

GLADSTONE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES of August 18, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM.

ROLL CALL:

The following City officials answered roll call: Commissioner Michele Kremers, Commissioner Malachi de AElfweald, Commissioner Linda Nease, Commissioner Kevin Johnson, Commissioner Les Poole, and Chairperson Tammy Stempel.

ABSENT:

Commissioner Kirk Stempel

STAFF:

Jolene Morishita, Assistant City Administrator; David Doughman, City Attorney; Clay Glasgow, City Planner; Melissa Jones, Prosecuting Attorney; Jeff Jolley, Interim Police Chief; Linda Beloof, Municipal Judge; and Sean Boyle, Code Enforcement.

Chairperson Tammy Stempel made a few comments regarding the duties of the Planning Commission.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. There was no discussion. *Commissioner de AElfweald made a motion to approve the minutes from July 21, 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Nease. Motion passed unanimously.*

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Public Hearing: Draft Ordinance – Amending Title 17 of the Gladstone Municipal Code to Repeal Chapter 17.61 and Adopt a new Chapter 17.61 – Wireless Telecommunication Facility. City Attorney Doughman asked if any commissioners had a conflict of interest in regards to this ordinance. Chairperson Tammy Stempel said that she works for an engineering firm that does work on telecommunication towers as part of their service scope but that's not exclusively what they do. City Attorney Doughman went over the staff report and explained that most of the law governing telecommunications is dictated by Federal law. This ordinance is based on the City of Salem's code. Commissioner de AElfweald said there are more stringent requirements now.

Public Testimony:

There was no public testimony.

Commissioner de AElfweald made a motion to approve the draft ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Gladstone Municipal Code to repeal Chapter 17.61 and adopt a new Chapter 17.61 with no additional changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Johnson. There was no further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Work Session: Discussion of Code Revisions.

Mike Kenny and Dennis McCarty wanted to address the parking situation in the area of Charolais Court and Webster Road. There has been a sudden increase in vehicles parked on Webster Road, which interferes with the line of sight of drivers. Chairperson Stempel said that this was a good time to bring up this issue because there will be professionals coming to assist with a review of the transportation plan soon.

Municipal Judge Linda Baloot wanted to address the money amounts of forfeitures for infractions in 1.08.090 – Schedule of Forfeitures. She said there is some confusion regarding the amounts and she would like the language to be clearer. She would like to increase some fees/fines. It was agreed to mirror the ORS fines when appropriate and the City fee schedule when appropriate.

Sean Boyle, Code Enforcement and Interim Police Chief Jeff Jolley went over issues with park regulations/hours and changes they would like to make. Commissioner Poole will be attending the next Parks meeting and will address these issues and get a decision. Mr. Boyle went over some other issues regarding the codes addressing chronic nuisance properties and vacant properties, chickens, drinking in public, trailer/RV parking, designated parking permit areas, bike lanes, sidewalk repair. Interim Police Chief Jolley went over issues with the garage sale code, business licenses, and the parks. There was a discussion regarding having a ticket kiosk for Meldrum Bar Park.

ADJOURN:

Commissioner Nease made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Kremers. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Minutes approved by the Planning Commission this 15TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2015.


Tamara Stempel, Chair