



WINLOCK CITY COUNCIL

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Brandon Svenson, Mayor

Jess Bowers, Council Position #1 * Chuck Camps, Council Position #2 * Jodie Curtis, Council Position #3 *

Jeremy Allman, Council Position #4 * Lindsey Alvord, Council Position #5

Public Hearings

1.) 2025 Property Tax Revenue

Mayor, Svenson opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor, Svenson said this year is a little different because we will get the property tax revenue from the (UGA) Annexation this 2025 Budget year.

Mayor Svenson said last year the City levied (\$177,292.00) at .735 this next year it will be at (\$368,000.00) that is the same rate as .735 same as last year.

Mayor, Svenson asked if anyone in the audience, or via zoom wished to comment at this time. No one wished to comment.

Mayor, Svenson closed the 2025 Property Tax Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

2.) 2024 Preliminary Budget

Mayor, Svenson Opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

The Council had no questions at this time. Mayor, Svenson moved on to ask if anyone in the audience, or via zoom wished to speak at this time. No one wished to comment.

Mayor, Svenson closed the 2025 Preliminary Budget Hearing at 6:08 p.m.

City Council Meeting

November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Svenson called the regular meeting at 6:08 p.m.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

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Mayor Brandon Svenson, Present, Jess Bowers, Present, Council Position #1; Chuck Camps , Present, Council Position #2; Jodie Curtis, Present, Council Position #3; Jeramy Allman, Present, Council Position #4; Lindsey Alvord, Present, Council Position #5.

Others Present

City Attorney, Marissa Jay, City Assistant Clerk, Mindi Baird, and City Treasurer, Jill Davis

1. Flag Salute

Mayor Svenson led the Flag salute.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member, Jeramy Allman said we need to move Executive Session to number five (#5) and move all the numbers down. Council Member, Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve the Amended Agenda. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion Passed unanimously.

- *Council Member Allman – Motion*
- *Council Member Curtis – Second*
- *Mayor Svenson –N/A*
- *Council Member Bowers – Approve*
- *Council Member Camps – Approve*
- *Council Member Alvord – Approve*

3. Executive Session- RCW 42.30.110(i)

Mayor, Svenson recessed the regular meeting at 6:09 p.m. to go into Executive for fifteen (15) minutes for RCW 42.30.110 (i).

Mayor, Svenson returned to the regular meeting at 6:24 p.m. and said no decisions were made.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Council Member, Jeramy Allman thanked the City for an amazing job putting Halloween together. For the Community. Mayor Svenson said Randy Pennington one the trunk decorating contest.

5. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Svenson said the Meyer Meadows Street lights are at the PUD with the Engineers. Mayor, Svenson said he will call to get more information on the ETA. Mayor, Svenson moved onto say that N. Military Rd. Nevil to SR 505 will be shut down next week. The construction company is doing good work they're moving as quickly as they can. The school has posted a detour route on the Community forum and the residents there will be able to access their homes. The construction crew Forman and he is hopeful to be finished the beginning of December. Mayor Svenson said that he appreciates the work being done and for the good quality product at the end. Mayor, Svenson moved onto apologize for any inconvenience. Mayor, Svenson moved onto address the sewer plants hot issues. Mayor, Svenson said he does not know who said that once all these houses were built that the cost would go down. Maybe

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when they built it that may have been the idea. In the past five years cost has quadrupled. Mayor Svenson said even though the PUD expense has gone up, we are not raising rates as the plant has aged, we are spending a lot more money in regard to maintenance and hauling sewage out. We also have to charge based on income surveys in order to get grants. Mayor, Svenson said since he has been Mayor property taxes and sewer rates have not gone up. Mayor Svenson moved onto say that crossing lights were ordered and will get an update.

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member, Chuck Camps invited the Community to please come to the Council meetings and share ideas or, ask questions. That is what the meetings are for.

7. Committee Reports, no reports submitted at this time

A. Grants – No report submitted at this time

8. Reports –

a. Police Department, Chief Valentine

Chief Valentine submitted and read his monthly report to Mayor, Svenson and the Council. There was ninety-eight (98) calls for October 2024. Year to date there was one thousand and twenty-six calls for the City of Winlock. The City of Toledo had thirty-three calls (33) for October 2024

9. Public Comment – No one in the audience, or via zoom, wished to comment at this time.

10. CONSENT AGENDA –

Approval of Vouchers for November 12, 2024, for eighty-seven thousand six hundred thirty-seven dollars and forty-one cents (\$87,637.41). and minutes from October 28, 2024. **Council Member Jeremy Allman Motioned to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second, by Council Member Lindsey Alvord, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman- Motion**
- **Council Member Alvord – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Curtis – Approve**

11. AGENDA

a. **Liquor License Renewal, Club Tavern and Guadalajara Family Restaurant - The Council had no questions at this time. Council Member, Jeremy Allman Motioned to Approve the Liquor License Renewal for the Club Tavern and Guadalajara Family restaurant. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman – Motion**

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- **Council Member Curtis – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**

b. **Water Leake Reduction Request, Jess Bowers-** Council Member Jess Bowers Recused himself from the Motion. **Council Member, Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve Water Leak Reduction Request for Jess Bowers. Second, by Council Member Chuck Camps, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman - Motion**
- **Council Member Camps - Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Abstain**
- **Council Member Curtis– Approve**
- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**

c. **Water Leak Reduction Request, Michael Stamps - Council Member, Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve Water Leake Reduction for Micharl Stamps. Second, by Council Member Lindsey Alvord, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman – Motion**
- **Council Member Alvord – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Curtis – Approve**

d. **Water Leak Adjustment, Amanda Jordan, – Council Member, Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve Water Leak Reduction Request for Amanda Jordan. Second, by Council Member Lindsey Alvord, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman – Motion**
- **Council Member Alvord – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Curtis – Approve**

e. **Water Leak Reduction Request, Eli Granger – Council Member, Jodie Curtis Motion to Approve Water Reduction Request for Eli Granger. Second, by Council member jess Bowers, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Curtis – Motion**

