

City of Prairie City

Council Meeting

December 11, 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 Joe Phippen
8. Councilor Frank Primozić

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10. **Visitors**

11. Carlos Bortell
12. Luanne Bortell
13. Frances Preston
14. Sue Malaney
15. Carole Garrison
16. Anna Bass, Solutions CPA
17. Dan Becker
18. Marvin Rynearson, Fire Chief
19. Chris Camarena, Public Works Director

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

22. Primozić arrived late.

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24. **Minutes:**

25. The minutes of December 11, 2019 council meeting were considered.

26. **MSP: To approve the minutes of December 11, 2019 council meeting. Councilor**

27. **Patterson/Councilor Officer. All members present voted unanimously.**

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29. **Fire Report:**

30. Mayor Hamsher called on Fire Chief Marvin Rynearson for his report. Marvin reported that he will be
31. sending volunteer firefighters to training over the next couple of months. A DPSST instructor will train
32. for stressful situations. On January 4, 2019 Marvin has planned a CPR and first aid training for any
33. members of the council or the Fire Department that would like to attend. In January, February, and
34. March 2020 there will be a basic firefighter training course that Marvin has new members signed up for.
35. On December 14, 2020 The Fire Department will hold there annual Christmas Party.

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38. **Public Works Report:**

39. Chris reported that Clackamas is finalizing clean up on 6th Street and starting on North Johnson fixing
40. that portion of the sewer lines. They will be replacing a couple manholes by the church on North
41. McHaley and by Ed Butlers residence. Chris reported that there are two work crews in town and they are
42. hoping to get North Johnson finished up quickly. There may be some extra funding left from the grant
43. to fix other problem areas. Councilor Patterson asked about a replacing a manhole across the river that
44. the city crews patched previously. Chris said that he expects the patch work to hold up and not be such
45. an issue with the new pumps that are in place now. Mayor Hamsher said that they are seeing a 20-
46. thousand-gallon a day reduction right now, and fixing some of the other lines around town should help

47. with the pumping of extra ground water. He said that he would like to do the shoulder work in-house and
48. save on Davis Bacon wages, and a lot of the Wastewater Project was replacing the old pumps and the
49. worst lines that cause extra pumping costs of ground water.

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51. **Payables:**

52. To ratify the payment of bills. **MSP: To pay the bills. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Phippen. All
53. members present voted unanimously.**

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55. **Other Business:**

56. Mayor Hamsher moved on to the 2018-2019 audit report. He said that the suggestions the audit team
57. provided; the City is working on currently. The City will be reconciling RVS utility system on a monthly
58. bases instead of yearly.

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60. Mayor Hamsher moved on to discuss the RAIN program through Grant County Economic Development
61. that would allow startup money for small business owners. Mayor Hamsher would like to donate
62. \$300.00 for the program. Mayor Hamsher said that this would allow adventure capitalist to help seek
63. funding or help with setting up a small business for residents that don't know how to start a small
64. business on their own. The idea would be that it would bring business opportunity to residents of Grant
65. County. Mayor Hamsher said that with a \$300.00 donation, Prairie City would have just as much say as
66. another entity who may donate \$5,000.00 or \$10,000.00. There was some discussion on the pros and
67. cons of Economic Development for Prairie City. **MSP: To donate \$300.00 to the RAIN program and
68. sign the MOU. Councilor Phippen/Councilor Office. All members voted unanimously.**

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70. Mayor Hamsher moved on to approve the land owner agreement between Fred and Wanda Winegar and
71. the City for the Faiman Water Project. **MSP: To approve and sign the land owner agreement between
72. Fred and Wanda Winegar and the City of Prairie City. Councilor Patterson/Councilor Officer. All
73. members voted unanimously.**

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76. **Mayor Hamsher adjourned the regular council meeting at 7:01pm.**

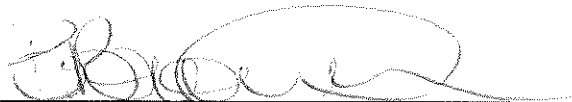
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Bobbie Brown, City Recorder

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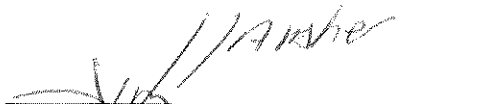
85. Approved by the City Council this 8th day of January, 2020

86. and signed by the Mayor:

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Jim Hamsher, Mayor