



Harrisburg City Council Minutes August 16, 2017

The Harrisburg City Council met on this date at City Hall, located at 120 Smith St., at the hour of 6:30pm. Presiding was Mayor Robert Duncan. Also present were as follows:

- Mike Caughey
- Kimberly Downey
- Sarah Puls (Arrived at 6:33)
- John Loshbaugh
- Adam Keaton
- City Recorder/Asst. City Administrator Michele Eldridge
- Finance Officer Tim Gaines
- PW Director Chuck Scholz

Absent this evening were Councilor Robert Boese, and City Administrator Brian Latta.

Concerned Citizens in the Audience: Tony Koontz, Athletic Director for Harrisburg High School, (400 S. 9th St.) turned in a facility use form, and wanted to talk to the City Council about the use of the picnic tables. They hold their event, Eaglemania on September 22, 2017 this year. It's a highly attended community event. Historically, we've always used the picnic tables, which were requested through Tim, and PW would deliver the tables, and bring them back the next day. They don't have the type of vehicles that can transport the picnic tables, so he hopes that the city delivers them to us. He's being told that they need to pick up the tables now, and that the City needs a deposit on them as well.

- Mayor Duncan said that his vote, and what he'd like to see, is to allow them to use the tables, because they are an important part of the community. He equates the use of the picnic tables in that same category as a service to the community.
- Koontz said that they used to be brought to the dock, and the volunteers would take them from there to where they use it.
- Scholz said that the reasons why PW doesn't deliver any tables, is because they had difficulty doing their job because they had so many requests for them. The 4 groups could still use them, we just weren't delivering them. Another reason for why we made that decision was due to liability concerns with loading and unloading the tables, and also the wear and tear on the tables, that required staff time to repair.
- Gaines said that he knew we set a policy but doesn't like the policy due to lack of flexibility. He feels that with regards to the agencies that are approved to use the tables that we should consider delivering them. He wasn't sure when this went through Council,

but if he was more aware of it at the time, he would have gotten involved, and shared his opinions when the policy was being discussed. He agrees with them not being used by the general public, but when it comes to volunteers picking them up, he's a little concerned about our liability with that too.

- Downey didn't know what the PW schedule is like, but knowing about it way in advance should help with that, if they should allow them to do it. She felt that Brian should make the decision on it, because it was one of his policy changes as well, and we have the time because we are so far in advance of the event.
- Eldridge said it's actually a policy that went through Council.
- Scholz said that we also made that decision because we weren't a rental company. The City, school, museum, and fire board, are all allowed to rent the tables at no cost; that was the policy. However we simply shouldn't be involved in delivering them and picking them up.
- Koontz said that his program is largely ran by volunteers, and he thinks it's a good use of the city's tax dollars. We only request these once a year. The parents do so much for this program; that's what the event is about, our volunteers. He'd like give them this time off.
- Scholz reiterated that we were not worried about the property use, it's the staff time involved in delivering and picking up the tables.
- Koontz has 116 volunteers, so that's why this program is so important. It's not so different from you guys using the parking lot, for like the 4th of July. That takes a lot of coordination and time to allow. It's appreciated by the community, so we allow it.
- Scholz said that when we made the policy, they were being rented so much for private use, that we couldn't get our jobs done efficiently; however, their use has dramatically dropped off. We could talk about it.
- Loshbaugh said that before, other agencies or users of the tables would donate like \$100 to the city for use of the tables. That donation would allow us to repair the tables.
- Koontz added that they have facility use forms as well, for people using the building or school grounds. We generally don't charge the City or other groups like the fire department. The School Board made that decision, because of the community, and the community aspect.
- Eldridge said that we would talk about it as a management team and give a recommendation to Brian when he returns.

The matter of Approving the Consent List

- Loshbaugh **motioned to approve the consent list, and was seconded** by Downey. **The City Council then voted unanimously to approve the consent list. The actions of the City Council approved the following:**
 - **Payment of the July 2017 Bills**
 - **The Minutes of July 26, 2017**
 - **Information in regards to a Capital Outlay Purchase**

The matter of a Discussion with a Member of the Linn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO)