- **Council Member Bowers – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Allman – Approve**
- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**

f. **Water Leak Reduction Request, Old Apostolic Lutheran Church -Council Member, Lindsey Alvord Motion to Approve Water Leak Refund request for Old Apostolic Lutheran church. Second, by Council Member Chuck Camps, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Curtis – Approve**
- **Council Member Allman - Approve**

g. **Interlocal Agreement, Lewis County IT/VPN Services – Mayor Svenson said this ILA agreement is for our Police Officers to Spillman hooked up to their Police vehicles. Council Member, Jeremy Allman Motioned to Approve the Interlocal Agreement, Lewis County IT/VPN Services. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Council Member Allman – motion**
- **Council Member Curtis – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Camps – Approve**
- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**

h. **Interlocal Agreement, Municipal Court Services for City of Toledo – The Mayor of Toledo and the City Clerk were present. City attorney, Marissa Jay said that section B number 3 should read the City of Toledo’s Police Department shall provide citations used to summon defendants to court. If they ever want to have their own Police Department. Rachael, City Clerk of Toledo and the Council had a brief discussion on fees and terms of the Agreement. Council Member Jeremy Allman expressed his appreciation for all of hard work put in. Council**

Member Jodie Curtis Motioned to Approve the Interlocal Agreement, Municipal Court Services for the City of Toledo as Amended. Second, by Council Member Chuck Camps, the Motion passed unanimously.

- **Council Member Curtis- Motion**
- **Council Member Camps – Second**
- **Mayor Svenson – N/A**
- **Council Member Bowers – Approve**
- **Council Member Allman – Approve**
- **Council Member Alvord – Approve**

- i. **Interlocal Agreement, Law Enforcement Security with Winlock School District** – Chief, Stephen Valentine said there is no change. **Council Member Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve Interlocal Agreement, Law Enforcement Security with Winlock School District. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.**

Council Member Allman – Motion
Council Member Curtis – Second
Mayor Svenson – N/A
Council Member Bowers – Approve
Council Member Camps – Approve
Council Member Alvord -Approve

- j. **Interlocal Agreement, Law Enforcement Services for City of Toledo** – Chief, Valentine said he thinks Marissa did a great job putting this agreement together and feels that it will benefit both the City of Winlock and the City of Toledo. Mayor, Svenson said it has been a pleasure working with Toledo. Council member, Jeramy Allman thanked Mayor, Svenson, Chief, Valentine and the Mayor of Toledo. **Council Member Jeramy Allman Motioned to Approve the Interlocal Agreement, Law Enforcement for the City of Toledo. Second, by Council Member, Jess Bowers, the Motion passed unanimously.**

Council Member Allman – Motion
Council Member Bowers – Second
Mayor Svenson – N/A
Council Member -Camps – Approve
Council Member Alvord – Approve

- k. **2024 Certification of Administrative Refunds for Levy - \$2,169.57** – Mayor, Svenson said this is administrative refunds from prior year that was refunded from Board of Equalization that we would not collect. Mayor Svenson asked the Council if they wish to collect the two thousand one hundred sixty-nine dollars and fifty-seven cents and add it to next year’s levy or waive it. Mayor said in the past we waived it. The County is asking if we want to add that to 2025 or just move on. **Council Member Jeramy Allman motioned to not Collect the Refund for the 2025 Levy. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.**

Council Member Allman – Motion
Council Member Curtis – Second
Mayor Svenson – N/A
Council member Bowers – Approve
Council Member Camps – Approve
Council Member Alvord – Approve

- l. **Resolution 2024-17, 2025 Property Tax Levy** – Mayor, Svenson said this is the property tax levy in the amount of Three hundred sixty-eight thousand dollars (\$368,000.00). This is the additional money from Annexation. Last year we levied one hundred seventy-seven thousand

two hundred ninety-two dollars (\$177,292.00) at .735 per thousand dollars of home value. With the additional worth of the City with Annexation, puts us at the same tax rate .735 per thousand-dollar home value without raising taxes. The City of Winlock is the third largest City in the County with lowest property tax. ***Council Member Jeramy Allman Motion to Approve Resolution 2024-17-2025 Property Tax Levy. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.***

***Council Member Allman – Motion
Council Member Curtis – Second
Mayor Svenson – N/A
Council Member Bowers – Approve
Council Member Camps – Approve
Council member Alvord - Approve***

- m. **2025 Preliminary Budget** – The Council had no question regarding the 2025 Preliminary Budget. ***Council Member Jeramy Allman Motion to Approve the 2025 Preliminary Budget. Second, by Council Member Jodie Curtis, the Motion passed unanimously.***

***Council Member Allman – Motion
Council Member Curtis – Approve
Mayor Svenson – N/A
Council Member Bowers – Approve
Council Member Camps – Approve
Council Member Alvord - Approve***

12. Adjournment

Council Member Jodie Curtis Motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second, by Council Member Lindsey Alvord, the Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

- ***Council Member Curtis – Motion***
- ***Council Member Alvord - Second***
- ***Mayor Svenson – N/A***
- ***Council Member Bowers – Approve***
- ***Council Member Camps – Approve***
- ***Council Member Allman – Approve***

Mayor Svenson adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.



Brandon Svenson, Mayor

Attest:



Mindi Baird, Assistant Clerk