

Councilor Trask reported the Arbor Day Tree Planting at Sankey

Park on April 24, 2019.

Y.A.C.

Councilor Gourley stated she is waiting for the YAC bylaws to

come before Council.

Ad Hoc Committee Community Healthcare Councilor Gourley reported the Community Health Committee

meetings were not included in the packet.

## Regional Boards/Committees:

Area Commission on Transportation No Report

(ACT)

Council of Governments (COG)

No Report

Solid Waste

Advisory Council

No Report

(SWAC)

Council Business for Good of the

Order:

None

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council at the April 23, 2019 regular City

Council Meeting.

ATTEST:

City Manager - Ex Officio City Recorder