- Sergeant Greg Klein was present this evening. He stated that the big focus right now for LCSO was the eclipse, and everything it was going to bring to our area. Oregon was forecasted to receive up to a million additional people, and most of Linn County is in the path of totality. In addition, this weekend is the music festival, which is always a huge event that requires a lot of extra coverage. They were planning on having assistance from other counties that didn't weren't going to experience totality, and they also have assistance from the State of Washington. Sergeant Klein went on to say that all county facilities for RV's and camping are completely full, and there are no vacancies. Scio had an overflow area for 2,500 right now. They had Hamm radio operators ready to assist with emergency calls, the city and individuals could expect to not have cell phone coverage during most of the day.
- Mayor Duncan said that he was concerned about getting stuck at the intersection of Hwy 99 and LaSalle Streets. Can we move the stop lines on the road or patrol it more, or something? He related that they were trying to pull out to the south on the highway, but couldn't, because as they crept forward to try to see adequately, the vehicle next to them was doing the same.
- Downey said she had the same problem; she had also been there before when vehicles are pulled forward, and then have to try to back up, because a big truck wants to turn onto LaSalle St.
- Sergeant Klein recommended that if it wasn't an issue that needed more patrols, that they could talk to ODOT about that.
- Council reiterated how much they'd like to have a light installed at this intersection; with the problem being that ODOT doesn't feel that there have been enough wrecks there to warrant a traffic light. Everyone had the same experience that the Mayor had brought up with that intersection with the creeping vehicles.

Sergeant Klein returned to the results of the last LCSO report. Caughey was concerned that the results of the report showed only 28 traffic hours. The contract calls for 70 hours; he explained that was one of their talking points in the contract negotiations. Sergeant Klein said that he would look into it. There were 188 complaints/investigations that were instigated by LCSO. However, Puls noted that when she looked through the detail report, that there were over 60 hours of traffic showing on it. She wondered if it was just a glitch in the software that they were still working on. Klein thought that it was probable; he would check it out. Caughey then asked if he had the number and name for the Chairperson of the Neighborhood Watch in Harrisburg. Sergeant Klein said that he would find out and provide it for him. Everyone thanked him for bringing in the eclipse glasses, and

The matter of Approving Resolution No. 1170, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARRISBURG, LINN COUNTY, OREGON, CALLING A MEASURE ELECTION"

Staff Report: City Recorder/Asst. City Administrator Eldridge explained that this is the last step for the City Council to take in relation to the Referral. Once they choose the financing option for the bond, then the resolution would effectively direct the bond request to her as the Elections Clerk. Once she accepted the resolution and bond language, she would place an ad in the

Tribune News, and on-line on the City's website. That would effectively give the required time period for citizens to challenge the ballot title, which they would do through the Linn County Circuit Court. The deadline for that is 5:00 next Friday, August 25th. After the period has passed, she will then fill out an SEL802, and will submit that to the County Elections Clerk for certification. Her deadline is on September 7th, although she plans on heading that way on the 6th. After that point in time, it becomes an actual ballot measure. The language for the entire ballot measure will be on-line on the City website, so that citizens can see it.

Eldridge then took the City Council through the bond choices that they had available, explaining the four different options that they had. Both of the 40-year bonds are not recommended, because they are the most expensive of all the options, not to mention that most infrastructures have a life span that long. She also explained the differences between the level debt service options, and the level levy options. She indicated that the recommendation from staff was to choose option no. 2. On option no. 1, she did mention that another slight problem she sees is that in the language on the ballot, some people are going to focus on the \$1.44 average, rather than the fact that the levy starts out above \$2, and then trickles down to under a dollar. She pointed out that Latta had stated that there was a slight risk with option no. 2, due to possibilities of a year or two going below the 3% increase in assessed value, based on the last ten years actual numbers. However, she noted that the 3% increases shown in the assessed value assumption are based upon a static property tax base of those properties that are in the assessor's records right now. It doesn't account for growth. Because the City recently expanded the UGB, and there is a housing and rental shortage in our metro areas, there is a good chance that we will see growth in our residential base property taxes. To give another perspective to the City Council, the permit for Skip Tracer's newest warehouse will be 100% completed in the next month. The valuation on that warehouse is a little over \$1,000,000, which gets added to the city's existing tax base of \$208,444,273, as shown on the analysis worksheet. Mike Lefevre also is working on his latest building addition, which will add close to another \$1,000,000 in value.

