

CITY OF SUMPTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 27, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 4:01PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Linda Wise, Councilors Charlie Briscoe, Marsha Demaris, Sherry Brandt, Darold Smith

VISITORS:

John Young, Skip Duffin, Matt Armstrong, Sheryl Sheller, Jon Patterson, Rebecca Patterson, Kurt Clarke

APPROVED MINUTES

MSP: To accept the May 13, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes. **Councilor Brandt/Councilor Demaris. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**

MSP: To accept the May 13, 2025, Workshop Minutes. **Councilor Demaris/Councilor Smith. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**

REPORTS

Fire Department (SVFD) Kurt Clarke: Thanked the volunteer FD for their work. They had three medical calls, one illegal bonfire. Oregon State Forestry conducted wildland refresher course training the prior week.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Wright House: Reading of **Resolution 439-25** by Mayor Wise. **MSP:** To approve **Resolution 439-25**. **Councilor Smith/Councilor Demaris. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approved.**
- b. Zoning: Mill St Workshop. **MSP:** To accept zoning permit for 214 Mill St. **Councilor Demaris/Councilor Brandt. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**

- c. Zoning: Lot 1000 address assignment: Proposed address of 675 Ajax. **MSP**: To assign 675 Ajax. **Councilor Brandt/Councilor Smith. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**
- d. Zoning: Lot 403 address assignment and schedule public hearing. Proposed address of 665 Park St. Park Street was never vacated. Parcel is not landlocked. Conditional Use public hearing will be scheduled for the next City Council Meeting. **MSP**: To assign 665 Park St. **Councilor Smith/Councilor Brandt. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**
- e. Zoning: Lot 1200 Ajax parcel 8-10 address assignments. Needs to get individual tax lot numbers for parcel 8, 9, 10. Needs to go back to county to get proper documentation for partition. A previous survey was done, but it was never registered. Tabled topic until all proper paperwork has been completed.
- f. Zoning: Address Correction 834 Park St., County Assessor has 834 Park St, utility company and city map list as 835, and city accounting listed as 815. **MSP**: To correct the address to reflect 835 Park St. **Councilor Smith/Councilor Brandt. Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith voted to approve.**

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Cemetery: Matt Armstrong- Advised one grant deadline was missed, which was for the fencing. Terry Valentine and the team have made considerable progress to where plots will be able to be set soon.
- b. Volunteer Park: Matt Armstrong- In previous meetings, the council was advised that permits may be needed for the creek rehabilitation. Matt spoke with the inspector and if it is less than 50 yds of ground moved no permit is required. So, the city can move forward with the creek rehabilitation for the project.
- c. Resilience Hub: Matt Armstrong-Community Center/Generator. We received the contract and will have the city attorney review it before it is signed and submitted.
- d. T-MOBILE Hometown Grant: Matt Armstrong-It is a quarterly application and suggested that we wait until 3rd or 4th Q to apply to utilize the period properly.

COUNCILOR COMMENT

Mayor Wise: Flea Market had a large turnout. We have a dust issue up at the Event Ground parking lot. This topic will be added to the next council meeting agenda. Dust abatement bill was half what it was in prior years.

Councilor Briscoe: Pine needle debris against the library. Need to have this removed as it poses a fire hazard.

No other Councilor comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Young: Would like to use the north and south side of the library and the front lawn of the Wright House for the Fourth of July Ren Faire. Will move this topic to the following council meeting agenda.

AJOURNMENT: 4:33 PM

MSP: To Adjourn **Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris Mayor Wise, Councilors Briscoe, Demaris, Brandt, Smith** voted to approve.

Approved by the City Council this 10 day of June, 2025.

Approved: 

Attested: 