

COGGON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 25, 2023

The Coggon City Council met in a special session on April 25, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. with Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Rath presiding. Council Members present- Jeff Harbaugh, Angie Faust, Jeremy Faust and Reenie Montgomery. Laura Drummy with Linn News and employees Public Works Director Brandon Lewis and City Clerk/Finance Officer Brenda Quandt were in attendance.

Motion by Harbaugh, Montgomery to open strategic planning meeting at 6:37 p.m. All ayes.

Reviewed street bids. Motion by Rath, Harbaugh to earmark \$150,000 from ARPA funds and LOST to be used for a street project. All ayes.

Motion by Montgomery, Rath to set May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. for a Public Hearing for City Budget FY23 Amendment #4. All ayes.

Council person Montgomery introduced the following ordinance amendment: an Ordinance amending Title VI, Chapter 18 regulating signs by adding this section in its entirety. It was moved by Council person Montgomery and seconded by Council person J. Faust that the reading of the Ordinance be waived. Ayes: J. Faust, Harbaugh, Rath, A. Faust, Montgomery. It was moved by Council person Harbaugh and seconded by Council person A. Faust that the rule requiring said Ordinance to be read on three different days be dispensed with. Ayes: J. Faust, Harbaugh, Rath, A. Faust, Montgomery. It was moved by Council person J. Faust and seconded by Council person Montgomery that the Ordinance as above stated be now put upon its final passage and adoption. Ayes: J. Faust, Harbaugh, Rath, A. Faust, Montgomery. Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem declared said Ordinance duly adopted and signed the approval to said Ordinances.

Discussion on hiring part time as needed for mowing/city clerk. Council members also said they would volunteer to help mow Savage Park to free up public works for other various projects throughout the community.

Discussion on annexation of properties. Mayor Pro Tem Rath volunteered to reach out to some residents to see how they would feel about an annexation. The City would be looking for voluntary annexation as no services will be added at this time.

Clerk to contact City Attorney regarding Commercial Zoning on Main Street.

Motion by J. Faust, Montgomery to strongly say he was not in favor of increasing wages for mayor or council. All ayes.

Motion by Harbaugh, Montgomery to accept Mayor Beckman's resignation effective April 30<sup>th</sup>. All ayes.

The remainder of the meeting consisted of strategic planning and how to barnstorm ideas to improve the community and how to start implementing them.

The council set Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to work on straightening and painting street signs and poles around town.

Next Strategic Planning Meeting will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Harbaugh, J. Faust to adjourn special meeting at 9:22 p.m. All ayes.

These minutes have not been approved by the City Council and any revisions, additions; corrections thereto will appear in the next set of minutes to be published.

Jeff Rath, Mayor Pro Tem

Brenda Quandt, City Clerk