

**COTTAGE GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 26, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Greg Ervin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

City Recorder Mindy Roberts called the roll. The following were

PRESENT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS: Councilors Alex Dreher, Greg Ervin, Mike Fleck, Dana Merryday, Chalice Savage and Jon Stinnett

PRESENT VIA GOTOMEETING:

COUNCIL ABSENT: Mayor Candace Solesbee

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE: Kassidy Poetzl

STAFF PRESENT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS: City Manager Richard Meyers, Assistant to the City Manager Jake Boone, City Recorder Mindy Roberts, Public Works & Development Director Faye Stewart, Finance Director Roberta Likens, Interim Police Chief Jeff Groth and City Planner Eric Mongan

STAFF PRESENT VIA GOTOMEETING:

CITY ATTORNEY:

MEDIA PRESENT: KNND

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA

Council President Greg Ervin announced an item to be added to the agenda and read the title of the resolution to Council.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADD THE ITEM TO THE AGENDA.

Councilor President announced the motion with a second and called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Council President announced motion carried.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC HEARING

(a) Public Hearing for Proposed Supplemental Budget

Finance Director Roberta Likens informed Council that there is a need to budget for costs that were unknown at the time the original budget was adopted and it is required to hold a public hearing. She outlined what the proposed supplemental budget would include.

Council President Greg Ervin opened the public hearing at 7:06 pm.

No comments were made. Council President closed the public hearing at 7:07 pm

(b) Public Hearing on Proposed Uses of State Shared Revenues

Finance Director Roberta Likens informed Council that State law requires two public hearings be held on the proposed uses of State Shared Revenues. She said one was held on May 16, 2023 before the Budget Committee and the second is being held tonight before City Council.

Council President Greg Ervin opened the public hearing at 7:08 pm.

Barbara Schaaf 953 South U Street, Cottage Grove, Oregon wants more communication and information from Council and said she would like someone to attend the community meetings being held the first Wednesday of every month at the Community Center.

Council President informed Barbara Schaaf that this is a public hearing for a specific topic.

She said that she doesn't understand the process and expressed concerns about the high cost of housing, the schools not being maintained and homeless getting free water and electricity.

Councilor Fleck told Barbara that he would be happy to meet with her to answer questions.

She said this is a budget hearing and she wants answers. She said she wants to know if the City Manager and Assistant to the City Manager work 40 hours of week for their pay and asked why we need two of them.

Council President informed Barbara Schaaf that this is not the appropriate time for her concerns.

Council President asked if there were any comments for the Public Hearing on the use of State shared revenues.

No comments were made. Council President closed the public hearing at 7:13 pm.

(c) Public Hearing for 2023-24 Budget

Finance Director Roberta Likens informed Council that the Budget Committee has met and approved the 2023-24 Budget. She said this public hearing is to receive additional public comments. She outlined the changes that were incorporated into the Approved Budget including two changes that were not listed in the memorandum on Friday.

Council President opened the public hearing at 7:17 pm.

Joel Reiten 926 South R Street, Cottage Grove, OR presented Council with the history of Bohemia Mining Days (BMD) and asked for their financial support.

Jolene Piper 682 Benjamin, Cottage Grove, OR asked for financial support for Slabtown BMX in the amount of \$10,000, in order to have a required topographical and engineering map created.

Council President asked if there were any additional comments.

No comments were made. Council President closed the public hearing at 7:24 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) Building Program Intergovernmental Agreement Fee Addendum Approvals
- (b) Liquor License Renewals

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion. Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

- (a) Resolution Adopting a Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23 and Making Appropriations

Finance Director Roberta Likens reported that the required public hearing was held earlier this evening and she outlined the areas that the supplemental budget would be affecting.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2100.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion. Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2100 was adopted.

(b) Resolution Transferring Appropriations within Various Funds

Finance Director Roberta Likens reported that it was necessary to move funds within the General Fund, Street Fund, Bicycle and Foot Path Fund, Water Fund, Wastewater Fund and Storm Drain SDC Fund. She said the resolution reduces the amount in the contingency line items that correlate to the funds in the same amount in each fund, with the exception of the Bicycle and Foot Path Fund. She said in the Bicycle and Foot Path Fund, Capital Outlay expenditures are reduced with an offsetting increase in Materials and Services. She added that with any re-appropriation of funds the net effect on the bottom line is zero. She continued by giving specific details of the appropriations in each fund.

