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**City of Florence
City Council Regular Session
Florence City Hall
250 Hwy 101, Florence, Oregon
Final Action Minutes
November 6, 2023**

Councilors Present: Mayor Ward, Councilors Sally Wantz, Bill Meyer, Jo Beaudreau, and Robert Carp.
(In person)

Councilors Absent: None.

Staff Present: City Manager Erin Reynolds, City Recorder Lindsey White, Assistant City Manager Megan Messmer, Public Works Director Mike Miller, Community Development Director Wendy FarleyCampbell, Police Chief John Pitcher, Administrative Services Anne Baker, Finance Manager Lezlea Purcell, and Management Analyst Peighton Allen.
(In person and via videoconference)

Guests Present: 53rd Anniversary of the Exploding Whale Event Organizer Terry Hankins.
(In person)

Handout: 11.6.23 City Council Meeting Base Presentation

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 53rd Anniversary of the Exploding Whale Proclamation

Start Time: 5:31 p.m.

Discussion: Mayor Ward presented...

- 53rd Anniversary of the Exploding Whale Proclamation

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for members of the public to bring to the Council's attention any item not otherwise listed on the agenda.

Start Time: 5:38 p.m.
Commenter 1: Mr. Michael Allen – Florence, OR
Handout: Speaker’s Card and Written Comments
Discussion: Mr. Allen discussed...

- Rescinding a previous restriction on posting signs along the edge of the road during our climate strikes in front of City Hall.

ACTION ITEMS

2. CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS WITH BANNER BANK

Consider approval of **Resolution No. 22, Series 2023**, a resolution allowing the purchase of \$3 million in certificates of deposit.

Start Time: 5:44 p.m.
Discussion: ASD Baker presented the staff presentation.
Handouts: Staff Presentation
Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Availability of purchase card services offered at other banking institutions. Bank of America is not local to Florence.
- Understanding reasoning for three million amount and not higher amounts.
- Understanding terms when certificates of deposit mature.

Comments: Councilors Carp, Wantz, and Beaudreau

Discussion: Staff discussed...

- Bank of America has programs for municipalities.
- Current Bank of America offering has safeguards that Banner Bank does not offer.
- Not wanting to tie up addition liquids funds.
- Contractual agreement to move all banking services (including credit cards) to Banner Bank when entering into a long-term loan agreement in order to receive a competitive interest rate.
- Banner Bank credit card terms do not meet the needs of the City.
- Reevaluating terms at certificate maturity.
- Compromise solution for deficiencies in bank card program and moving funds to deposit at Banner Bank.

Comments: ASD Baker and CM Reynolds

Action: Approve Resolution No. 22, Series 2023.

Motion: Councilor Meyer
Second: Councilor Wantz
Roll Call: Councilor Carp, 'Aye'
Councilor Wantz, 'Aye'
Councilor Meyer, 'Aye'
Councilor Beaudreau, 'Nay'
Mayor Ward, 'Aye'
Motion passes 4-1

3. POLICE VEHICLE PURCHASE

Consider approving the purchase of two new 2024 Ford F150 4x4 full hybrid pickup trucks for the Police Department for a total purchase of \$148,024.50.

Start Time: 6:06 p.m.
Discussion: PWD Miller presented the staff presentation.
Handouts: Staff Presentation
Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Vehicles having adequate horsepower for police needs.

Comments: Councilor Meyer

Discussion: Staff discussed...

- Officers have test driven Public Works truck and it meets police needs.

Comments: Police Chief Pitcher

Action: Approve purchase of two new 2024 Ford F150 4x4 full hybrid pickup trucks for the Police Department.

Motion: Councilor Carp
Second: Councilor Beaudreau
Roll Call: Councilor Beaudreau, 'Aye'
Councilor Meyer, 'Aye'
Councilor Wantz, 'Aye'
Councilor Carp, 'Aye'
Mayor Ward, 'Aye'
Motion passes 'unanimously'

4. 2023-2028 LANE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (NHMP) ADOPTION

Consider approval of **Resolution No. 23, Series 23**, a resolution adopting the 2023-2028 Lane County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan and Annex 4 – City of Florence, in support of the Florence Realization 2020 Comprehensive Plan, and repealing Resolution No. 10, Series 2019.

