

## **GLADSTONE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2023**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Milch at 6:32 P.M. – (Via Zoom and In Person)

### **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Michael Milch, Councilor Alexander, Councilor Garlington, Councilor Huckaby, Councilor Reichle, Councilor Roberts, Councilor Cook

### **ABSENT:**

None

### **STAFF:**

Jacque Betz, City Administrator; Tami Bannick, City Recorder; Cathy Brucker, Finance Consultant; Darren Caniparoli, Public Works Director; John Schmerber, Police Chief; Chad Jacobs, City Attorney

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Mayor Milch called the meeting to order. He explained that the City is abiding by guidelines set forth in House Bill 2560, which requires that they make all meetings accessible remotely, through technologic means and provide the opportunity for the public to participate to the best of their ability. This meeting will be open to the public, both in person and virtually, using the Zoom platform. The Council members and staff will be in person, as well as those citizens who wish to attend in person. He went over the procedures that will be followed for the meeting and the meeting agenda. He said that public announcements will be at the beginning of each meeting and public comments will still be at the end.

He said they acknowledge the Clackamas, Chinook, and Kalapuya native peoples on whose ancestral homelands they gather tonight. We honor them as a vibrant, foundational, and an integral part of our community. We recognize their accomplishments as the native stewards of these lands, as well as the diverse and vibrant native communities who make their home here today. We thank those who have connection to this land and serve as stewards, working to ensure our ecosystem stays balanced and healthy. He said without a full representation of everyone's experience we will never be able to design and develop a better future.

### **AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS:**

None.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of June 13, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of May Bank Balances
3. Budget Report for Period ending 5-31-2023
4. Approval of May Check Register
5. Legal Costs on Projects for May
6. Department Head Monthly Reports for June 2023
7. Consider Approval of a Personal Services Agreement between the City of Gladstone and Amy Lindgren for Municipal Judge Services
8. Approval of Resolution 1219 – Authorizing the City Administrator to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Lending Personnel within Clackamas County when personnel are unable to get to a normal reporting location.

*Councilor Huckaby made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilor Alexander.*

*Councilor Garlington asked to pull item #7. She asked if we needed the additional agreement with the Judge in here because she oversees other jurisdictions. Ms. Betz said that is a separate agreement.*

*Councilor Alexander made a motion to approve item #7. Motion was seconded by Councilor Roberts. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

*Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote on the initial motion to approve the Consent Agenda: Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes.*

*Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

#### **9. REPORT FROM CLACKAMAS FIRE DISTRICT #1:**

Assistant Fire Chief Brian Stewart gave a report. He thanked everyone for a great Fourth of July, especially Police Chief Schmerber and all the volunteers. They had a great time.

Tonight they are deploying a task force to the Condon area. They are staffing and preparing for fire season.

Last night they responded to a fire in the 400 block of Arlington – they were on scene within three minutes of being dispatched. The first 24 firefighters were there within nine minutes. It was an exterior fire at an office building. The crews did a great job.

He said in regard to Consent Agenda item #8 – they have the same type arrangement with personnel when they can't get to their regular reporting location.

#### **10. PRESENTATION – CLACKAMAS RIVER BASIN COUNCIL:**

Eric Butler, Riparian Specialist, gave a Power Point presentation. They are one of Oregon's Watershed Councils that were enacted under the 1996 Oregon Plan for salmon recovery. They are here to foster partnerships for clean water, to improve fish and wildlife habitat and the quality of life for everyone who lives, works, and recreates in the watershed. Approximately 60% of the land area of Gladstone is within the Clackamas watershed.

He gave background information regarding their projects. The Clackamas River provides drinking water for over 300,000 households in the Portland Metro area. He went over the reasons why they decided to do a restoration project at Cross Park. Their vision was to do approximately 2.1 acres of riparian habitat restoration. They also did a series of volunteer projects and a "Stash the Trash" program. The amount of trash they pull out of the river has steadily declined. He went over the projects they have participated in since April of 2022 (weed pulling, clean-ups, planting, etc.). Next steps – they have a work party coming up on August 5<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 A.M. They will be mulching plants and weeding. Contractor maintenance will continue for the next two to three years, as funding allows. They are hoping to get more funding in the future to put up an interpretive sign that goes over the history of the project/park.