Finance Director announced a change to the chart in the resolution. She said in the Water Fund, the contingency total needs to be corrected so that the increase and decrease are both \$46,500.

Councilor Fleck asked if there will be any revenue from insurance when the street sweeper was rear ended.

City Manager replied that the insurance revenue will come in and that this line is paying for the work to be done.

Finance Director indicated that insurance proceeds were also received from our insurance carrier.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2101 AS AMENDED.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion. Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2101 was adopted.

(c) Resolution Authorizing an Interfund Loan to the Industrial Park Fund from the Water Reserve Fund

Finance Director Roberta Likens indicated that the Industrial Park Fund was not successful in selling lots to be able to carry the debt service for this fiscal year. She said there are potential buyers, but since a transaction will not be completed prior to June 30th of this fiscal year it is prudent to authorize an interfund loan in the amount of \$151,000 from the Water Reserve Fund. She added that the loan is anticipated to be short-term, with repayment occurring upon receipt of sale proceeds and will bear zero percent interest.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2102.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion. Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2102 was adopted.

(d) Resolutions Concerning State Shared Revenues

Finance Director Roberta Likens shared with Council the ORS requirements regarding state-shared revenues. She said cities must adopt an ordinance or resolution stating that they want to receive state revenue sharing money, a resolution stating that the city provides at least four designated municipal services and certify that two public hearings were held. She said it is recommended by staff to adopt the appropriate resolutions.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2103 AND NO. 2104.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion.

Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2103 and No. 2104 were adopted.

(e) Resolution Adopting the 2023-24 Budget, Making Appropriations, and Imposing Categorizing Ad Valorem Taxes

Finance Director Roberta Likens presented Council with the 2023-24 Budget with proposed changes. She said the Budget Committee has met and approved the Budget and she outlined the proposed changes that were brought before the Council at the Budget Hearing. She added that Council that may want to spend some time discussing Community Promotions to consider requests that had been made from various organizations.

Councilor Fleck said he needs more time to look over the large funding request from Bohemia Mining Days and he suggested that a subcommittee be formed to review the request.

Councilor Merryday asked what the rural tourism grant project fund is designated to be spent on.

City Manager replied that it funds a number of items dealing with promotional materials for publications like Travel Lane County, Oregon Travel magazine and brochures that encourage tourism.

Councilor Ervin asked for a list of organizations and the amount of the funding requests.

City Manager responded by listing the following funding requests:

- BMX - \$10,000
- South Valley Farmers Market (SVFM) - an additional \$2,000
- Singing Creek - \$1,000
- Bohemia Food Hub - \$5,000
- Carousel - \$5,000
- Bohemia Mining Days (BMD)- \$38,000

Councilor Stinnett asked for an explanation of South Valley Farmers Market request.

City Manager replied that last year they asked for \$3,000 and this year they are asking for an additional \$2,000 to expand the market promotion and create activities for children.

Councilor Dreher clarified that Singing Creek is asking for \$1,600.

Councilor Savage clarified that the Carousel needs \$10,000 but are only asking for \$5,000.

City Manager explained that the Carousel is requesting funding to complete a feasibility study to help find a location to make the carousel a sustainable project.

Councilor Ervin said that he supports the funding requests for the Carousel, BMX, Singing Creek and South Valley Farmers Market. He added that he is in agreement with forming a committee to discuss the funding for BMD and to consider re-appropriating money to BMD from the Symphony if the fund raising efforts are successful.

Councilor Savage said she supports the funding request for South Valley Farmers Market by adding \$2,000 to their existing funding, Singing Creek and Carousel for the amount requested and \$5,000 for BMX. She said she would like to pursue the grant possibilities for the Bohemia Food Hub and get more information from BMD before making a decision.

Councilor Stinnett asked for more information regarding the amount of funding BMX is asking for.

Jolene Piper, representative from BMX explained that they were awarded a \$35,000 YARG foundation grant that requires a \$20,000 match. She said they have done some fundraising and also sought donations from the Woodard Foundation and local businesses.

Councilor Fleck declared a conflict of interest as an employee of the Community Sharing program which receives \$3,000 in the Community Promotions line item.

