

August 13 2024

The Regular meeting the Common Council of the City of Malin Oregon was held at 2432 Fourth Street Malin Oregon August 13 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hughto at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Mayor: John A. Hughto

City Recorder: Isaac Nunn

Councilors: Heath Haywood, Christa Moore, Connie Venegas, Ryan Bartholomew and Brandon Zieg (Ivan Hernandez arrived at 7.35 pm)

PUBLIC COMMENT/SAFTY PROGRAM

Malin resident Stacy Haywood wanted to address a dog attack against her pet which was on a leash at the time and what could be done about stray dogs by the city?

Mayor John Hughto stated that this is the 3rd or 4th time this has happened and no one has received a ticket for loose animals yet. He stated that the county said it wouldn't do anything. Councilor Haywood stated that the county told him they couldn't do anything and that we were on our own. Mayor John Hughto stated that the City of Malin has an ordinance regarding loose dogs. Mrs. Stacy Haywood stated that she was walking her dog on a leash and that a dog attacked her dog and that her dog required surgery. She stated that she is afraid that the loose dog could attack a child next, she stated that she is frustrated as she is a responsible dog owner and other citizens are just letting their dogs roam free. Councilor Moore asked how the city goes about handling this. She asked if citizens were supposed to call the county to haul stray dogs. Mayor John Hughto stated that he used to take them to the pound as code enforcement. Rob Grounds stated that the city has a kennel behind the city shop but it needs to be repaired before it would hold an animal. Mrs. Stacy Haywood stated that she carries mace now and other citizens carry sticks. Malin resident Anna Hernandez explained how her dog was also attacked by another dog while she was walking hers on a leash. Councilor Ivan Hernandez stated that he does not let his children walk their dog anymore because of the stray dog problem in Malin. Malin resident Lucy Haywood stated that she has seen stray dogs and she is worried about other children walking around town. Mayor John Hughto stated that the City of Malin will work on this issue. Police Chief Patrick Richards informed everyone that the Police can catch and kennel them. He also shared that the Malin P.D. is getting a truck and that will be helpful to take the stray dogs to the dog pound. He stated that the Police will start working on writing citations for strays and citizens need to still call the county because the more they hear from us the more they will pay attention.

A Motion was made by Councilor Haywood, seconded by Councilor Bartholomew, to move to Agenda item 7.b. Basin Ambulance to the top of the agenda. The motion carried by Councilors Bartholomew, Haywood, Hernandez, Moore, Venegas and Zieg.

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(7. New Business b. Basin Ambulance)

For the Safety portion of the agenda, an AED Presentation was put on by Basin Ambulance.

Mr. Tcm Ongman, a representative with Basin Ambulance gave a presentation in honor of the 75th anniversary of Basin Ambulance. It was started in 1949 during the internment of Japanese citizens at the camp in Newell. Then it moved from Tulalake to Malin Fire Department in the Mid 1980s due to California laws. At that time they took on the name Basin Ambulance. They will usually respond to about 650 calls a year but this year alone has a double digit increase. There were 2000 EMP responses last year. Basin Ambulance is a special district but it's not taxing so this area pays nothing for their ambulance services. They could tax citizens, but thankfully they have not needed to do that yet. Basin Ambulance has 4 ambulances and 20 EMTs.

Mayor John Hughto asked how big the district was that they were responsible for.

Mr. Orgman responded that by law, no matter where you are in Oregon an ambulance will respond. Basin Ambulance is responsible beginning at Mile Post 8 through Merrill, Malin, Langell Valley, the bug station south of Tulalake, Medicine lake, Sheepy Ridge, Dorris down to their airport, Bonanza, and Bly Mountain coming soon. On paper they are responsible for 120 square miles but in reality they cover almost 2000 square miles. They will go from township road to Hwy 97. They primarily consist of volunteer staff and run from 6am to 6pm Monday through Sunday. They do have a few paid staff as you can't have all volunteers with 650 calls a year. The paid staff are at the Merrill Fire Hall from 6am to 6 pm. The Basin Ambulance volunteers have the same training as the paid staff. In order to keep their certification they must complete at least 240 hours of training a year. Since 1949 they have never missed a call.

Mayor John Hughto thanked Basin Ambulance for what they do and the entire Council agreed and thanked them as well.

Council Haywood asked if they would be doing anything for the 75th anniversary?

Basin Ambulance stated that they were visiting the towns they served as they were doing tonight and talking about our service. Malin represents about 15% of our calls. They stated that it cost \$36,000 for thier first modern ambulance and now the cost for an ambulance is \$300,000. Ambulances require replacement on the average of every 6 years or at about 200,000 miles.

Councilor Hernandez asked what the average fee for a call was.

Mr. Orgman responded the average call for the ambulance is about \$2,600.00 but they get about 35% of that so it equals about \$1,000.00 per person when they haul them to the hospital, but that doesn't cover the actual cost. He stated that they get people who take the ride to the hospital and they give us false names and we never see them again and that happens a lot more of then you would think.