He thanked all the partners involved.

Councilor Reichle thanked Mr. Butler for his time. She said the Parks and Rec Board is very interested in partnering with them to grow this program in the community. Councilor Garlington asked where they ask people to put the trash once they collect it – Mr. Butler said they can take it home or drop the bags in City-provided receptacles. Councilor Cook asked how long they have funding established for maintenance of the plants and what is required of Public Works once that funding is not available. Mr. Butler said they can cover spray work for the rest of this year and through next year, and most likely into year three. Typically three years of treatments is pretty effective at getting the plants established.

**11. GLADSTONE CITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Bob Everett, Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary Club, said they will try to get some volunteers to help out with the Cross Park project.

He said the Community Festival will be held on August 4<sup>th</sup> (starting at noon) and 5<sup>th</sup>. They are working hard to get everything lined up. They will have a larger beer garden with bingo, stage entertainment, etc. Information is available on the City's website/newsletter. The Kiwanis are having a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning before the parade. There is a car show on Sunday as well. They are looking for volunteers to help break everything down on Saturday night, the dunk tank, etc. You can sign up at Gladstonecommunityfestival.com. He thanked everyone who volunteers, as well as everyone with the City departments.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**12. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE CITY OF GLADSTONE AND OAK LODGE WATER SERVICES RELATING TO PROVISION OF DOMESTIC WATER, WASTEWATER, AND STORMWATER SERVICES :**

Ms. Betz said they had a work session to discuss this on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Oak Lodge Water Services (OLWS) and Gladstone have adjacent and overlapping territorial boundaries. Within those boundaries, each entity operates a water and a wastewater collection system and manages stormwater. Territorial boundaries and utility systems have evolved over time, and OLWS and Gladstone have generally worked together to build their utility systems in an efficient manner throughout their combined territories. As a result, portions of Gladstone's water utility system serve customers located within OLWS's territorial jurisdiction, and portions of OLWS's water utility system serve customers located within Gladstone's territorial jurisdiction. The wastewater collection systems of each entity are interconnected, with the vast majority of wastewater in these areas flowing to OLWS's treatment plant (those areas not flowing to OLWS flow to WES). For stormwater, Gladstone has the primary responsibility for managing stormwater run-off from the rights-of-way it controls, whereas Clackamas County ("County") has the primary responsibility for managing stormwater run-off from the rights-of-way in OLWS's territory outside of Gladstone's boundary. However, OLWS helps the County manage some stormwater facilities, and portions of each stormwater system lie within the boundaries of the other entity. As part of their efforts to develop and coordinate their utility systems, OLWS's predecessors and Gladstone have entered into at least six different intergovernmental agreements, originating from the 1970's, which themselves have been amended. Some of these agreements have broadly outlined each entity's roles and responsibilities, while others have addressed the provision of utility services to specific customers. However, it has become clear to the entities' professional staff that the previous IGAs no longer adequately capture the full relationship between the two entities. For many of the previous IGAs, the language is vague, leaving staff from both entities with many questions regarding the intent of those IGAs, or requiring lots of interpretation that may change over time. The consolidation of the Oak Lodge Water District with the Oak Lodge Sanitary District, and now the conversion of that consolidated district to the Oak

Lodge Water Services Authority, has created an opportunity for OLWS and Gladstone to revisit their relationship on a comprehensive basis. Staff and attorneys from each entity have been meeting periodically over the past several years to discuss the details of a new IGA that would combine many of the provisions of the previous IGA's into one place, update those provisions to match current business practices, and allow the entities to coordinate their utility systems on an even stronger basis going forward. Those efforts resulted in this IGA. She went over the highlights of the agreement and the exhibits. (All the information is included in the packets and available online). They are proposing a 40-year term for the agreement.