Start Time: 6:18 p.m.
Discussion: ACM Messmer presented the staff presentation.

Handouts: Staff Presentation

Start Time: 6:40 p.m.

Commenter 1: Mr. Michael Allen discussed...

- Reasons for supporting City of Florence in adopting the Lane County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- After reviewing document, interesting that climate change was not referenced as a requirement to be part of this plan.
- Appreciating the work committee has done in putting this plan together.

Comments: Mayor Ward and Councilor Wantz

Discussion: Staff discussed...

- Clarifying that this is not the Climate Action Plan; focusing that this is the Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Comments: CM Reynolds

Action: Approve Resolution No. 23, Series 2023.

Motion: Councilor Meyer

Second: Councilor Beaudreau

Roll Call: Councilor Carp, 'Aye'
Councilor Wantz, 'Aye'
Councilor Meyer, 'Aye'
Councilor Beaudreau, 'Aye'
Mayor Ward, 'Aye'
Motion passes 'unanimously'

CONSENT AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Consider approval of the September 25, 2023 City Council Regular Session, September 28, 2023 City Council Work Session, October 16, 2023 City Council Regular Session, and October 19, 2023 City Council Work Session meeting minutes.

Start Time: 6:48 p.m.

Action: Approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion: Councilor Meyer

Second: Councilor Beaudreau

Roll Call: Councilor Beaudreau, 'Aye'

Councilor Meyer, 'Aye'
Councilor Wantz, 'Aye'
Councilor Carp, 'Aye'
Mayor Ward, 'Aye'
Motion passes 'unanimously'

REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR UPDATES

Start Time: 6:49 p.m.

Discussion: The Department Directors discussed...

- Recognizing graduation of two officers from academy.
- October rainfall was 5.1 inches which is slightly above average.
- Thunder and lightning rolled through Florence today with one lightning strike disabling control of one gate at the airport.
- New precast concrete benches will be arriving soon to be installed at Miller Park.
- Flo-Gro is available and for sale on Tuesdays between 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Upcoming installation of holiday lights at various City buildings and in Old Town. Lights will be on for the Friday after Thanksgiving.
- Update on new business license renewal process.
- Upcoming EMAC and Florence Housing Implementation Plan Stakeholder Advisory Team meetings.
- 420 participants in the recent household hazardous waste collection event hosted by Lane County. Previous participation averaged 230-250 participants.
- Gratitude to City Council for attending the Florence Events Center luncheon for volunteers.
- Publishing City newsletter and FEC newsletter highlighting holiday events.
- Upcoming events at the Florence Events Center.

Comments: Police Chief Pitcher, PWD Miller, FM Purcell, CDD FarleyCampbell, and ACM Messmer.

7. CITY MANAGER REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Start Time: 7:06 p.m.

Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Upcoming City Meetings and Events.

- Posting City Council quorum notices during the holiday season.
- Thanking ACM Messmer along with other City staff members for participation and collaboration with the Lane County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Providing information on Mr. Allen's request for placement of signs in the City's right-of-way.

Comments: All Councilors present.

8. CITY COUNCIL REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Start Time: 7:15 p.m.

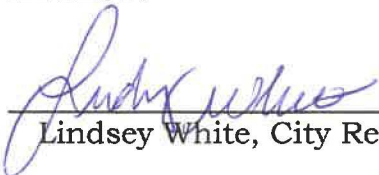
Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Understanding the usage of Siuslaw Fire Station #2 and its history as a city owned facility.
- Representing City and City Council at Lane County Act meeting.
- Attending Rhododendron conference as official 'welcome to Florence.'
- Gratitude to Mayor Ward for having individual meetings with Councilors.
- Upcoming Veteran's Day activities in Florence.

Comments: All Councilors present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST:


 Lindsey White, City Recorder


 Rob Ward, Mayor