

**CITY OF TOLEDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

MAYOR STEVE DOBOSH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT THE TOLEDO SENIOR CENTER. THE MEETING WAS ALSO TELEVISED LIVE ON YOU TUBE. THE FLAG SALUTE WAS LED BY MAYOR DOBOSH.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emily Morgan, Gary Reboin, Michelle (Shelly) Thomas, and Ron Neumann.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Michelle Whitten, City Clerk/Treasurer; John Brockmueller, Police Chief; Mike Fisher, Public Works Superintendent; Sam Patrick, Police Sgt, and Deavon Jacobson, Clerk's Assistant.

ABSENT: Glenda Forga.

GUESTS: Kelly Johnson Smith, Eric Hayes and Cindy Samco.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2021. Emily motioned to approve the consent agenda; Gary seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Steve Dobosh – Mayor: Nothing to report.

Mike Fisher – Public Works: The meter project is still moving along but at a much slower pace. Fire Mountain is ready for receiving our bio solids which are going to Onalaska. They will start hauling tomorrow. The locks at the boat launch are failing and ABC Locksmith are coming tomorrow.

John Brockmueller – Police Department: Stat sheets for the month are in packets. Operations are normal. Emily asked how the new car was, John responded that Sam seems to like it. Council commented that they have really appreciated John's service to the community.

Michelle Whitten– City Clerk/Treasurer: The meeting regarding District Court contract went well and they will be sending a revised contract. In the packets is a letter written to the Food Bank board regarding the condition the area is in and need to clean it up inside the building and outside. We will have a small luncheon on Thursday September 30th for Johns last day at City Hall.

Special Presentation – Kelly Johnson Smith -Housing Summit: Kelly went through a Power Point Presentation regarding the upcoming Housing Summit and the housing crisis in Lewis County. They are asking that one to two elected or appointed officials participate and one staff if available. Emily Morgan and Eric Hayes volunteered. Eric is the Planning Commission Chair.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appoint Police Chief. Mayor Dobosh made the recommendation to fill the Police Chief position with Sargeant Sam Patrick. Emily motioned to approve the mayor’s recommendation of Sam Patrick; Gary seconded. Ron had concern if he will be receiving a pay increase. Michelle said that he would move into the Chief position on October 1st and receive the Chief pay. Motion carried unanimously.

Liquor License Renewal – Chimi’s Mexican Restaurant. Emily motioned to approve the liquor license; Shelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mobile Food Vending Requirements. Michelle explained the paperwork that the Planning Commission had worked on and recommending the City Council. Eric added that the thought is possibly having a Food Cart Day like they are doing in Lewis County by the Fairgrounds. This could be held maybe on a Sunday when businesses are closed on Ramsey Way and the street can be shut down. Michelle also mentioned that there will be a few parking spaces that could be rented out for a Food Truck and the street would not be shut down. Ron thinks it’s a great starting point. Gary motioned to go forward with the Ordinance and use this information, Ron seconded. Motion carried.

Park Attendant. Mayor started with his concern of the health of the current park attendant and does not know if he can physically do the job. Michelle said that we have had many complaints of the condition of the park. The public works is having to do more in the park due to the park host inability to physically do the job. The City had to hire someone to come in and clean during Blue Grass Festival which cost \$450.00. The Park Board is working on an updated contract. Emily said we need to try and take our emotions out of the process and do what is best for him and the city. Ron suggested the mayor talk with Ric about moving to an alternative location, let him know we thank him for his years of service. Ron also said let Ric give us a timeline of when he can be moved out, if he does not by the next council meeting then Council will give him a deadline.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 766 – Amending Toledo Land Development Code – Second Reading. Ron motioned to accept Ordinance No. 766; Emily seconded. Motion carried. Mayor read by title.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

COVID-19. Commissioner Stamper is still fighting COVID and in the hospital. Ron commented that he is currently in Idaho where the majority of cases in the hospital are children.

PUBLIC: Andrew Dutton of 122 Twin Peaks Drive, Toledo, WA would like Council to consider making Toledo a constitution sanctuary and not support the unconstitutional mandates. He also asked about the industrial development along I-5. This is in the county and Toledo does not have any jurisdiction over it.

ADJOURNMENT: Emily made a motion to adjourn, Gary seconded. Motion carried.

These minutes are not verbatim. If so desired, a recording of this meeting is on file and can be heard.

Steve Dobosh – Mayor

Michelle Whitten – City Clerk