- Gaines preferred the level levy as well, and the lower number of years. If we were to choose option 4, the first ten years of payments are purely interest payments. Also, in option 1, starting at a higher levy rate, and going lower, doesn't seem fair to people who currently live in the community. He likes the option 2 with the level levy the best.
- Keaton asked if we would have the same option to pay off the bond earlier than the 30 years that staff is recommending.
- Gaines deferred to Matt Donahue, who said that the City would have that option if desired; there is no penalty for pre-payment, but it would need to be after ten years.
- Keaton agreed that option 2 seems to be the better one, especially if our goal was to pay it off earlier.
- Other Council members agreed, and felt that Option No. 2 was the better option for the City.
- Caughey then **motioned to add the following language to Exhibit A of the proposed Resolution No. 1170 under the Ballot Summary. "The bonds may be issued in one or more series. Each series will mature in 31 years or less. This measure is estimated to result in a tax of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value per year, or**

approximately \$247 per year on a home assessed at \$165,000. Actual levy rates may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.” He was seconded by Keaton, and the City Council voted unanimously to add the proposed language to Resolution No. 1170.

- Caughey then motioned to approve Resolution No. 1170, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARRISBURG, LINN COUNTY, OREGON, CALLING A MEASURE ELECTION, AS AMENDED.” He was seconded by Loshbaugh, and the City Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 1170, and thereby calling a Measure Election for \$7.5 million dollars to be referred to the Harrisburg voters in the November General Election.
- Council thanked Matt Donahue for coming down to be available for them; Donahue related that Tim would be coming up in the following week to sign off on the other bond documents that the City is re-financing. The amount for the HRA Targeted Improvement loans would be a separate loan.

The matter of a Status Update on the Harrisburg Fire District Project

Fire Chief Report: Bart Griffith spoke about some of the challenges that they’ve had recently, and how the recent weather is not helping with fire control levels.

- Mayor Duncan thanked them because they had investigated the recent church fire that they had, and explained that it had burned up a fence, and some arborvitae, etc.
- Downey had a citizen’s question about response for an incident that occurred out on Powerline, near the county border. They (the farmers) were wondering, should they call somebody else? Luckily, everyone was taken care of. She wasn’t sure what happened.
- Griffith did know what happened in that incident, they didn’t have enough volunteers that time.
- Downey asked why didn’t it go to another agency? Wouldn’t dispatch put them through to someone if they get no answers?
- Chief Griffith told her that it did go to another agency. He explained how the backup system works. He said that it does happen on occasion, but it’s rare.
- Chief Griffith then said that they are finding out more information in relation to their own bond as of tomorrow. They’ve started some of the other actions they needed to do, such as partitioning off the property that belongs to Suzan Jackson. They hope to soon be able to actually purchase the land from the City; they then have to submit the land use request for the site plan. They’d like to start building in spring, on Feb 1st, but they also don’t want to work in mud, because that would increase the cost. The station is supposed to be finished by March 2019. It’s getting closer.

Council talked about the Camperdown Elm that would be removed; Chief Griffith talked about using the wood from it to create a keepsake; another station used the wood from a tree on their property as a conference table, as an example. Chief Griffith knew that they would be talking about passing the bond funding, and he would share some of what they had done. Puls thought news coverage would be useful. Chief Griffith said that’s how they did most of the work; they interviewed different people, and staggered press releases. They send out notices in both the Democrat Herald, the Register Guard and in the local paper. They sent out articles to be

printed, and spaced them out over time; they backdated from the election, and then timed out everything for one type of media to be released per week. They measured it, and always had something new coming out. Social media seemed to be key for them. They even tried to have the high school debate team in an open house, so they could debate the pros and cons of the bond, but something came up, and they couldn't get the kids together when it was needed. The main point was to educate the public. They did tape short videos, three different interviews that they put online. One was from a user, another from a volunteer, etc., so they could show opinions from different perspectives. He said one of the things that was positive for them, was the volunteer fire association. They were able to pay for what they needed. It was all paid for outside the fire board. Downey mentioned that our town hall, there was a woman who was skeptical, but who was enthused about it by the time she left. Chief Griffith said that they also had a committee, much like you are planning. We had community members, and volunteers; he basically did oversight. They did meetings, and had only two board members there, so they wouldn't have a quorum. The association reached out to everyone. As elected officials, you can do that as well.

Separately from their bond, he did relate that their water softener had the hose burst, and they basically had to get a new water heater, and replace a wall in his home. This is the 4th water heater they've replaced since 2005. It's been the dishwasher, washing machine, and other appliances. Caughey invited him to our future town halls to share that with people. Chief Griffith also noted that they had some parts on their fire engines that have had to be replaced sooner than normal, because of how the City water has broken them down more.

