

**CANBY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
October 2, 2019**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Brian Hodson

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Tim Dale, Shawn Varwig, Sarah Spoon, Greg Parker, Trygve Berge and Traci Hensley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rick Robinson, City Administrator; Joseph Lindsay, City Attorney; Melissa Bisset, City Recorder

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Greg Perez, Paul Ylvisaker, Amira Stanley, Shannon Hale, Cathy Rae Smith, Betty Crawford

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Hodson called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers followed by the opening ceremonies.

Walk & Bike to School Day Proclamation – Mayor Hodson read the proclamation declaring October 2, 2019 as Walk & Bike to School Day and presented it to Shannon Hale, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Member.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**CITIZEN INPUT & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Paul Ylvisaker, Canby resident, discussed how the random explosions at the Canby High School football games affected him. He did not think it was an appropriate tradition when it affected pets and neighbors as well. The School District had ignored the request sent by the City Administrator for fireworks without the percussive component. When he had talked to the School District they said they would try to find a less percussive firework, but nothing had changed. He was asking the City Council to rescind the variance that allowed the School District to use fireworks and put a moratorium on the fireworks until a solution could be found.

Amira Stanley, Canby resident, shared her perspective on being a part of the LGBTQ community and a Christian. She read her church's peace covenant and mission statement. She suggested a church in Canby hold an open forum where everyone could discuss these issues.

Cathy Rae Smith, Canby Area Beautification group, announced an annual planting event on November 23. At the last Chamber of Commerce Luncheon they had presented a Business Beautification Award for 2019 to Canby Pioneer Chapel. She then presented a Canby Beautification Special Recognition Award to Rick Robinson, City Administrator.

**MAYOR'S BUSINESS:** Mayor Hodson welcomed new City Recorder, Melissa Bisset. The Planning Department was working on a grant to fund an Economic Opportunity Analysis in preparation for Comprehensive Plan updates. He reported on the Library District Association Committee for Clackamas County meeting where library district boundaries were discussed. Tomorrow was First Thursday as well as a C4 meeting. He attended the League of Oregon Cities Conference and a session on emergency preparedness. He recognized Mr. Robinson for his service and noted it was his last official meeting.

**COUNCILOR COMMENTS & LIAISON REPORTS:** Councilor Berge thanked Mr. Robinson for his service.

Councilor Parker discussed the Historic Landmark Commission's clean-up of the cemetery and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee's tour of the Traverso property. He encouraged everyone to attend the planting on November 23 at 10 a.m.

Councilor Hensley also attended the League of Oregon Cities Conference.

Councilor Varwig said library cards could now be given to children from birth and up. The Library Board received training from the Census representative. Canby's WIC office was located at the Library now. The Library of Things was up and going.

Councilor Spoon announced the Bridging Cultures Thanksgiving Dinner on November 23. She thanked Mr. Robinson for his work.

**CONSENT AGENDA: \*\*Councilor Dale moved to adopt the minutes of the September 18, 2019 City Council Regular Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Hensley and passed 6-0.**

### **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

Resolution 1322 – Mr. Robinson discussed the ownership of the Shops property which had been shared with the City and Canby Utility. Canby Utility had water rights to the Willamette River, but not a means to access those water rights. This was an exchange of land immediately adjacent to the Shops property for the Water Treatment Plant expansion with access to the Willamette River in trade for ownership of the Shops property. The property adjacent to the Shops property had been purchased many years ago to be parkland and did not have covenants that would encumber it for this use. People would not be able to see the Water Plant from Territorial and the current pathways and trails from the Logging Road and Eco Park would still remain intact.

Councilor Dale explained the City owned the infrastructure, but Canby Utility was responsible for the management and capital improvements for the City's water supply. Canby Utility had been exploring a back-up source of water for some time and dealing with aging infrastructure with no room for expansion. They had explored many options for water, but in the end, it came down to using the Willamette River and Canby Utility already had a permit to use the river.

Councilor Spoon discussed how this exemplified Mr. Robinson's work of being solution oriented and finding common ground between agencies and figuring out what the best thing for the community was.

Councilor Parker said this was quintessentially Mr. Robinson of a win win and a good example for the new City Administrator. He wanted to make sure this did not limit the City's options on Wayside Park. He asked when a Water Treatment Plant was built on the Willamette if the current plant would be decommissioned.

Mr. Robinson clarified this property was not part of Wayside Park.

Councilor Dale said there was tremendous security in having two water sources. Councilor Parker said it was beautiful riverside property and would make an excellent park or small home village.

Councilor Dale said they had talked about decommissioning the current water plant, but keeping the intake on the Molalla and piping it down to the new water plant.

Mayor Hodson said they also might need to provide water to other nearby communities as they grew and there might be a need for both water sources.

**\*\*Councilor Dale moved to adopt Resolution 1322, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROPERTY EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CANBY AND CANBY UTILITY FOR THE EXCHANGE OF CANBY UTILITY'S 54.3% OWNERSHIP IN THE PUBLIC WORKS "SHOPS PROPERTY" FOR UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE "SHOPS PROPERTY", TO BE USED AS A FUTURE CANBY UTILITY WATER TREATMENT FACILITY, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE PROPERTY TRANSACTION. Motion was seconded by Councilor Spoon and passed 6-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BUSINESS & STAFF REPORTS:** Mr. Robinson acknowledged Dan Murphy's work and Canby Utility Board on finding a water solution. He thanked the Mayor and Council for allowing him to be their City Administrator for the past five years and for the personal support they had given him during some challenging health issues with his family.

Joe Lindsay, City Attorney, expressed his appreciation to Mr. Robinson for the quality of his leadership.


**CITIZEN INPUT:** None

**ACTION REVIEW:**

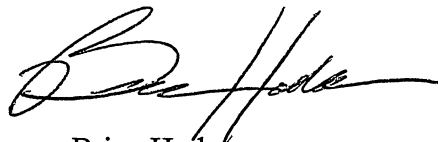
1. Approved the Consent Agenda.
2. Adopted Resolution 1322.

There was no Executive Session.

Mayor Hodson adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:09 p.m.



Melissa Bisset  
City Recorder



Brian Hodson  
Mayor

Assisted with Preparation of Minutes - Susan Wood