

# City of Prairie City

## Council Meeting

June 12, 2019

### 1. Attendance

2. Mayor Jim Hamsher
3. Councilor Phippen
4. Councilor Georgia Patterson
5. Councilor Tisha Packard
6. Councilor Scott Officer
7. Councilor Chase McClung
8. Councilor Frank Primozić

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### 10. Visitors

11. Anna Bass, Solutions CPA
12. Mike Springer, Budget Chairman
13. Bob Shive, Museum Director
14. Dan Becker
15. Sandy Murry
16. Wanda Winegar
17. Marin Rynearson, Fire Chief
18. Carole Garrison
19. Katy Nelson
20. John Titus
21. Kristie Titus
22. Jill Wright
23. Frances Preston
24. Michelle Ray

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26. Mayor Hamsher opened the regular council meeting at 6:00pm and roll call was taken.

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### 28. Visitors:

29. Mayor Hamsher called on Jill Wright from the Prairie City School who is seeking approval to set up a  
30. vending cart for a cheerleader fundraiser during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to sell cotton candy. Jill would also like to  
31. ask for approval to close a portion of 10<sup>th</sup> street next to the school during the Fiber Fest at the end of  
32. July for a movie night. **MSP: To approve Jill Wright request to have a cotton candy vending cart on  
33. the blacktop for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and approval to close a portion of 10<sup>th</sup> street during the Fiber Fest  
34. for a movie night. Councilor Officer/Mayor Hamsher. All members voted in favor.**

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36. Mayor Hamsher called on Sandy Murry who is here to address the council about the Beautification and  
37. Revitalization Committee for the Front Street Planters. Sandy read aloud a presentation she prepared for  
38. the council. (Please see attached) The letter read aloud was related to the Front Street Planters and the  
39. work the committee has done to this date. Sandy ended the letter by thanking the council and resigning  
40. from the committee. Mayor Hamsher thanked Sandy for all the work she has volunteered over the years  
41. and thanked her for the time she has dedicated to keeping the planters beautiful.

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43. The minutes of May 1, 2019 budget meeting (1) were considered. **MSP: To**

44. **approve the minutes of May 1, 2019 budget meeting (1). Councilor Officer/Councilor**  
45. **Packard. All members present voted in favor.**

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47. The minutes of May 7, 2019 budget meeting (2) were considered. **MSP: To**

48. **approve the minutes of May 7, 2019 budget meeting (2). Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members present voted in favor.**

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51. The minutes of May 8, 2019 council meeting were considered. **MSP: To**

52. **approve the minutes of May 8, 2019 council meeting. Councilor Phippen/Councilor**

53. **Packard. All members present voted in favor.**

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55. **Museum:**

56. Mayor Hamsher called on Museum Director Bob Shive for his report. Bob reported to the council that  
57. the Museum has had 143 visitors since opening in May. The Museum purchased a T.V. for a picture slide  
58. show that will show pictures from the DeWitt family from the late 1800's and early 1900's. The  
59. Museum will be hosting a free day during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and a gold panning exhibit where  
60. kids and family can pan for real gold. Bob reported that he had a meeting with Bonneville Power in  
61. regards to a restoration project on the John Day Middle Fork they intend on funding. Bob said that BVP  
62. would also donate \$8,500 to help with restorations on the DeWitt Museum which will allow the museum  
63. to move forward with Restore Oregon.

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65. **Public Works:**

66. Mayor Hamsher called on Public Works Director Chris Camarena for his report. Chris reported that he  
67. has posted the Utility Worker I position in the paper and the position will close on July 1, 2019. Jake  
68. Ellson last day will be on June 25, 2019. Chris said that Clackamas Construction will be back soon to  
69. finish up on the Wastewater Project. The ground water level is too high for them to finish working on the  
70. project along Hwy 26 and various other parts throughout town.

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72. **Payables:**

73. To ratify the payment of bills. **MSP: To pay the bills. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All**  
74. **Members voted in favor.**

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76. **Resolution and Ordinance:**

77. Mayor Hamsher opened the Public Hearing for the budget resolutions at 6:25pm and asked if the  
78. audience had any questions or concerns. There were no questions or concerns from the council and the  
79. public audience. Mayor Hamsher closed the Public Hearing at 6:27pm.

