



**Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 18, 2020
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Edison called to order the Special Meeting of the Banks City Council at 4:02 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Pete Edison, Marsha Kirk, Mark Gregg

Present by phone: Stephanie Jones, Michael Nelson, Erica Harold-Heine

Excused: Mike Lyda

Staff present: City Manager Jolynn Becker, City Recorder Angie Lanter

Staff present by phone: City Attorney Daniel Kearns

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS – None

BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Shall the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2020-08, a Resolution Declaring an Emergency Pursuant to BCO Chapter 38, and ORS 401.309, and Authorizing the City Manager to Respond as Appropriate to the Public Health Hazard Conditions Associated with the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic.

City Attorney Daniel Kearns gave an overview of what has been currently happening at the Federal and State levels, and the reasoning behind why other cities are Declaring a State of Emergency. He reviewed the pro's and con's of Declaring a State of Emergency.

Mayor Edison stated that he saw two reasons to adopt the Resolution. On a political side it shows that the City is banding together with our county and our fellow cities and showing our citizens that we are taking action and being proactive. The second reason is that it gets us in line for possible funding from the Federal, State and County levels. Councilor Gregg added that it could assist with possible FEMA funding if necessary.

Councilor Nelson expressed concern with the wording of Section 2a of the Resolution, which addressed establishing a curfew. Mayor Edison pointed out that we were not establishing a curfew at this time. The Resolution was laying out all of the situations that could arise that would need to be addressed. Councilor Gregg added that this would give the City a mechanism to implement if necessary, and the Council were not able to convene. Councilor Kirk agreed that it was a good idea to have something in place, in the event we do need assistance in the city.

Attorney Kearns pointed out that all of Section 2 was worded as “if necessary”, and the list of items under Section 2 came out of Chapter 38 of the Banks Code of Ordinances.

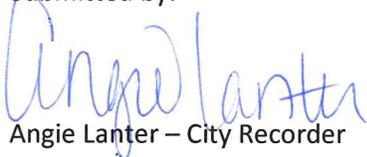
Councilor Gregg asked if the Resolution could be amended to state that the “City Manager would exercise the directives and authority granted herein in consultation with the Mayor or the Council President if the Mayor is unavailable”. Councilor Nelson stated that he would be comfortable with the amendment proposed by Councilor Gregg.

Councilor Gregg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2020-08, a Resolution Declaring an Emergency Pursuant to BCO Chapter 38, and ORS 401.309, and Authorizing the City Manager to Respond as Appropriate to the Public Health Hazard Conditions Associated with the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic, with the amendments as discussed. Councilor Harold-Heine seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. Ayes: Kirk, Jones, Nelson, Harold-Heine, Gregg; Nays: None.

Councilor Gregg wanted to remind Council of their role, and

ADJOURN The meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Submitted by:


Angie Lanter – City Recorder