

WINLOCK CITY COUNCIL

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City of Winlock
City Council Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2025
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Svenson called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Determination of Quorum:

Council Present:

Mayor Svenson; Position 1 – Jess Bowers; Position 2 – Chuck Camps; Position 3 – Jodie Curtis; Position 4 – Jeramy Allman; Position 5 – Lindsey Alvord

City Staff Present:

City Clerk - Maureen Crabtree

3. Flag Salute:

Mayor Svenson led the flag salute

4. Approval of Agenda:

Councilman Allman motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Curtis. **Motion carries** unanimously.

5. Old Business:

- Mayor Svenson returned the large posts to Traffic Safey Supply in Portland that came with flashing crossing signs for road crossing by IGA. New smaller should be installed shortly.
- Rodney is looking into using Jones Road to spread de-watered material after screw press is installed at sewer processing plant.
- Councilman Allman inquired about plaque for chicken statue. Mayor Svenson responded that the plaque has been received but concrete needs additional work before the plaque can be installed, Winlock Lions Club will spruce up area with a new garden.

6. Mayor's Comments:

- May Day Parade in Vader this coming weekend Saturday May 3rd. Parade likely starting around 10 or 11, Egg Day float will be at parade.
- Jake's Firework show, mayor unable to attend but wants to extend thanks for sharing display with community.
- Egg Day is coming up talk to Jodie for additional information.
- Paving at Shannon Lewis Lane has been completed, holding up well and continues to look good.

7. Council Comments:

- Councilman Allman attended Jake's Firework show. It was a good fireworks show.
- Councilman Allman inquired about City's plan to clean up Harkins Road pavement and sidewalk. Mayor Svenson responded that he and Community Development Director would investigate the issue in person and determine next steps.

8. Committee Reports:

- Finance Committee – Councilman Allman noted that as of March 2025 the City's general fund is positive. The city will continue have other bill payments. Tax revenues are very positive this year.

9. Public Comments:

- Kathy *via zoom* – Heard there was an explosion at 456 State Route 505, can you elaborate on what happened out there this morning? Mayor Svenson stated that an RV caught fire early this morning.

10. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Vouchers for April 28, 2025 for \$131,012.52
- b. Approval of Minutes for April 14, 2025 and Special City Council Meeting April 22, 2025

Councilman Allman motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman Avlord. **Motion carries unanimously.**

Agenda Items

11. Winlock Miller Elementary School Jog-a-Thon, Tori Nelson/Randy Pennington:

Randy Pennington presented for Tori Nelson the WMES employee coordinating the event. A handout was provided to the council explaining the background for the Jog-a-Thon; it's a fundraiser for PE Department and Winlock Community Student Advocates. The school is requesting road closures of Northwest Arden Avenue, Northwest Washington Avenue, Northwest Benton Avenue and Northwest Fir Street near the school, allowing the entire student body to participate as the school track is too small. Students will raise money based on the number of laps completed. Street closure is for students and staff safety, all WMES staff will be participating. Winlock Police Department and Lewis County Fire District No. 15 will be present at the event. Including preparation time to canvas roads prior to event and student running time, it is anticipated the event will last approximately one hour.

A general discussion took place.

Councilman Allman motioned to approve WMES Jog-a-Thon request, seconded by Councilman Camps. **Motion** carries unanimously.

12. Lunar Production LLC – Dispensary, Brett Walker:

Mr. Walker is putting together a Conditional Use Permit Application for a dispensary within city limits at 292 State Route 505. Mr. Walker is interested in the City Council's opinion about approving this permit. Mr. Walker has 15 years in cannabis industry, he currently has Washington State issued licenses and permits for cannabis.

A general discussion took place, encouraging him to continue the process.

13. Egg Day Parade: Road Closure - Jodie Curtis:

Jodie Curtis; Chair of Winlock Egg Day Committee and Vendor Coordinator. Jodie is requesting permission to block all parking on Benton Avenue between Fir Avenue and Washington Street from 6 am to noon on Egg Day including street parking for people who live on Benton Avenue.

A general discussion took place, no decision was made.

14. Adjournment:

Councilwoman Curtis motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Allman. Motion carries unanimously.

Mayor Svenson adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

These minutes are not verbatim. If so desired, a recording of this meeting is available online from: https://cityofwinlock.com/index.php/city-council/

Brandon Svenson, Mayor

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