



**TALENT CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TALENT COMMUNITY CENTER  
May 21, 2014 – 6:30 P.M.**

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The City Council of the City of Talent will meet on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 in a Regular Council session at 6:30 P.M. in the Talent Community Center, 206 E. Main Street.  
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**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING- 6:30 PM**

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**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

**Members Present**  
Mayor Cecil  
Councillor Dean  
Councillor McManus  
Councillor Stricker  
Councillor Pederson  
Councillor Steyskal

**Members Absent**  
Councillor Cooke

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Mayor Announcements**

Mayor Cecil announced that at the next Council Meeting there will be an Executive Session for the City Managers Evaluation and he will be sending out materials to Council next week.  
He also announced his upcoming meetings for the next week.  
Councillor Stricker questioned the City Manager Evaluation procedure process. Mayor Cecil briefly explained the process. He spoke that if Council wanted to change the guidelines they should discuss this by the end of the Fiscal Year. Mayor Cecil spoke he will be sending Council instructions next week.

**4. Public Hearings**

*Public hearings are conducted under a prescribed procedure depending on the topic. The presiding officer will conduct the hearing in accordance with those procedures which will allow for public input at the announced time.*

**4.1 None.**

**5. Citizens Heard on Non-Agenda Items**

*Limited to 5 minutes or less per Mayoral discretion*

There were none.

**6. Public Presentations**

*Items that do not require immediate Council action, such as presentations, discussion of potential future action items. Time limited to 15 minutes per presentation unless prior arrangements have been made.*

**6.1 Rogue Valley Food System Network**

Wendy Siporen and Hannah Ancel presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding Rogue Valley Food System Network (see attached). Mayor Cecil thanked Ms. Siporen and Ms. Ancel.

## 7. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda consists of items of a repeating or routine nature considered under a single action. Any Councilor may have an item on the consent agenda removed and considered separately on request.

- 7.1 Approval of Regular Council Minutes for April 16<sup>th</sup>, and May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- 7.2 Acknowledge Receipt of Together for Talent Minutes for March 11, 2014 & April 8, 2014
- 7.3 Acknowledge Receipt of Payables
- 7.4 Approval of Thomas Ehrhart to Traffic Safety & Transportation Commission

Councilor Pederson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Dean seconded. Mayor Cecil repeated the motion. Discussion: None. All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

## 8. Regular Agenda

Citizens will be provided the opportunity to offer comments on action items after staff has given their report and if there is an applicant, after they have had the opportunity to speak. Action items are expected to result in motions, resolutions, orders, or ordinances.

### 8.1 Parks Commission recommendation acquisition of Old Bridge Village land

City Manager, Tom Corrigan gave Council a brief staff report.

Burke Raymond – 400 Creekside Way, Talent. Mr. Raymond spoke that he is the President of Homeowners Association. Mr. Raymond spoke in support of the acquisition of Old Bridge Village to the City of Talent. Mr. Raymond also thanked Mr. Corrigan for his work on this.

Councilor Stricker spoke that she would like to see the financial impact. Mr. Corrigan spoke that Public Works had looked into the costs from a maintenance standpoint. There was an estimated just under \$2000 per year. He spoke to what would be involved in the cost. Councilor Stricker asked if the space would be maintained by volunteers. Mr. Corrigan answered no. He explained volunteers could assist but Public Works would be doing the maintenance and no outside source would be needed.

Councilor Steyskal moved that the City accept the property from the Old Bridge Village, designate it as Open Space and maintain the property to the same standards as other City properties of similar use and direct staff to cause this to occur. Councilor Pederson seconded. Mayor Cecil repeated the motion. Discussion: Councilor Pederson spoke in support of the motion. All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

### 8.2 Parks Commission recommendation Little Libraries

Mr. Corrigan spoke that they couldn't attend. He gave a brief overview of what the Little Libraries are. Parks made a recommendation to allow to start the project.

Councilor Stricker moved to allow Ford Foundation to put in little libraries in the City of Talent. Councilor McManus seconded. Mayor Cecil repeated the motion. Discussion: None. All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

## 9. Information Items

### 9.1 None.

## 10. City Manager & Other Department Reports

Items for discussion by the City Manager and Department Heads as needed.

Mr. Corrigan gave Department and City reports.

- Public Works has been working with Parks frequently lately. The sand arrived for the Volleyball Court and will be open this weekend.
- There was a meeting at Lynn Newbry Park to look at what needs to be worked on.
- Paving the City Parking Lot will begin Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. There will also be work done at the Police Departments parking lot.
- Weeding was done Colver Triangle. It was a good job done by volunteers.
- Discretionary Funds will be decided at the June 18<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.
- Staff is looking at redoing the ride along policy.
- Phishing scams were discussed.
- Notice of award for engineering went out.
- Staff has been dealing with Fish and Wildlife for riparian areas, trails and blackberry bushes.
- Letters have been sent out regarding fire season and code enforcement.
- TAP meeting is tomorrow.
- The Summer Recreation schedule went out in the paper.
- Court software will be looked at soon.
- Fire Department inspections are coming up.

- Mr. Corrigan has met with interested citizens who want to renew and take over Friday Night Market.

## 11. Other Business

**11.1** Councilor McManus suggested addressing preventative measures regarding a drought emergency. A temporary ban on fireworks was discussed. Mayor Cecil suggested that the Fire Department come to our next meeting to discuss this. Staff would put this on the next agenda.

- 12. Mayor and Councilor - Committee Reports and Councilor Comments**  
Rogue Valley Area Commission on Transportation – (Mayor Cecil & Dean)  
Together for Talent Committee – (Mayor Cecil)  
Metropolitan Planning Organization – (Mayor Cecil & Cooke)  
Planning Commission – (Steyskal)  
Public Art Advisory Committee – (McManus)  
Parks Commission – (Dean)  
Traffic Safety & Transportation Commission – (Cooke)  
Urban Renewal Agency – (Steyskal, Pederson & Dean)  
Rogue Valley Council of Governments – (McManus & Stricker)  
Medford Water Commission (Stricker)  
Bear Creek Greenway Committee – (Cooke)  
Talent Historical Society – (Pederson)  
Harvest Festival Committee – (McManus)  
Economic Development Committee (Stricker)

Councilor Stricker announced met with SOREDI last week and gave a brief update. The Chamber meeting is tomorrow. She also announced that she was appointed to Jackson County Fire District as a Member of Board of Directors.

Councilor Steyskal announced that there is special Planning Commission Meeting tomorrow. He also announced that at the TURA Meeting last night they approved the alternative budget.

Councilor Pederson announced that TURA will be meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> for bid results. He announced that the Historical Society Meeting is also on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Dean announced she attended the Parks Commission Meeting. She announced that Paul Hadella is working on a grant for trails and a US tennis association grant. At the next Parks meeting the Commission will be walking through the Parks to decide where to put the new signs. She spoke that Parks been doing good work and have been working hard.

Councilor McManus announced Talent Public Arts is looking into other places to display art. He also announced that the RVCOG meeting is next week.

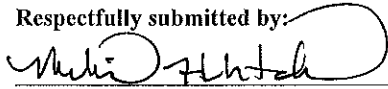
Mayor Cecil announced he attended the RVACT and gave a brief update.

Councilor Dean spoke that she would like updates on business closures and when a new business is opening.

13. Adjournment

The City Council Meeting was adjourned at: 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted by:



Melissa Huhtala, City Recorder

Attest:



Tom Corrigan, City Manager

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