Mr. Caniparoli went over the maps/streets that are effected. Ms. Brucker said the four exception properties have Oak Lodge Water Services water meters/water lines and will be billed directly by them. They are also on City sewer collection lines, so they will be billed for that, including the City's collection costs, plus the Oak Lodge pass-through costs. The City will also bill them for the stormwater charges.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the IGA.

Councilor Garlington asked what was included in the fixes from the I&I (\$707,525) on page 12-3, Section 6. Ms. Betz said that is the original amount that they agreed to in capital projects and was approved in the biennial budget. Ms. Brucker clarified that this amount was the Oak Lodge portion. Councilor Alexander asked if the old IGA's would be null and void and we are starting a new one. Ms. Betz said yes, they consolidated all the IGA's since 1970 and this will become the new master IGA for a 40-year term.

*Councilor Alexander made a motion to approve a new Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Gladstone and Oak Lodge Water Services relating to Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater. Motion was seconded by Councilors Huckaby and Roberts. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**13. RESOLUTION 1220 – UPDATING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 1214 – RATE CHANGES FOR COMMUNITY CENTER RENTALS, UTILITY RATES, PLANNING FEES, PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS FOR POLICY BODY CAMERA FOOTAGE, AND SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES (SDC'S):**

Ms. Brucker said that they do the annual increases on July 1<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>. She went over the increases pertaining to Water Environment Services (WES), Oak Lodge Water Services Sewer Charge, and North Clackamas County Water Commission (NCCWC). They have also updated the low-income levels for residents who qualify. The City will be increasing the utility fees as of July 1<sup>st</sup> by 4% for water, sewer, and storm, so they also kept the SDC fees at 4% as well. The Police Department will follow Clackamas County's format to include collection of fees for public records requests for body-worn camera footage. They will also increase fees for local history printouts and address records prints due to increased staff time and material costs. The rental rates at the Gladstone Community Center will be increased due to additional rentals of the halls and to meet the needs of increased building monitoring hours, inflation, and additional janitorial services. Technical Plan Review/Development Engineering fees were increased in January 2023, and language was added to the Master Fee Schedule to clarify the intent of those costs. The City also discontinued the contract with Clackamas County for Planning Services in January 2023 and adopted a slate of planning fees for in-house administration/collection – they are increasing/adding fees based on staff time and material costs.

There was discussion regarding SDC's. The fees are based on specific methodology and are being kept in line with other increases.

Councilor Cook asked for clarification regarding the increments on page 13-8, Planning staff review. Ms. Austin said the intent was for it to be the first 15 minutes are free and after that it's billed in a 30-minute increment. Councilor Cook asked about page 13-11, SDC's, under water for a 4-inch meter she noticed that this was the only line where the change was a reduction in cost. Ms. Brucker will look at that – it should be an increase of 4% to the \$157.07.

Councilor Garlington asked about page 13-1 – she asked what a local history printout and address record print were. Chief Schmerber said they are related to background history checks. Councilor Garlington asked about page 13-11, street opening permit fee – she asked if \$100 was enough. Mr. Caniparoli said it is to extend the permit – it gives a 90-day extension and typically that is only given to large companies like PGE, NW Natural, etc. Councilor Garlington asked about page 13-11, if the meters would still be the same size – Ms. Brucker confirmed that they would be the same throughout – just the price is changing.

Councilor Alexander asked if there was a fee for public records requests prior to this. Chief Schmerber said this is a new fee associated with the process of obtaining body-cam footage. It covers the staff time involved. Councilor Alexander asked if there was a waiver if the person requesting the records is low-income – Ms. Betz said the City does not have a waiver form/process, but their policy is if they can get it within 15 minutes it is free.

Councilor Huckaby asked who the Police Department is running background checks for – Chief Schmerber said the checks are not in-depth and there has to be a legitimate reason. Councilor Huckaby asked about the costs involved for the body-cam footage. Chief Schmerber said they followed Clackamas County's fees.

