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MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026, 7:00 PM

1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Hall at 7pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Dustan Hall, Councilor Jan Stinchfield, Councilor Eli Caudill, Councilor Mike Durfey, Councilor Hanna Bass, Councilor Jeremy Kirby (Zoom)

Staff: Interim City Recorder Jessica Isley, Public Works Superintendent and Interim City Administrator Gibb Wilkins

Guests: Jill Frazee, Robyn Johnson

Zoom: The Times Journal, Guest

Absent: Councilor Tom Fatland

3. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

4.1. The council may hear discussion of unannounced items from the floor and comments on the agenda items. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Please state your full name and physical address before giving discussion or comment.

None.

4.2. Police & Fire - Gilliam County Sheriff Gary Bettencourt

Lieutenant Rick Brown gave the Sheriff's report. 17 criminal cases from January 31st to today. 9 of those ended in arrests, which is over 50%.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1. Review and approve Febuary 4th 2026 Condon City Council Minutes

Councilor Bass made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 4, 2026. Councilor Stinchfield seconded the motion. All in favor: Councilor Bass, Councilor Stinchfield, Councilor Caudill, Councilor Kirby, Councilor Durfey. No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passes.

5.2. Review the February 2026 accounts payable and VISA statements

Question about LCOG. This is the Lane County of Governments, the recruiter for the administrator position. No other questions.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1. Update on Old Condon Grade School

There are no updates on the old Condon Grade School.

6.2. Update on Fairway Housing

Wilkins – collected information that could help. Tax credits, moderate income families, refer to housing committee meeting – lots of information. Looking at affordable houses at the golf course. Councilor Stinchfield asked if there was enough money in that grant to finish phase one? Wilkins – for the engineering but need to find money for the infrastructure. State funds have a

lot of restrictions. Todd Lake, Gilliam County Transportation Director, spoke with Wilkins about senior housing from Age+. This information has been added to the packet. Age+ is looking for land to build senior housing and a main senior building.

6.3. Update on Condon Community Swimming Pool

Wilkins – reached out to Fossil and doesn't think his board will help fund the new pool. Condon School District will give the city the old pool but no other property. Might be able to get a new pool for a lot less. Fix the drain line under the pool. \$35k is the cheapest way to do this without digging up the pool. Needs to be done by the 1st of June. Councilor Stinchfield asked if that is where the leak is. Wilkins – divers inspected all the stuff inside the pool and the only place that the leak could be is in the drain. Councilor Caudill asked if there were other outfits that do this kind of work. Wilkins – this outfit is out of Seattle and then there is only one or 2 other ones that do this. We lose 200k gallons a month and the pool is only 100k gallons. Councilor Caudill asked what the water and electricity costs on the pool? How much is the propane per month? How soon do we need to make a decision? How much money do we have to work on this? Wilkins — Might have to dip into a contingency fund. The county grant will need to cover operational costs through June. Councilor Kirby – how much water do we pump up the hill during the pool months? Wilkins – June 8 million gallons, July 9-10 million gallons, Aug 12 million gallons. Councilor Bass asked Wilkins if he thinks it needs to be fixed. Wilkins — it needs to be fixed, it's expensive. Councilor Bass states that the pool is important for the community. City staff will try and get some numbers/costs on water and heating. Councilor Stinchfield says she doesn't feel like she has enough information to spend that kind of money. A special meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 7pm.

6.4. Review and Approve 2026 City of Condon Goals

Staffing section was added. Matt Jaeger was hired as the golf course attendant for 2026 and Emmalee Smalling as the park attendant for 2026. Councilor Stinchfield moved to approve the 2026 City of Condon Goals & Priorities. Councilor Bass seconded the motion. All in favor: Councilor Stinchfield, Councilor Kirby, Councilor Caudill, Councilor Bass, Councilor Durfey. No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passes.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Upgrading City Hall Cybersecurity

Upgrading cybersecurity will increase our monthly IT cost from \$375 to \$650. Council agreed that this was a necessary cost to protect the city. Consensus to upgrade the city's cybersecurity.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1. Public Works – Public Works Superintendent Gibb Wilkins

Wilkins — 2.4 million gallons of water have pumped up the hill. Hopper broom has been received and has been working well. Aaron and Jake have been working on the golf course. Reels have been picked up from service. Jake will go to training on March 17–18 and Aaron will go in April. Parts list – Aaron does this but most people would go through an engineer. Driveway permits on the ODOT project with the Drive-In. Golf course clubhouse – new door that will allow access with a keypad or card key. Motorola price discussion. Councilor Durfey asked if there were cameras at the golf course. Motorola can add cameras. Wilkins – theft out of the payment box – 2 weeks in the fall was gone. Councilor Durfey asked if we had looked into key code doors and ring cameras inside of it? Dog poop in the clubhouse before. Councilor Kirby asked if we wanted doors or cameras? Wilkins – both. No internet at the clubhouse yet. The men's golf club has a proposal but that hasn't been sent in yet. Mayor Hall asked if we could look into a system with a pin code. Will continue exploring options. Commercial grade stuff equals higher prices.

8.2. Administration – Interim City Administrator Gibb Wilkins

Wilkins — Our April meeting will be 3 months into our interim roles, and we will have our evaluations. Board training videos, Jessica will send these out. South Gilliam Health District is going to be hosting a board training session on Monday, March 16. Councilor Caudill and Councilor Durfey should be able to go. March 19 – in the Dalles from 11 to 1 meet with the president of LOC, Mayor MacInnes. A final report from the recruiter and our consumer confidence report (CCR) are attached.

9. COUNCIL INFORMATION

9.1. LGPS City Administrator Executive Recruitment Final Report City of Condon

9.2. March 19th League of Oregon Cites Region 8 meeting -- The Dalles 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

9.3. South Gilliam County Health District is hosting Board training on March 16th, 2026 at 5:00 pm.

9.4. 2025 City of Condon Water System Consumer Confidence Report

10. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

10.1. April 1st, 2026 at City of Condon Council Chambers

11. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Hall at 7:49pm.

_____ Date _____
Dustan Hall, Mayor

ATTEST: _____ Date _____
Gibb Wilkins Interim City Administrator