Eldridge related that they were going to talk about this at the end of the meeting, but Sarah Puls had heard about an incident that happened on Peoria Road. There was a crash there with one of Skip Tracers trucks, and it was reported to 911, but nobody reported it to the fire district. Mike Hurd happened to drive by, saw the wreck, and called down to the station to find out if they had been contacted; they hadn't been. When Latta followed up, he found that dispatch decided it wasn't an injury call, so they didn't call the fire district. We wanted to find out if you've been having problems with situations like this, and whether part of that is somewhat the RMS system. Chief Griffith said that just like anyone else, there will be issues and calls where something happens that's just sort of transpires that way. He knew that dispatch had been called, but they (dispatch) didn't think anyone had been injured, some of that was the person who contacted them, who didn't relate it as something that could have resulted in an injury. Puls said that the car was totaled, and Skip Tracers ended up directing traffic. The conversation between dispatch and the employee, was very non-emergency, so it sounded like a non-issue to them. Chief Griffith said it happens sometimes. Luckily, nobody was hurt in this one. After some conversation, Chief Griffith related that if you are in an accident, or helping someone out in a situation like this, if you say you have a Code Red, then dispatch will call them, even if it's a non-injury situation. Puls couldn't believe that the guy walked away from that. It looked like a horrible accident.

Chief Griffith said that they worked with the Linn County Sheriff's Office and other agencies quite a bit. As an example, the festival is this coming up weekend. It's Harrisburg turn on Saturday to spend 12 hours there, on alert for any accidents, or fire alerts, etc., He then talked about some of the upcoming eclipse issues. He'd heard about gas running short in places, so

they were recommending that everyone be prepared for loss of electricity, etc. Scholz said that was one of the reasons why they had backup generators.... we must be prepared for about anything. Chief Griffith said that it's amazing how much water people can go through, even if the electricity is out. Scholz said that we aren't doing anything special for the event. Chief Griffith asked if we had any kind of work arounds for the loss of cell service, which is another expected event during the eclipse. Eldridge said that we had the handheld radios that we used during the festival, but she didn't know the range for them; Chief Griffith asked if we still had the regular radio units we used to use in the City, and Scholz said that we did have the old base, and two of the units that we could use. Eldridge added that our FCC license is still valid, so we could use them. Chief Griffith said that they also had a few people as back up on Hamm radios. LCSO was also doing a mobile command unit that could be called up wherever needed.

Others:

Railroad Issues:

- Eldridge related that as Council knows, we occasionally have issues with the railroads, and unfortunately, with the slow line being worked on, we've had our attorney send a notice to the railroad that they are in violation of our franchise agreement, because they haven't submitted a traffic plan to us.
- Scholz added that they showed up, and told us that they were working on the lines. He explained that we talked about doing a design last year, and we do have a design in engineering, which is about 70% done. They said they are doing the work regardless, and its standard track 101. Brian and he spoke with them and told them it looks like you are going to do this however you want then. They've submitted no traffic plan, and no right of way permit, so our attorney, Jim sent them a notice, they finally gave us what they call plans; they aren't really anything that was engineering. They refused to do the right-of-way permit. Today, he had Lori send a notice that they were violating our noise ordinance. We'll continue to send them notices until this process is done.
- Puls asked if these were different people then the ones from last year, or the same?
- Scholz told her they were the same.
- Downey said that's what she felt like last year; that they had no intention of doing what we needed.
- Scholz commented that they came in to City Hall again, to say hey, this is our right of way, so we had to remind them again; no, it's the City right of way. We are not like most towns. He filed a complaint against them, and they also violated other conditions, because they didn't do a proper locate; his phone just went off because they just sliced through a communication line. He will get together with Jim at the end of this, to go over what they are doing. We need to have schematics; and he doesn't know what they are using to fix anything, it could be the cheapest stuff on the planet.
- Downey said that she noticed that what they were setting up.
- Scholz said that you have to remember that 3 or 4 years from now, their franchise is up. We have letters in file, from Bruce, Tim, Brian, himself; all being ignored. We talked to the foreman, and he had no intention of doing what we talked about last year.

Before the City Council started their conversation about the water bond campaign, it was decided to recess to hold the HRA Board meeting, as we have an applicant in the Council Chambers.

- **Caughey motioned to recess the City Council meeting in order to hold the HRA Board meeting, and was seconded by Downey. The City Council then voted unanimously to recess the City Council Board Meeting.**

The City Council recessed at the hour of 8:05pm in order to hold the HRA Board meeting.