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81. **Resolution 2019-02:** A resolution to adopt fiscal year 2019-2020 budget. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2019-02:**  
82. **A resolution to adopt fiscal year 2019-2020 budget. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members**  
83. **voted in favor.**

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85. **Resolution 2019-03:** A resolution to appropriate fiscal year 2019-2020 budget. **MSP: To approve Resolution**  
86. **2019-03: A resolution to appropriate fiscal year 2019-2020 budget. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Primoic.**  
87. **All members voted in favor.**

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89. **Resolution 2019-04:** A resolution to impose and categorize taxes for the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget.: **MSP to**  
90. **approve Resolution 2019-04: A resolution to impose and categorize taxes for the fiscal year 2019-2020**  
91. **budget. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members voted in favor.**

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93. **Resolution 2019-05:** A resolution of the City of Prairie City, Grant County, Oregon approving participation in the  
94. State Revenue Sharing Program. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2019-05: A resolution of the City of Prairie**  
95. **City, Grant County, Oregon approving participation in the State Revenue Sharing Program. Councilor**  
96. **Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members voted in favor.**

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98. **Resolution 2019-06:** A resolution extending workers' compensation coverage to the volunteers of the City of  
99. Prairie City for the fiscal year 2019-2020. **MSP: To approve Resolution 2019-06: A resolution extending**  
100. **workers' compensation coverage to the volunteers of the City of Prairie City for the fiscal year 2019-2020.**  
101. **Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members voted in favor.**

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103. **Resolution 2019-07:** A resolution changing appropriations in the Road Fund. **MSP: To approve Resolution**

104. **2019-07: A resolution changing appropriations in the Road Fund. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer.**

105. **All members voted in favor.**

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107. **Resolution 2019-08:** A resolution changing appropriations in the Sewer Fund. **MSP: To approve Resolution**

108. **2019-08: A resolution changing appropriations in the Sewer Fund. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer.**

109. **All members voted in favor.**

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111. **Other Business:**

112. Mayor Hamsher updated the council briefly on the Faiman Well Project. All progress is going good on  
113. well number 1 & 2, but well 3 has been temporarily removed from the plans due to environmental  
114. delays with the Tribes. Well number 3 will be tied into the other two wells at a later date and after the  
115. environmental delays have been approved by the Tribes. Mayor Hamsher said that the City will have to  
116. extend the interim financing amount to begin the project, but the loan and grant through Business  
117. Oregon and USDA funding will cover all interim financing cost. A town hall meeting was discussed  
118. and planned for July.

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120. Mayor Hamsher went on to the next item on the agenda, and asked the council to approve City Clerk  
121. Tina Willet to be able to sign checks through the city's general checking account in the absences of the  
122. City Recorder. **MSP: To approve City Clerk Tina Willet to be a signer on the city's general**  
123. **checking account. Councilor Phippen/Councilor Primozić. All members voted in favor.**

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125. Mayor Hamsher moved on to the next order of business for approval to set up the construction account  
126. through the Bank of Eastern Oregon for the Faiman Well Project. **MSP: To approve a construction**  
127. **account through the Bank of Eastern Oregon and to set Mayor Hamsher and Councilor**  
128. **Patterson as signatory for the Faiman Well Project. Councilor Officer/Councilor Phippen. All**  
129. **members voted in favor.**

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131. Mayor Hamsher moved on to discuss Depot RV Park revenue and reservations. The total revenue from  
132. June 2018 through July 2019 for Depot RV Park is approximately \$40,000. Mayor Hamsher said that  
133. this fall the park will have updates done by making the park 50 amps and putting frost freeze faucets in  
134. every RV spot. A park host was discussed for the winter season and expanding tent spaces in the  
135. future.

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137. Councilor Patterson addressed the council about needing an advisor for the 911 board in the case she is  
138. unable to make a meeting. Councilor Packard said she would fill in her spot if she was unable to make  
139. a meeting. **MSP: To approve Councilor Packard as a representative from the Prairie City Council**  
140. **for the 911 advisory board in Councilor Patterson absence. Councilor Patterson/Councilor**  
141. **Officer. All members voted in favor.**

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143. **Mayor Hamsher adjourned the regular council meeting at 7:25pm.**

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147. Attested: \_\_\_\_\_

148. Bobbie Brown, City Recorder

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151. Approved by the City Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019

152. and signed by the Mayor:

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Jim Hamsher, Mayor