

City of Prairie City  
Council Meeting  
June 13, 2018

1. **Attendance**

2. Mayor Jim Hamsher
3. Councilor Georgia Patterson
4. Councilor Carole Garrison
5. Councilor Dottie Miller
6. Councilor Joe Phippen
7. Councilor Frank Primozic
8. Councilor Les Chruch
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10. **Visitors**

11. Carlos Bortell
12. Ken Koser
13. Anna Bass, OPG
14. Sandy Murry
15. Mark Murray
16. Mike Springer
17. Taci Philbrook
18. Janine Goodwin
19. Judy Jacobs
20. Dan Becker
21. ML Wampler
22. Donna Becker
23. John Van Gundy
24. Zach Mobley
25. Chantal DesJardin
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27. Mayor Hamsher opened the regular council meeting at 6:00pm and roll call was taken.
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29. **Approval of Minutes**

30. The minutes of April 25, 2018 budget meeting (1) were considered. **MSP: To**
31. **approve the minutes of April 25, 2018 council meeting with corrections. Councilor**
32. **Garrison/Councilor Miller. All members present voted in favor.**
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34. The minutes of April 30, 2018 school public hearing were considered. **MSP: To approve**
35. **the minutes of April 30, 2018 school public hearing. Councilor Miller/Councilor**
36. **Phippen. All members present voted in favor. Mayor Hamsher sustained from voting.**
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38. The minutes of May 7, 2018 budget meeting (2) were considered. **MSP: To**
39. **approve the minutes of May 7, 2018 budget meeting with corrections. Councilor**
40. **Patterson/Councilor Church. All members present voted in favor. Councilor Garrison sustained**
41. **from voting.**
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43. The minutes of May 16, 2018 regular council meeting were considered. **MSP: To**
44. **approve the minutes of May 7, 2018 regular council meeting with corrections. Councilor**

45. **Patterson/Councilor Phippen. All members present voted in favor. Councilor Garrison sustained**  
46. **from voting.**

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48. **Visitors**

49. Mayor Hamsher recognized Jesse Madden's agenda request but Jesse was unable to come to the  
50. council meeting. Jesse is seeking approval for a liquor license for a new eatery on Front Street.

51. The Council discussed approving the Mayor to issue the license when Jesse comes back to the office  
52. to have it signed. **MSP: To approve Mayor Hamsher to sign Jesse Madden's liquor applications.**

53. **Councilor Patterson/Councilor Primozic. All members voted in favor.**

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55. Mayor Hamsher called on Undersheriff Zach Mobley to discuss the policing contract the City and the  
56. Sheriff's Office are working on together and to give an update. Councilor Patterson met with  
57. Undersheriff Mobley in May to discuss the contract. As of July 1, 2018, the policing contract between  
58. the City of John Day and the City of Prairie City will no longer be in effect. The Sheriff's Office has  
59. been taking calls on John Day's behalf for Prairie City and patrolling on weekends. After July 1, 2018  
60. the City of Prairie City will be on an emergency calls only status until a contract between the City of  
61. Prairie City and the Sheriffs Office can be agreed upon. Mobley stated to the council if an agreement  
62. can be met, he will present the contract to the County Court to be approved. Undersheriff Mobley  
63. requested if the council moves forward with the contract that the City put a notice in the water bills  
64. letting residents know that we have an agreement with the Sheriff's Office for law enforcement needs  
65. for the City of Prairie City.

66. **MSP: To move forward with the Sherriff's Office for a law enforcement contract with the City of**  
67. **Prairie City. Councilor Garrison/Councilor Phippen. All members voted in favor.**