The City Council resumed its meeting at the hour of 8:10pm

Other:

Water Bond Support Committee:

- Caughey said that because we hadn't really done much in relation to the campaign, he took the bull by the horns, and wants to get this campaign going, and to get information out ASAP. He had contacted Alesha already, who is the person who handled all the social media information for the fire department. She is already at work setting up a Facebook page for us. He's invited people to join the committee who know a lot of people, and have a lot of influence. He wanted to get signs, and have people go door to door. We want posters in local businesses, and a flyer that we can put up in places. He said Kay and he could probably do the posters and flyers. The big concern is how to finance the funds we need. He's done some pricing on the signs, and they aren't as expensive as we thought. He found out that LBCC has a printing press and department, and the cost is less than most places, and they tend to be quick. He filed with the Secretary of State's office, and someone there directed him to sign up as an Independent Expenditure Filer. Technically, what he needed was to sign up as a Political Action Committee, so the work he had already done was wasted. A PAC isn't active until the actual measure is certified by the County. Once that starts, then they will need a minimum of two people who will need to file a Statement of Organization with the state, and who will need to establish a bank account. He has now read the manual in its entirety. His biggest concern is where will we get the funds from? Eldridge has some suggestions on that and will share them. Signs were probably \$4 to \$4.50; so 100 of them will cost \$450.

Caughey continued, saying that because he is gone in September, he's worried about the steps that need to get done, since they can't be completed until the measure is certified. Someone else will need to take care of this, not to mention that we need to start working on the September town hall meetings; the city can no longer oversee this. Mayor Duncan asked when the measure was being certified again, and Eldridge told him it was on September 6th that she planned on taking up the ballot measure for filing. She continued and said that we needed to confirm the meetings in September which are currently scheduled for the 14th and 28th, plus we need to decide where those will be held. The City has to be very careful about what it does in relation to the water bonds, because there are limited things we can do. For instance, before

and after certification, she'll be able to advertise town hall meetings, when they are ran by Council members, but the City is otherwise restricted on what we can say and do to be factual only. We've also ordered signs advertising the meetings, that will go on busy streets where people may not see a reader board. She had sent a question to the Secretary of States (SOS) offices, election division, on what kind of supplies the City could buy prior to certification of the measure. She was sent a series of questions that concerned her, in relation to what we can and can't do. She spent most of yesterday working with the Elections Division, and had to submit the flyer that we had planned on sending out with the utility bills for their approval, for review under safe harbor standards. She was told that we absolutely can't refer to any political action committees, or any campaigns on City media whatsoever, so we had to remove the 'fixourwater2017@gmail.com' from the flyers we were sending out. Luckily, the City Council does not have any restrictions on what they can do.

The Elections Division is essentially giving her information that we should remove any advocacy materials on the bond materials, such as 'vote yes'. She has asked several times, and has yet to receive a definitive answer that confirms that yes, or no, the City can advocate as you'd like **prior** to certification. One of the more important things the election division is making sure we do, is to balance everything out. If you are talking about what the bond will provide in terms of infrastructure, you have to balance that with a reminder of how much that will cost the taxpayers. There is also balance required with what we allow, for instance, if they allow us to purchase supplies for the campaign, then that means if someone from the school came over and asked when they were promoting their bond, then we'd have to do the same for them.

So, to be safe for now, she has revised the PowerPoint program, and she's scrubbed some of the flyers we did previously. We do have a flyer that we are handing out this weekend, and she walked through how the garage sale flyer promotion was going to work. She had broken down the city by zones and would have people going to all the sales in the zones, where they would hand out the flyers and talk to people. Mike & Kay are going to do that, and she's asked others on the committee to do that as well. If any of the councilors would like to join Mike, she can set them up. Downey said that she's having a garage sale, so she will hand out flyers to the people shopping at her sale. Eldridge said that she had a specific flyer that she was sending out in the utility bill, but the deadline for that is tomorrow at noon. If the SOS Elections office doesn't get back to her prior to the deadline, then we'll need to do a bulk mailing instead. We will definitely have something going out to the citizens by the 30th. (SOS Elections had started out with 'we will give you an answer within a day', to the 5 days that they are allowed to review materials. Every response so far has been coming to her in 5 day intervals.... She's had 5 pages of emails with them so far.) As soon as they answer the question about us buying materials for the campaign, then she'll get that taken care of as well. If the flyer she's submitted doesn't get back to her in time, she'll send out a different one, and the flyer that passes Safe Harbor, will get mailed out in September instead. We also have the meeting next week; which staff is still allowed to run.