*Councilor Garlington made a motion to approve Resolution 1220, a Resolution repealing Resolution 1214 and adopting a new revised Master Fee Schedule that includes clarification to planning staff review fee, meter sizes correction and line 191 corrected to \$156,735. Motion was seconded by Councilor Alexander. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**14. PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 1522 – AMENDING GLADSTONE MUNICIPAL CODE (GMC) CHAPTER 17.14 – MR – MULTI-HOUSEHOLD RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO BE “ALLOWED OUTRIGHT” AND REVIEWED UNDER THE EXISTING CLEAR AND OBJECTIVE STANDARDS APPLICAPABLE TO DEPLEXES AND MULTI-FAMILY:**

Mayor Milch opened the public hearing.

He went over the procedure that will be followed. Any interested person may present testimony concerning the proposed amendments. The public hearing is your opportunity to comment on the proposal before the City makes a decision. They want to hear what you have to say and your point of view. Help them to understand why you've drawn your conclusion and how it relates to the proposal. Public testimony for this hearing will be called for in three groups (testimony in favor of the proposal, testimony opposed to the proposal, and neutral testimony). If you wish to speak, please fill out one of the testimony forms and submit it to the City Recorder. He will recognize those persons wishing to speak and any questions should be addressed through him. When you testify, please state your name and the city of residence. He gave instructions for those watching via Zoom or on the telephone.

He asked the Councilors if any of them were planning to abstain from this matter or if they needed to declare any conflict of interest. None did.

Ms. Austin went over the staff report. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed text amendments at a public hearing on June 20, 2023 and recommended approval to the City Council. The proposed updates clarify and simplify the review process and dimensional standards for all middle housing and multi-household residential developments and prohibit the new single-family detached residential developments in the City's highest density zoning district. The proposal includes changes to Chapter 17.14 of the Development Code. There are two types of changes. One is to what is permitted and not permitted to do in the zone and the other is to dimensional standards for those uses. They are proposing a change of use from conditional use for other middle housing outside of duplex and changing single-family detached from being conditionally allowed to being no longer allowed if constructed after the adoption of this ordinance. She went over the proposed changes to dimensional standards and minimum densities.

The proposed changes meet the City's policy initiatives and strategic goals related to housing. Staff joins the Planning Commission in the recommendation for approval of the proposal.

Councilor Alexander asked if ADU's fall under this – they do not.

Councilor Cook asked where the MR zone is – Ms. Austin said it includes everything behind the auto dealerships on the west side of McLoughlin Boulevard, and on the east side of McLoughlin Boulevard it's behind the commercial zoning north of Hereford. There is another pocket on the west side of Webster Road, just north of Cason.

Councilor Garlington asked why make a townhouse lower than the 1,500 that is standard. Ms. Austin said 1,500 is our R-5 standard, so that is middle density housing type zone – this is our high-density zone, so they want to encourage more units to be developed in this area to provide potentially lower price points to support work force housing. Councilor Garlington asked if a 1,200 sq. ft. lot would allow for a garage facility or off-street parking – Ms. Austin said it could be a multi-layer structure. Councilor Roberts asked about page 14-8, Section 1, dimensional standards – are the set-backs growing and not being removed? Ms. Austin said they are striking the cottage standard set-backs in that location because they are addressed in the table, so the table would apply to cottage clusters. Councilor Roberts had a question about page 14-5, Section 5, swimming pools – is there a fence requirement? Ms. Austin said they do not require it in the Development Code because it is required by the Building Code.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:**

None.

*Councilor Roberts made a motion to close the public testimony. Motion was seconded by Councilor Alexander. Ms. Bannick took a role call vote: Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**Discussion:**

Councilor Garlington pointed out that parking is still a problem. Ms. Austin said they did not address any parking minimums or changes in these code changes. The standard of one parking space per dwelling unit continues.

Councilor Alexander asked why they are doing this. Ms. Austin explained they are bringing the MR zoning district into alignment with the City's/Housing Needs Analysis' goals to reduce barriers to workforce housing, particularly in the higher density zoning district, and bringing the zoning code up to date with State regulations to provide a clear and objective pathway for reviewing all residential type, and to make sure they are providing opportunity for housing development in the City.

