

City of Prairie City  
Council Meeting  
October 9, 2019

1. **Attendance**

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

9. **Visitors**

10. Nancy Moffit
11. Kahli Clark
12. Farrell Clark
13. Glen Cartwright
14. Carole Garrison
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17. Mayor Hamsher opened the regular council meeting at 6:00pm and roll call was taken. Councilor  
18. Officer arrived late.

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21. **Visitors:**

22. Mayor Hamsher called on Nancy Moffitt from Clark's Disposal Inc. to discuss a rate increase for  
23. garbage service. Nancy said that Clark's has not had a rate increase since 2008 and would like the  
24. council to approve the increase to help with inflation and costs. Clark's is asking for a \$2.30 increase  
25. and they have included a senior discount of 5% for all senior residents. The current monthly pick up  
26. charge is \$15.50 per month for a 32-gallon bin. The increase will take effect January 1, 2020 with a  
27. monthly charge of \$17.80 for a 32-gallon bin. Councilor Phippen stated that Clark's saved money when  
28. they used the Prairie City Landfill from 2003-2015 to dump garbage. The council asked if Clark's would  
29. consider making the senior discount 10% instead of the 5% discount. Nancy Moffitt said that they could  
30. not raise the senior discount from 5%. **MSP: To approve the rate increase for Clark's Disposal Inc.**

31. **Councilor Primozie/Councilor Officer. Yay Vote 5/Nay Vote 1.<sup>2</sup>**  
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33. **Minutes:**

34. The minutes of September 11, 2019 council meeting were considered.  
35. **MSP: To approve the minutes of September 11, 2019 council meeting. Councilor**  
36. **Patterson/Councilor Phippen. All members present voted in favor**

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38. **Public Works Report:**

39. Mayor Hamsher updated the council on the US Cellular tower. He said that the construction crew has  
40. poured the footings and they have the mono pole assembled. He said that residents might have noticed  
41. the crane in town to put the pole in place. Mayor Hamsher said that Harney Rock and Paving have  
42. finished their portion schedule B of the 2019 Street Improvement Project. When Clackamas construction  
43. is finished on the east side of town, High Desert will come and finish paving the road work that is left to  
44. be done.

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47. **Payables:**

48. To ratify the payment of bills. **MSP: To pay the bills. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Packard. All**

49. **members present voted in favor.**

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51. **Other Business:**

52. Mayor Hamsher moved on to the Winegar land owner agreement for the Faiman Project. The council

53. discussed the agreement and the changes they would like to propose to the Winegar's attorney.

54. Mayor Hamsher said that he will get ahold of the Winegar's attorney that drafted the agreement

55. and discuss the changes that the council would like or have further clarity on. The council

56. tabled the approval of the agreement until a future council meeting.

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58. Mayor Hamsher moved on to the utility discussion. City Recorder Bobbie Brown asked that the council

59. approve that employees who receive free water as a benefit for working for the City be responsible for

60. paying any overages that occur past the base rate of 7500 gallons.

61. **MSP: To approve that City employees are responsible for paying overages occurred after the base**

62. **rate of 7500 gallons. Councilor Officer/Councilor Primozi. All members voted in favor.**

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64. There was discussion on the city council receiving free water for the work and services that they do for

65. the City. The consensus of the council was not opposed to the idea of giving free water to council

66. members, but to wait until the water project was completed and discuss the option at that time. The

67. matter was tabled for a future council meeting after the water project was completed.

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70. **Mayor Hamsher adjourned the regular council meeting at 6:50pm.**

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Bobbie Brown, City Recorder

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82. Approved by the City Council this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019

83. and signed by the Mayor:

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Jim Hamsher, Mayor