

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ATHENA CITY COUNCIL

July 8, 2021

Attendance: Mayor Becky Schroeder called the regular meeting of the Athena City Council to order at 6:00 pm. Roll was taken with Councilors Katie Zmuda, Wayne Kostur, Sally Thompson, and Gene Wright present. Councilor Jesse Bonifer was absent. City Recorder Michelle Fox and four guests were also in attendance. Mayor Schroeder led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Business from the Public:

Athena Mainstreet Association (AMA): April Vorhauer Flatt with the Athena Mainstreet Association updated the Council on their events. Community Night Out will be July 30, on Main Street from 6:00-9:00. Due to popular demand, Tuesday Market will continue through August. April brought up a concern about a couple safety hazards on Main Street. One being the tree by the Stahl Building and the tree by Napa causing the sidewalks to buckle. Councilor Wright would like a list of these safety hazards.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the council meeting minutes of the 6/10/21 meeting, the financial statements, and bills. Motion carried 4-0.

Actionable Items:

A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution #2021-08 Authorizing the City's Participation in the LOC Legal Advice Program. Motion carried 4-0

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission approved Permit 2021-03-Rezoning of Property for Barbara Beamer at their meeting. Michelle explained the steps that need to take place before this can actually be finalized.

New Business: The Council reviewed a proposal from Sunhurst Energy to install solar panels along Pambrun Road. The Council would like a representative from Sunhurst Energy to attend next month's meeting to give a detailed explanation how this project would benefit the city and to answer questions before they decide whether to proceed.

Business from the Departments & Councilors:

Library: Kristin has several programs going this summer including Art in the Park, Children's Storytime, and the Adult Book Club which had doubled in attendance.

Parks & Rec: Swimming Pool is up and running.

Public Works: The snack shack for the ballfield has been ordered.

Fire: No Report

Sheriff: The Umatilla County Sheriff's office monthly report was included in packet.

Administration: Auditors will be here the week of July 12. Karrah will be out of office for two weeks.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm. The next regular council meeting will be **August 12, 2021 @ 6:00 pm.**

Approved: Becky Schroeder, Mayor _____

Attested: Michelle Fox, CMC, City Recorder _____