REPORTS

a. Public Works

Director Rob Grounds stated that the well Static level was at 74 feet. He stated that ODOT has been running around town and he believed that they were taking measurements for the new sidewalks just like Merrill has. Councilor Haywood stated that the sidewalks in Merrill were not good for school busses. Mr. Tom Ongman stated that it's a federal law regarding the design of those sidewalks and that is why Merrill had to build them the way they are. He stated that the City of Merrill didn't want them designed like that, but they were unable to change it.

Director Grounds stated that there were 14 hours of power outages and the water tank still had water in it and the sewer didn't back up so everything is and was ok.

Councilor Bartholomew asked why the static level of the well hasn't recovered as high as we would have hoped. Director Grounds stated that he was not sure but that there were some agricultural wells pumping in the area and maybe those are stopping the ground water refill.

Director Grounds stated that a construction company came in and refilled the crack repairs at the airport and have the runway looking good. He stated that the Oregon fuel tax from the airport is going to airport maintenance now through the Oregon Department of Aviation.

Recorder Nunn and Director Grounds met with the Oregon Department of Aviation and were informed that there would be a lot of grant money available in the near future, so Malin can possibly win one to extend a taxiway to the new hanger lease plots.

Councilor Bartholomew inquired what the City should do about the many egregiously late water bills. Director Grounds stated that he would shut the water off to customers with unpaid bills. Councilor Bartholomew stated that we do need to do something as there are a number of accounts that are severely overdue.

b. Police

Chief Patrick Richards stated that the Police Department responded to 74 actions this month. He stated that he delivered letters to citizens with disabled cars that were illegally parked and he talked to a towing company to work out a plan for stolen cars and disabled cars to be towed. He informed the Council that there were suspicious people reported and kids were caught stealing beer from the store. He readdressed the stray dog issue and stated that there were a few break-ins on the outskirts of town. Sergeant Neally completed a traffic stop for a 140 MPH motorcycle. They also were able to help a suicidal resident and saved a life. He stated that the Police Department was donated a 2015 pickup truck with a cage and lights from County Sheriff. He stated that it would be great for capturing stray dogs. He stated that a lot of these dogs wander into town from outside farms. Chief Richards explained that the Council needed to help him train the citizens of Malin to call 911 instead of City Hall when they require the Police. He stated that if it is serious call 911! If it can be dealt with tomorrow, then call us on the Malin line.

Call 911 because it matters for crime and grant statistics, if you call City Hall, it is not coded the same. So he asked everyone to please spread the word to use 911 for emergencies. Chief Richards stated that you would not call the Basin Ambulance office if you're having a stroke so please don't call the office for 911 for emergencies.

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes of previous meeting

b. Current bills

A motion was made by Councilor Haywood, seconded by Councilor Bartholomew to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by Councilors Bartholomew, Haywood, Hernandez, Moore, Venegas and Zieg.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Well Update

Recorder Nunn stated that the well loan is on course and it is just taking time to get through the different offices of Business Oregon and that he was told they would contact him when it was ready.

Councilor Bartholomew stated that there is a projected 20% increase in all costs to build for the government every year from here on out and that the longer we wait to dig the well, the more it will cost.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Camping Ordinance

Mayor John Hughto stated that he has read Klamath Falls' and Ashland's camping ordinances as well as several others and he thinks that the first draft we have needs to be worked on in order to make it more detailed.


Alberto Espinoza	2511.60	138 Hrs Labor
Alan Nealy	2282.50	83 Hrs extra police
Dan Humphrey	2584.40	142 Hrs Labor
Denita Wolf	1743.72	122 Hrs Labor
Levi Clarey	630.00	23 Hrs extra police
Manuel Diaz	1575.00	70 Hrs extra police
Axon Enterprise	1,524.67	Police 1,524.67
B&D Mobile Support Ink	400.00	Car show port-a-potties
BioLynceus	7,421.55	Probiotic scrubber sewer
CANNON	27.64	Sewer-27.64

CenturyLink	312.70	GEN-135.45/ Airport-16.19/Police-54.19 Sewer-106.87
Cardmember services	2,390.91	Police-1,863.02/Sewer-153.95/Water-269.67General-104.27/Street-
Civil Eye	2,250.00	Police supplies
Ed Staub & Sons	1,413.88	Police-1,023.04/ Sewer-294.44/water-96.40
Kalina Hardware	369.61	Chall- Sewer-127.71Water-46.45/Street-195.45/Police- /AIRPORT-
Macys Flying Service Inc	1,038.11	Mosquito killer street
NIX Garage	962.00	Public works pickup repair
Norco	13.02	Supplies-13.02
Pacific Power	4,784.23	Water-3,669.19/ sewer-160.03/Rv park-300.95/ Chall-0/Airport-23.39/GEN-630.67
QTpod	1,195.00	General airport gas
Spring Street Analytical	50.00	Water Sewer -50.00
VERIZON	267.20	Police-267.20
Waste Management	227.19	Malin Shore-95.70 and RV Park dumpsters-131.49

Meeting Adjourned 8:37pm


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Recorder

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