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MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2026, 7:00 PM

1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Council: Mayor Dustan Hall, Councilor Jan Stinchfield, Councilor Hanna Bass, Councilor Eli Caudill, Councilor Tom Fatland, Councilor Jeremy Kirby

Absent: Councilor Michael Durfey

Staff: Interim City Administrator Gibb Wilkins, Interim City Recorder Jessica Isley

City Planner Jamie Crawford

City Attorney Wyatt Baum

Guests: Gary Bettencourt, Mike Cronk, Dawn Parm, Shellie Johnson, Kellie Hill, Jennifer Hall, Kim O'Connell, Anja Mundy, Jill Frazee, Robyn Misner, Jackie Hardie, Rene Durfey, James Spisla, Jessie Spisla, Steve Shaffer, Rhonda Shaffer, Oregon Frontier Chamber (Zoom) Michael Miller (Zoom), The Times Journal (Zoom), Sara Whatley (Zoom), Samsung SM – F711U (Zoom), Timothy's iPhone (Zoom)

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.

Jennifer Hall – 429 N Church St, Condon – Dissatisfied with the current city government structure. Complained about city staffers. Wanted two councilors to recuse themselves from a discussion on the future of the admin and recorder positions. Supported the mayor's desire to have an employee fired.

Brittany Dark – Oregon Frontier Chamber of Commerce – Apologized for leaving the City of Condon off of the July 4th poster's list of contributors.

4.2. Police & Fire – Gilliam County Sheriff Gary Bettencourt

RV ordinance. Having difficulty with people living in RVs inside city limits. Would like to talk to the city attorney and create an RV ordinance, asking for city approval to do this and make the language for the RV ordinance clearer. Consensus to do this from the council.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1. Review and Approve the June 3, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Councilor Bass to approve the June 3, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes. Councilor Stinchfield seconded. All in favor: Councilor Bass, Councilor Stinchfield, Councilor Kirby, Councilor Caudill, Councilor Fatland. Opposed: None. Abstain: None. Motion passes.

5.2. Review Accounts Payable and Visa Statements

No questions.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1. Housing Update

Wilkins – Had a housing meeting. City Planner Jamie Crawford spoke. About 6 months for housing study to be done. Some grants and funding may be available for the housing study. Wilkins will be speaking with the county as well about funding. Update on land usage and city ordinances. State law changes have our land usage and ordinances out of date. Updating will cost \$25-30k. The last update was in 2021. Kathryn (Greiner, for City Administrator), Kirk (Fatland, former City Planner) and Dan Meader (former City Planner) did a great job keeping us up to date, per current City Planner Crawford.

6.2. Discuss Water Rate Study

Wilkins – Are we charging enough for water service? State rule, water rates should be self-sufficient, no tax money should be used for it. There is a grant for a water study, but it opens in August, and the water rate study would need to be started in October. 3 years' worth of recommended water rates. Water reserve funds have been going down about \$10-15k per year for the last 3 years. Councilor Fatland – still move forward but look at raising the cost of water rates and possibly doing the rate study.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Discuss the future of the City Administrator and City Recorder positions.

Wilkins stated that he does not want to be a full-time admin. Councilors Fatland, Bass, Kirby, Stinchfield, and Caudill all expressed supporting Wilkins and Isley in their current roles as it seems to be working, and the jobs are getting done.

Councilor Stinchfield made the motion to offer Gibb Wilkins the city administrator/public works position and Jessica Isley the city recorder position. Councilor Fatland seconded. All in favor: Councilor Fatland, Councilor Stinchfield, Councilor Bass, Councilor Kirby, Councilor Caudill. Opposed: None. Abstain: None. Motion passes.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1. Public Works – Public Works Superintendent Gibb Wilkins

Wilkins - Small city allotment grant, \$250k to pave the street by the Texaco and the street behind two boys, should know by July 14th.

8.2. Administration – Interim City Administrator Gibb Wilkins

Wilkins — Looking for a councilor who might want to attend MCEDD meetings. Council made a consensus to donate a pool party to the July 4th raffle.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9.1. Executive Session — ORS 192.660 (2)(b) To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent who does not request an open hearing.

Entered into executive session at approximately 7:50pm.

Present: Mayor Hall, Councilor Caudill, Councilor Bass, Councilor Kirby, Councilor Stinchfield, Councilor Fatland, Interim Administrator Wilkins, Interim City Recorder Isley, City Attorney Baum (Zoom), The Times-Journal (Zoom).

Entered into open session at approximately 8:11pm.

A consensus of council agreed to have Wilkins and City Attorney Baum investigate the complaint.

10. COUNCIL INFORMATION

10.1. City Hall Closed Friday, July 3rd 2026 in observance of Independance Day

10.2. Candidate Filling Forms for November Election due 3:00pm August 17th 2026

10.3. One position on the Planning Commission remains vacant

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

11.1. 7:00 pm August 5th 2026

12. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Adjourned by Mayor Hall at 8:14PM.

Date _____
Janet Stinchfield, City Council President

ATTEST: _____ Date _____
Gibb Wilkins Interim City Administrator