*Councilor Garlington made a motion to amend the 1,200 square foot average minimum per lot for townhouses in Section 17.14.050, page 14-6, back to 1,500 square feet. Motion was seconded by Councilor Roberts.*

Discussion: Councilor Roberts asked for input from Ms. Austin. She said that 1,200 sq. ft. is an industry standard for that type of development in a higher density zoning district, whereas 1,500 sq. ft. is a more medium density type development for townhouses. It doesn't mean that it's all going to be 1,200 sq. ft. lots – it could still be 1,500 sq. ft. lots if that's what makes sense for that area/financing/market trends. It's a *minimum*. It provides more options. There was further discussion and review of the zoning map.

*Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Huckaby – no. Councilor Alexander – no. Councilor Reichle – no. Councilor Cook – no. Councilor Roberts – no. Councilor Garlington – yes. Mayor Milch – no. Motion failed (6-1).*

*Councilor Huckaby made a motion to approve Ordinance 1522, approving text amendments to the Gladstone Municipal Code (GMC), Chapter 17.14 (MR – Multi-Household Residential District), City file TXT-23-01. Motion was seconded by Councilor Roberts. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**15. RESOLUTION 1221 – SUBMITTING TO REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE CITY A CONTINUED LOCAL OPTION TAX AT A RATE OF \$0.68 PER \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE ANNUALLY FOR FIVE YEARS TO PROVIDE POLICE SERVICES:**

Ms. Betz said they discussed the levies at the last work session and during the budget process. Both will expire in 2024. At the work session there was a consensus from the Council to move forward in bringing back a resolution as the next step, then submit them to the registered voters of the City.

Mr. Jacobs went over Page 15-2. He said they need to have some language after the question which notifies the voters that “*the measure renews current local option taxes*” (Section 1 of the Resolution and again in Section 4 where the question is repeated). He proposed a motion that will amend the full resolution accordingly.

*Councilor Roberts made a motion to adopt Resolution 1221, a Resolution submitting to the registered voters of the City a continued local option tax at a rate of \$.68/\$1,000 assessed value annually for five years to provide police services, with the addition in Sections 1 and 4 as provided pursuant to ORS 280.070. Motion was seconded by Councilor Alexander. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**16. RESOLUTION 1222 – SUBMITTING TO REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE CITY A CONTINUED LOCAL OPTION TAX AT A RATE OF \$0.31 PER \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE ANNUALLY FOR FIVE YEARS TO PROVIDE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

Ms. Betz said this pertains to Fire and Emergency Services. It will need to be amended as well. Councilor Garlington wanted everyone to know that this says it funds approximately 18% of the total Fire/Emergency Services budget; the rest comes out of the general fund.

*Councilor Roberts made a motion to adopt Resolution 1222, a Resolution submitting to the registered voters of the City a continued local option tax at a rate of \$.31/\$1,000 assessed value annually for five years to provide fire and emergency medical services, with the addition in Sections 1 and 4 as provided pursuant to ORS 280.070. Motion was seconded by Councilor Reichle. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**17. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE CLACKAMAS COUNTY JUVENILE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF GLADSTONE FOR JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM:**

Chief Schmerber went over the staff report.

Since 2019, The City of Gladstone Police Department has collaborated with the Clackamas County Juvenile Department, who originally contracted with Parrot Creek for diversionary programs for our youth. In 2020, the Juvenile Department partnered with Latino Network utilizing the Restoring Individuals, Communities, and Hope (RICH) Diversion Program. The RICH Diversion Program provides community-based interventions for all Clackamas County youth who have committed low-level first offenses and are generally at low risk to reoffend. The program utilizes restorative justice values and principles where youth are held accountable to their victims and community. Access to the RICH Program is determined by the Clackamas County Juvenile Department. If the offense committed by the youth is minor and a first offense, the Juvenile Department will refer the case over to the RICH Program. The program coordinator will contact parents inquiring about the youth's participation in the program and if agreed, all parties enter into an agreement. Providing our youth the opportunity to learn from their mistakes through intervention to make better choices in the future is a philosophy the Gladstone Police Department believes in. Additionally, it allows the Clackamas County Juvenile Department to focus on youth who have a medium to high risk to reoffend. Data received from Latino Network shows that since 2021, the Clackamas County Juvenile Department referred 42 Gladstone cases over to the RICH Diversion Program. Twenty-nine of the forty-two cases met the diversion criteria and participated in RICH. The RICH Diversion Program is recognized as an integral resource to the juvenile justice system and community as a whole.

