## CITY OF LYNDON CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Mayor Brent Hagan called the Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those present: Susan Barto, Becky Ricketts, Mardy Sidebottom, Vicki Stanley and City Attorney, John Singler. Lyndon Police Chief and several guests were also present. Council members, Jenny Benner, Carla Nalley and Amy Stuber were absent.

The Mayor introduced Aida Copic, Director of Planning with TARC, who spoke about changes in the transit system. She explained TARC is suffering from a financial deficit of \$30M and they are forced to cut budgets and redesign future plans. Ms. Copic is meeting with community leaders in efforts to develop strategies that meet their community's needs and provide information on each concept for short and long-term plans. She encouraged citizens to take a survey and left her contact information for communication. Council members, Mayor and Police Chief asked a few questions and discussion was held.

Mayor Hagan reminded council the second reading of Ordinance #8-26-24 regarding the revisions of the Land Development Code pertaining to medical cannabis. City Attorney, John Singler, said he will have the updated Ordinance document this week for council with the changes made at August Council meeting. The Mayor also informed council of another document for approval will be on the agenda to surplus an old in car radar unit to give to the City of Bancroft's Police Department. He also mentioned Bancroft's Chief has been successful at uncovering fraudulent temporary tags bought on the black market and may sometimes be seen in our area conducting traffic stops.

Mayor Hagan was pleased to announce all permits for Ormsby Lane widening project have officially been approved. All fees have been paid and hopefully will be able to start in October. Mayor said he will meet with Lyndon Lakes residents prior to start date and signs will be placed on the road to inform motorists.

The upcoming newsletter articles were discussed. One past topic prompted Chief Schroeder to announce he and other officers met with Magnolia Springs residents about preventing scams against seniors. The Mayor updated council on Police Headquarters progress. The building was gutted and framed all in about 3 days so contractors are moving quickly. Tentative completion date is March of next year. Discussion was held about the leftover playground equipment.

Mayor Hagan announced the Fall Festival is October 6<sup>th</sup> from 2pm-6pm. The Crashers will take the stage at 4pm. 100 maple trees will be given away, bouncy houses and games will be available for kids and should have pumpkins for sale.

A few more topics were discussed. Becky Ricketts asked about maintenance department employees. Mayor stated he is still mowing on Thursdays and will work on hiring full-time worker for spring season. Ms. Ricketts also inquired about city's annual audit. Mayor let her know Sonya, City Treasurer, has been preparing and once the report is available to the city, it will

be on agenda for approval, usually in October or November. Resident Sharon Morris asked about the status of the budget regulating police. Mayor Hagan informed her the city is operating under the original budget passed in June and there is no change. A comment was made by resident Tim Hawkins about previous topic of scam calls. He suggested using silence mode on phones.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Brent Hagan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stacey Woodward, City Clerk