City of Fossil Jeanne Burch Building February 13th, 2024

Mayor Hunt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Chad Macomber, Cindy Burlingame, Julie Knox-Lyon, Carol MacInnes.

Staff Present: Lea Moyer, Bill Potter,

Community Present: Alex Logan, Jen Homer, Debbie Bunch.

Approve/Amendments to Agenda:

Councilor Macomber made a motion to approve the consent calendar as amended adding New business: Ambulance rates, Old Business: Kendall Derby- Industrial Lot, removing ASR approve/deny bid, and table Wheeler county purchase agreement. Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote (Aye: Councilor MacInnes, Councilor Macomber, Councilor Knox-Lyon, Councilor Burlingame).

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

Anderson-Perry Project Update: The ASR bids came in and the City is \$527,000 short for the project. The City has \$146,000 that was originally allotted for the aerators but due to the shortfall the city may use the funds for the project. Councilor MacInnes made the proposal that if the city cannot obtain additional funding for the project that the \$10,000 dedicated to the splash pad be directed to the ASR project. The City of Fossil may potentially be looking at a water increase and reduction of allotted water usage from 10,000 gallons to 7,500 gallons. The city has 60 days to approve or decline a bid.

Planning Committee Updates: Please see Action Items.

Ordinance 417A: Tabled.

Metal Business signs: Mayor Hunt presented the sign samples. It was requested by the council for businesses to review and approve. Councilor MacInnes made a suggestion for businesses to add a telephone number.

Region 9 League of Oregon Cities Meeting: Lea provided quotes from Sally Potter, The Royal Stag, & Brenda's Blessings for the region 9 League of Oregon Cities Meeting. Councilor Macomber made a motion to approve The Royal Stag for the region 9 meeting depending on if a minimum is required at \$12.00 per person, Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote (Aye: Councilor MacInnes, Councilor Macomber, Councilor Knox-Lyon, Councilor Burlingame).

NEW BUSINESS:

Parks Grant: Jen Homer & Alex Logan are applying for a grant for the City of Fossil parks. They are currently looking at a Jurassic themed Park. The Jurassic theme would possibly obtain a walk trail, bump park, historical kiosk, and a splash pad. They are currently reaching out to the company who did the Fossil Grade school playground. They have a grant writing resource at no additional cost to better assist in finding funding for this project. Councilor Macomber made a motion to move forward with the parks grant, Councilor MacInnes seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote (Aye: Councilor MacInnes,

Councilor Macomber, Councilor Knox-Lyon, Councilor Burlingame). Councilor Burlingame would like to say thank you to Alex Logan and Jen Homer for applying for the grant.

Lift Station 2 Pump Problems: The lift station currently has two pumps failing. The cost to temporary repair one pump is \$3300. This City of Fossil will need to replace the pumps.

Industrial Zoning Amendment: The City of Fossil has two zoning text amendment changes. The first text amendment was a suggestion made by Matt Davis regarding Noise, Odor, dust in the industrial park. The second text amendment is the temporary lodging for the rv park in the industrial park. The consensus is that Bill may move forward with planning to adjust these text amendments.

Ambulance Rates: Danielle with Jefferson County suggested the city increase the ambulance rates. Due to our rural location the city could receive a bigger amount due to our location Councilor MacInnes made a motion to raise the ambulance rates as presented, Councilor Knox-Lyon seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote (Aye: Councilor MacInnes, Councilor Macomber, Councilor Knox-Lyon, Councilor Burlingame).

Debbie Bunch- Watershed Council: Debbie Bunch gave an introduction to the watershed council and will be reaching out to Bill Potter in to ways they can better assist the City of Fossil.

Display Board/Letter of Support: Mayor Hunt is seeking funding opportunities for a 3' x 5' display board from the Ford Family Foundation, Fossil School District, and Wheeler County Court. Mayor Hunt is seeking community support and businesses support in signing a letter that you support this project.

Kendall Derby- Industrial Lot: Due to the City of Fossil unable to receive payment. The City of Fossil will reach out to the attorney to request a 10-day payment letter to send to Mr. Derby.

ACTION ITEMS:

Adjusted Journal Entries July, 2023 - January, 2024: Councilor MacInnes made a motion to approve the adjusted journal entries from July, 2023 to January, 2024, Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote (Aye: Councilor MacInnes, Councilor Macomber, Councilor Knox-Lyon, Councilor Burlingame).

REPORTS:

Councilor Macomber: Due to the lack of quorum the Fossil Library Board could not obtain a meeting. The library is still waiting to hear back in regards to the OCF Grant. Two applicants applied for the Library Director position.

Councilor Burlingame: Councilor Burlingame attended her first ambulance board meeting. During her first board meeting we discussed the potential proposal to the health district on training EMTS.

Councilor Knox-Lyon: No update.

Councilor MacInnes: I will be attending the Congressional City Day in DC for the March City Council Meeting. The City of Fossil was recognized during the Hudd Housing speech.

Mayor Hunt: Mayor Hunt attended the Oregon Paleo Lands Institute strategic planning meeting.

Public Works: The City of Fossil will begin to irrigate before April 1st which is allowed irrigating times. The city did have a backed-up sewer main on Rutledge. Eddie and Bill will both be attending short school April 8th- 10th.

City Recorder: Lea received the League of Oregon Cities scholarship which will cover two nights lodging and the registration cost.

Ordinance Officer: No report.

COMMUNITY ISSUES/CONCERNS:

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.

March 14 , 2024

Approved

Terri Hunt, Mayor

Lea Moyer, City Recorder b

