



Harrisburg City Council
Minutes of July 23, 2014

The Harrisburg City Council met on this date at City Hall, located at 120 Smith St, at the hour of 6:30PM. Mayor Robert Duncan presided. Present were the following:

- Kimberly Downey
- Sarah Puls
- Don Shipley
- Roger Raven
- Rob Boese
- Mike Caughey
- Councilor Candidate, Steve Francalancia
- City Administrator Brian Latta
- Minute-taker, Robin Adair

The matter of Approving an Out of State Travel Request by Finance Officer Tim Gaines

Staff Report: Latta said Gaines would be attending a class through Caselle Inc. Software, to learn a new modular for Backflow Monitoring. This class is in Arizona. Gaines has a \$400 voucher towards trip and there is money budgeted for Professional Development.

- Shipley **motioned to Approve the Out of State Travel Expense for Tim Gaines to Attend the Caselle Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.** Caughey **seconded the motion, which then passed unanimously.**

The matter of Discussing Whether or Not to Become a Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) City; Approving a Resolution Setting Forth Harrisburg's Commitment to Put Health Options Within Reach of All Residents

Staff Report: The Healthy Eating Active Living campaign is a partnership between the League of Oregon Cities and the Oregon Public Health Institute. People make healthier choices when healthy options are accessible, affordable and convenient. The City has already adopted some of the HEAL policies which need to be implemented.

Becoming a HEAL City would allow the City to take advantage of the services and grants available through the HEAL campaign. Sixteen cities throughout the state are part of the campaign. To become a HEAL City, the Council needs to pass a resolution indicating their intent to work with HEAL staff to adopt and implement HEAL policies in our community.

Boese asked if there are meetings people can attend and Latta said they would come onsite and do training for us if we would like them to. They do not have regular monthly meetings. The training would be free. Puls then asked if grants could be used for pedestrian crossings

and traffic improvements and Latta said the grant could be used for anything on the list. They have a 50% match requirement. He added that we have no obligation if we do adopt this. We would just need to come back before City Council in 180-days.

Caughey said he likes the idea of having safer passageways for kids to get to and from school. He also likes the idea of a community garden. Mayor Duncan expressed concern that we may be told “what to do” from up north and thought we should pass on this. He does not like some of the wording within the document for healthy food options. Mayor Duncan said for the record we need to keep an eye on this kind of stuff as Councilors. It is not our job to encourage an organic grocery store to come into Harrisburg. Latta said we have three weeks before the grant is due. Downey asked why someone didn’t come and talk to us on this subject and Latta said because it was very last minute but they will come in and talk to us. He added that the policies read by Mayor Duncan are just suggested policies and we do not have to use them. Latta added we could wait to do this until next year if we like.

- **Puls motioned to Approve Resolution NO. 1089. “A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH HARRISBURG’S COMMITMENT TO PUT HEALTH OPTIONS WITHIN REACH OF ALL RESIDENTS.”** Caughey **seconded this motion, which passed with a 4-2 vote.**

The matter of Appointing and Ratifying Steve Francalancia as a City Councilor, Filling a Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Roger Raven

Staff Report: Latta recapped that after 12 years of governmental service that Councilor Roger Raven is moving away, and will no longer be eligible to be a Councilor.

- Mayor Duncan and Councilors all spoke of the pleasure and appreciation they had working with Raven. Mayor Duncan thanked Raven for his services.
- *Mayor Duncan said he would like to appoint Steve Francalancia to the City Council for the remainder of Roger Raven’s term, which is Dec 31, 2014.*
- **Downey motioned to Ratify the Appointment of Steve Francalancia to the City Council to the term held by Roger Raven.** Shipley **seconded this motion, which then passed unanimously.**
- In the absence of the City Recorder, Mayor Duncan swore in Steve Francalancia. Mr. Francalancia accepted the oath and position of City Councilor.

Others:

1. Latta spoke of recruitment for the Director of Public Works. The process is going well and he said he does have a recommendation for City Council. Latta asked if Councilors if they would like to discuss this in this in an open meeting since he missed the timeframe for an Executive Session; it was decided to come back and discuss it in an Executive Session. The Executive Session meeting will be this Friday at 6:00PM.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 7:14PM

A concerned audience member said she did not get a chance to speak and Mayor Duncan said he asked if there were any concerned citizens in the audience at the opening of the meeting. The citizen said she did not hear him say that.

Mayor Duncan re-opened the meeting at the hour of 7:16PM. All Councilors were still in attendance with the exception of Mr. Raven who stepped down after being replaced by Councilor Francalancia.

Citizen Jim and Bev Kirk, 575 South 2nd. Mr. Kirk spoke of excessive speeds car were driving around Fountain and Second St. He said it is especially bad in the morning and evening when people are going to and from work. He has seen two children almost hit and has witnessed cars racing. He previously talked to Cleeton three times on the matter and was told that the City Council does not like to hand out speed citations. He has also spoken with the sheriff. Mr. Kirk would like to see a stop sign put in and is willing to help with the cost of this.

- Latta said this topic would go to the Public Works.
- Mayor Duncan said he would like Public Works to work on getting these signs up in the next month.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 7:40PM.

Mayor

City Recorder