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69. Mayor Hamsher called on Sandy Murry who was here to discuss the trees on Front Street. Sandy  
70. informed the council that two trees have been cut down. The trees in question were in front of Hotel  
71. Prairie on the East side of Front Street. Mayor Hamsher stated that he has done a lot of research, going  
72. back to the 1990s, and has been in touch with ODOT to identify who is responsible for the sidewalk to  
73. the store fronts. The Prairie City Planning Code states that the store owner is responsible for the  
74. sidewalk to store fronts, and Front Street is the responsibility of ODOT. A committee which includes  
75. Sandy Murry resigned their position of caring for Front Street in 2014 since that time Councilor  
76. Garrison and Councilor Primozic have taken on the volunteer work because nobody else volunteered  
77. to help care for Front Street planters and trees. Councilor Garrison had an Arborist look at the planters  
78. and trees on Front Street to make a care and maintenance plan. The Arborist told Councilor Garrison  
79. that some of the trees are out growing the planters and pulling the curb and concrete up causing a  
80. liability to the business owners and the City. Councilor Garrison said that she was approached by the  
81. hotel owners about the trees in front of their building. Mark Murry wanted to move forward and get a  
82. plan and policy set in place to take care of the trees and planters on Front Street. No decision has been  
83. made at this time.

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85. Mayor Hamsher called on Judy Jacobs who was on the agenda to update the council on the scrap metal  
86. clean up. Judy discussed having the scrap metal clean up during late summer or early fall. Chris from  
87. Public Works discussed having the location of the roll offs at Jim McKinley's property and possibly  
88. get some of Jim McKinley's scrap metal cleaned up in the process. Steve Ellson volunteered to pick up  
89. old scrap cars from resident's properties. Judy will update the council with dates, tire transportation,  
90. and locations after their Community meeting.

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92. **Fire Report**

93. Open burning and permit burning are prohibited at this time. Burn barrels are allowed between 6am-  
94. 10am and campfires in a pit are permitted.

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97. **Payables**

98. To ratify the payment of bills. **MSP: To pay the bills. Councilor Garrison/Councilor Patterson**

99. **All members present voted in favor.**

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101. **Ordinance/Resolution**

102. **Ordinance 2018-01: 2018-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, RESTATING, REPEALING, AND**

103. **SUPERSEDING ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ IN ITS ENTIRETY WHICH ORDINANCE CONCERNS PUBLIC**

104. **CONTRACTING RULES AND PROCEDURES IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY. (Second Reading)**

105. **MSP: To approve Ordinance 2018-01 an ordinance amending, restating, repealing, and**

106. **superseding ordinance No. \_\_\_\_ in its entirety which ordinance concerns public contracting**

107. **rules and procedures in the City of Prairie City. Councilor Garrison/Councilor Patterson.**

108. **Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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110. **Resolution 2018-08: A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET.**

111. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2018-08 to adopt fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. Councilor**

112. **Primozić/Councilor Phippen. Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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114. **Resolution 2018-09: A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET.**

115. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2018-09 to appropriate fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. Councilor**

116. **Patterson/ Councilor Primozić. Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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118. **Resolution 2018-10: A RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE AND CATEGORIZE TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018**

119. **2019 BUDGET.**

120. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2018-10 to impose and categorize taxes for fiscal year 2018-2019**

121. **budget. Councilor Primozić/ Councilor Patterson. Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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123. **Resolution 2018-11: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY, GRANT COUNTY, OREGON**

124. **APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE REVENUE SHARING PROGRAM.**

125. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2018-11 a Resolution of the City of Prairie City, Grant County,**

126. **Oregon approving participation in the state revenue sharing program. Councilor Patterson/**

127. **Councilor Primozić. Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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129. **Resolution 2018-12: A RESOLUTION EXTENDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO THE**

130. **VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET.**

131. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2018-12 a Resolution extending workers' compensation coverage**

132. **to the volunteers of the City of Prairie City for the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. Councilor**

133. **Primozić/ Councilor Miller. Yay (6) Nay (0).**

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135. **Other Business**

136. Utility Billing update: rescheduled to the next council meeting.

137. Mayor Hamsher moved on to address reservations at Depot Park. The City has been taking

138. reservations at the RV Park this year. This is the first year the City has taken reservations at the RV

139. Park. So far, the City has made \$1,500-\$1800 more a month than last year. The council will set a

140. workshop up to discuss this further. **MSP: To approve continuing accepting reservations until a**

141. **final decision and policy is set in place. Councilor Garrison/ Councilor Primozić. All members**

142. **voted in favor, except Councilor Patterson who abstained from voting.**

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144. Mayor Hamsher adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.

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Bobbie Brown, City Recorder

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155. Approved by the City Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018

156. and signed by the Mayor:

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Jim Hamsher, Mayor