The Clackamas County Juvenile Department is asking all cities to help subsidize the referral costs. The suggested contribution for the City of Gladstone is \$2,500 and is based on the size of the city.

The work being conducted by Latino Network is well worth the investment to intervene early with our youth for the purpose of helping develop good strong community members. The cost is already included in the budget.

Councilor Reichle asked for statistical information – Chief Schmerber will forward the information to Ms. Betz who can then forward it on.



Mayor Milch pointed out that this program applies to ALL youth in Clackamas County. Councilor Huckaby asked if there is an overlap in these programs (Latino Network/Juvenile Department/Gladstone P.D./School District {SBIRT}). Chief Schmerber said they don't see any overlap. He said the P.D. would be dealing more with criminal offenses that are outside the school system.

Councilor Garlington asked if the \$2,500 is for one year and there would still be enough money to fund it for another year – that is correct. They budgeted \$5,000 for the biennium.

Councilor Roberts said on 17-5, under the Chief's contact information, the address listed is incorrect.

*Councilor Alexander made a motion to continue support of the RICH Diversion Program and that the City enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Clackamas County Juvenile Department and the City of Gladstone effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Motion was seconded by Councilor Huckaby. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Cook - yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Councilor Garlington – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

**BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD:**

None.

**BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

John Kihlstrom said after reviewing the GMC he noted that some of them are not gender neutral – he suggested that be amended. As a first time attendee at the Fourth of July festival he thought it was fantastic and fun.

**BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

**Councilor Huckaby:**

She said she enjoyed the picnic.

**Councilor Reichle:**

She said that the Parks and Rec Board met last night and got some updates. They went over the results of the survey regarding the playground at Meldrum Bar Park – Option B was selected. They are expecting installation sometime this fall. At the same time the swings at Robin Hood Park will go in. The SDA project for the dog park at Meldrum Bar has been postponed until next year. Instead, they will help with painting/repair of some shelters. Michelle from the Community Center attended to discuss their new "Music on the Greens" event which will be held on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>.

She also enjoyed the barbeque.

**Councilor Cook:**

They enjoyed the picnic as well and thanked the Police and Fire Departments and all the volunteers. They added their name to the list of volunteers for the Community Festival at the "inflatables". They encouraged everyone to volunteer.

**Councilor Roberts:**

He attended the NCCWC quarterly meeting last month. The work that Public Works has done on the leaking mains has been a substantial change for the wastewater, so they have seen a lot of money recouped in that. Oak Lodge has been working on the same thing.

**Councilor Garlington:**

She thanked everyone for their work on the Fourth of July barbeque. She hopes to see a lot of people at the Community Festival this year. She encouraged everyone to volunteer.

She thanked the staff from the Community Center for including the photos of the Center.

**Mayor Milch:**

He and his family enjoyed the picnic as well. He thanked everyone involved.

At the last work session they discussed possible expenditures of some additional ARPA funds and certain kinds of community services were brought up. During a work session on August 23<sup>rd</sup> of last year there were presentations by the Director of the Clackamas Work Force Partnership regarding childcare in Clackamas County. He encouraged everyone to watch the meeting because there is good information if they intend to move forward in trying to expand those kinds of services in the community. He said that Gladstone wants to be involved in things that improve the lives of its citizens and our City within the region.

Mayor Milch asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

*Councilor Reichle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Roberts. Ms. Bannick took a roll call vote: Councilor Garlington – yes. Councilor Roberts – yes. Councilor Cook – yes. Councilor Reichle – yes. Councilor Alexander – yes. Councilor Huckaby – yes. Mayor Milch – yes. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.*

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 P.M.

Approved by the Mayor this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:

  
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Michael Milch, Mayor

  
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Tami Bannick, City Recorder