

**City of Lowell, Oregon**  
**Minutes of the City Council Regular Session & Public Hearing**  
**April 18, 2023**

The Regular Session was called to order at 7:01 PM by Mayor Bennett.

**Members Present:** Mayor Don Bennett, Gail Harris, Tim Stratis, Maureen Weathers, Jimmy Murray

**Staff Present:** CA Jeremy Caudle, Public Works Director Max Baker

**Consent Agenda: Councilor Harris moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Councilor Weathers. PASS 5:0**

**Public Comments:** None

**Council Comments:** None

**City Administrator Report:** CA Caudle presented report which included

- Sale completion of the 205 E Main Street property
- The fence installation on the vacant lot on 70 N Pioneer Street campus, the appraiser has been contacted and the property will hopefully be on the market this month.
- Partition Plats have been received for the Rolling Rock Park and the old City Hall property
- In case we need assistance for the sale a licensed real estate professional has agreed to provide sales documents for the surplus 70 N Pioneer St property.
- Both the Parks Committee and the Blackberry Jam Committee have recommended that the temporary parking lot at Rolling Rock remain with Council approval needed
- Public Hearing on the updated SDC will be at the May 2 Council meeting
- State Audit Division granted an extension deadline until May 31.
- A \$60,000.00 capital funding request was made to Rep. Conrad's office for the programmable logic control and supervisory control and acquisition data system for the water plant.
- The budget will be the focus for the rest of this month
- Federal Security came in to begin the process for remote access to the security system.

**Public Works Report:** None

**Police Report:** March report provided in packet.

**Public Hearing:**

**Ordinance 311, "An ordinance relating to solid waste management in the city of Lowell, Oregon, including but not limited to granting to Sanipac, inc. The exclusive franchise to collect, transport, and convey solid waste, recyclable materials and yard debris over and upon the streets of the city, and to recycle, reuse, dispose of, or recover materials or energy from solid waste; creating new provisions; repealing any portions of any other ordinances in conflict with this ordinance."**

**Recess Regular Session 7:12 pm**

**Opened Public Hearing 7:12 pm**

**Public Comments: None**  
**Closed Public Hearing 7:14 pm**  
**Reconvene Regular Session 7:14 pm**

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

- Councilor Harris made a motion for the First reading on Ordinance 311, “An ordinance relating to solid waste management in the city of Lowell, Oregon, including but not limited to granting to Sanipac, inc. The exclusive franchise to collect, transport, and convey solid waste, recyclable materials, and yard debris over and upon the streets of the city, and to recycle, reuse, dispose of, City Council Meeting Agenda Page 3 of 4 or recover materials or energy from solid waste; creating new provisions; repealing any portions of any other ordinances in conflict with this ordinance.” Seconded by Councilor Murray. PASS 5:0
- Ordinance 311 was read by title only by Mayor Bennett
- Councilor Harris made a motion for the second and final vote on Ordinance 311 at the May 2 Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilor Murray. PASS 5:0
- Councilor Stratis made a motion to authorize the City Administrator to initiate the sale of the vacant 0.26-acre lot at 70 N. Pioneer St. using a for sale by owner method. Seconded by Councilor Murray. PASS 5:0
- Councilor Harris made a motion to Authorize the City Administrator to pay \$308,644.78 from the proceeds of the sale of 205 E. Main Street to Southside Bank to pay off loan #263007. Seconded by Councilor Stratis. PASS 5:0
- Discussion of the draft of the City Annex for inclusion in the Lane County hazard mitigation plan.
- Council had no issues/comments with the Renewal notification process” letter from the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission for liquor license renewals for Armando’s restaurant.

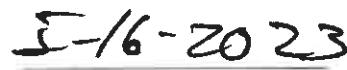
**Other Business:**

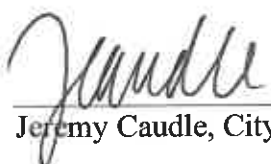
**Mayor Comments:** Spoke about the Mayors Roundtable that he sat in on.


**Community Comments** – Bob Burr- 566 E 1<sup>st</sup> Street Lowell, comments about evacuation for a catastrophic failure of the dam.

**Adjourn: 7:43 PM**

Approved:   
Don Bennett, Mayor

  
Date

Attest:   
Jeremy Caudle, City Recorder

  
Date