Council talked about some strategies to use in promoting the campaign; one of those that was suggested as needing changes was the 18,500' of water line with a figure that's easier to imagine, such as 3.5 miles. In addition, Eldridge said that Caughey had suggested we change the 36% figure for utility bills, to the water portion of your utility bills instead. Otherwise,

we have people looking at the entire bill, instead of just the water portion of it. Fundraising is one of the big concerns from Caughey; Eldridge suggested that they go to the area businesses, especially those that rely on the water, such as the restaurants, and other places like EZ Stop. Grassroot efforts don't cost much, so don't knock going door to door to talk to people. You have standard fundraising 101, if you'd like to do that. You could even have everyone at an event throwing in \$10 for the good of the cause. Keaton said that you do have to keep track of expenditures, and Eldridge said that she and Caughey had gone over that. Caughey knew that we had to keep track, but didn't have to report until reaching \$750.

Council was frustrated that they saw other districts and groups, including some of those that Brian had talked about, going out and campaigning, and not getting in trouble for it. Puls pointed out some of the things that Central Linn had done. Eldridge said that as the city, who helps to run the elections, we should be above what other special districts had done. She related again for them how she wasn't allowed to distribute the fire district flyer previously, when they were in campaign mode. One of the strategies that the committee should have, is to use other groups events as a place where you campaign. For instance, go to churches, or go to a school board meeting. She encourages Council to get other people to sign up to be on the committee. We also need Council to decide where the meetings in September should be held at, and who is going to lead those. It was decided to hold those at the Justice Center, since two meetings had been there. Sarah Puls said that she could help lead those meetings; Downey was also available for one, as was Mayor Duncan. The Council decided that they would like to combine the Town Hall on the 28th with the Crime Forum, because we might get some cross action going from those two events. Eldridge suggested some other things that they could do, such as ice cream socials, or have coffee with a Councilor, etc.

Puls asked about the water trailers. Were we going to be able to do that? Eldridge said that Scholz was having problems getting the water trailers scheduled. When he comes back in, he can relate what he's doing...she hoped that perhaps we could say that it was part of the water study contract, rather than relating it to the campaign. Downey was worried about running the town hall, but Eldridge said that the committee can fill out the facility use form, and check out the equipment, and the City is allowed to help with the equipment, etc., as long as we aren't advocating or leading the meetings. Scholz had returned by then, and said that he was having a tough time trying to get water trailer companies to respond. He had checked with 3 companies, two of which had no openings prior to November. The problem is how they would set up the water trailer, because it's a proprietary issue. They may not be able to get the same results as the first water trailer, and we didn't want to represent that as being what people get, and then not being able to reproduce it. Also, the cost was extremely expensive. He had been told that the cost was roughly around \$2,500 for bringing the trailer. The Council would like them to be there, but Scholz wasn't sure he could get any results by the next meeting, not to mention that the \$2,500 was also extremely expensive.

Eldridge suggested changing some of the days and times for future meetings as you go into September and October. For instance, she suggested that they hold a meeting on a Saturday, or another in the morning. Keaton asked when the next museum meeting was, Scholz said they would not meet again until September. Puls said that the churches were a good idea. Mayor Duncan thought that perhaps participation was low at the town halls we've

held already, because most people were enthused about the changes we were trying to make. Everyone he's talked to has said that they are excited. They don't care what it costs, they are willing to spend it. The only problem he has with some of the meetings is that all you need is one grumpy person at a meeting to sour it for other people. They talked about how the one person spoke out at the first town hall, but Latta was able to get her on-board, and happy with the changes. Puls was a fan of going to other people's meetings, and speaking for just a minute or five minutes. You didn't need to have an actual presentation like we did at town halls. Eaglemania was suggested as a good platform; Mayor Duncan said that he'd be good with doing that. Puls laughingly said that there is the support for the city to bring the picnic tables for certain! She asked how we could get other people involved. Downey said that she could use the radio for the football games; she could interview council members. Eldridge said that she wouldn't suggest the Chamber of Commerce meetings; she uses that for other promotions, but she wasn't sure how many Harrisburg people are there.

Caughey liked the suggestion to write articles in the paper. Eldridge said that the Tribune News was rather desperate for materials for the newspaper. You could write successive articles for the paper, and interview people there too. She suggested that Council could also write the editors of the bigger papers, so that people can see that. Puls wanted that Social Media component, and Caughey said that Alesha will get Facebook up and running quickly. He also shared the email and password for it, so that everyone could use it. Mayor Duncan liked the idea of getting some of the restaurants to help sponsor the campaign. The Council then all started strategizing and making suggestions at once.

Being there no further business, Mayor Duncan adjourned the City Council meeting at 9:05pm.

Mayor

City Recorder