Councilor Fleck said he supports funding \$5,000 for BMX. He added that he would like to address the Bohemia Food Hub and BMD funding requests at a later time.

Councilor Merryday said there are a lot of worthy projects, he likes the consensus building of the Council and will support what comes to a motion.

Councilor Stinnett asked if lowering the funding for BMX is to keep parity or another reason.

Councilor Fleck replied that from his standpoint it would be in fairness.

Councilor Ervin said that he does not want to lower the funding for BMX because it would be a great draw for the community.

Councilor Stinnett said that he has no problem funding the full amount of BMX requests.

Councilor Savage asked if the City requires organizations who receive funding to give reports to Council.

City Manager said typically when funding is awarded, organizations are asked to give a written report or a presentation to Council.

Councilor Dreher said she supports the additional \$2,000 funding request for South Valley Farmers Market, \$1,600 for Singing Creek Education Center, \$5,000 for the Carousel and \$5,000 for Slabtown BMX.

Councilor Merryday proposed a compromise of \$7,500 for BMX.

Councilor Stinnett reiterated his support of funding the full amount for South Valley Farmers Market and BMX.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR MERRYDAY TO APPROPRIATE \$5,000 TO THE CAROUSEL, \$1,600 TO SINGING CREEK, AN ADDITIONAL \$2,000 FOR SOUTH VALLEY FARMERS MARKET AND \$10,000 FOR BMX INTO COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS FROM CONTINGENCY.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for further discussion.

Council President called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Council President announced motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2105 AS AMENDED.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2105 was adopted.

City Manager Richard Meyers asked for Council’s direction regarding BMD.

Councilor Fleck said he would like to serve on a subcommittee to discuss it.

Councilor Fleck, Savage and Ervin volunteered to serve on the subcommittee.

(f) Resolution Amending the Comprehensive Fee Schedule

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart presented to Council a resolution that would make changes to six sections of the Comprehensive Fee Schedule. He described each of the sections individually and the proposed changes.

Councilor Fleck said it is hard to see increases being made to the water and wastewater bills, but that he recognizes we must keep the system repaired or it will only get more expensive down the road.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2106.

Councilor President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion.

Councilor Ervin said that it is hard to do, but we need to be responsible.

Councilor Merryday said educating citizens about the associated cost is important. He said we need keep in mind that it is not a water bill, it is a utility bill and it covers more than just the water that is being used.

Council President called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2106 was adopted.

Item added to the Agenda – Resolution Authorizing the Purchase and Up Fit of Two Police Vehicles from Tigard’s Landmark Ford-Lincoln and Authorizing Financing through U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Financing, Inc.

Finance Director Roberta Likens reminded Council that on June 12, 2023 they authorized the City Manager to accept the financing proposal from U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Financing for the purchase and up fit of two police vehicles. She said the lessor is requesting that Council formally authorize the purchase in the form of a resolution.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2107.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion.

Seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Resolution No. 2107 was adopted.

(g) Second Vote for Ordinance Amending Chapter 3.10 Multiple-Unit Property Tax Exemption Program of the Cottage Grove Municipal Code

City Planner Eric Mongan explained that this item is coming before Council for consideration of the second vote and adoption.

Councilor Merryday proposed to lower the percentage in Section 3.10.020 item (b) from 25%. He presented to Council a chart with examples of the number of dwelling units that could be obtained as regulated affordable housing at 5%, 7% and 10%.

Councilor Savage said she supports changing the percentage to 10%.

Councilor Fleck said he supports any of the lower percentages.

Councilor Dreher said she supports changing the percentage to 5%.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR DREHER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR FLECK TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 3173 SECTION 3.10.020 ELIGIBLE PROPERTY ITEM (B) BY CHANGING THE PERCENTAGE TO 5%.

Councilor President announced the motion with a second and called for further discussion.

Councilor Stinnett asked if 10% was the suggested percentage at the Agenda Session.

Councilor Merryday responded yes, but said he was unsure if that was the right number.

Councilor Stinnett said the idea is to find a percentage number that would actually add affordable housing and that he supports 10%. He added that he looks forward to continuing the discussion on how to create affordable housing and he will not oppose the 5%.

Councilor Dreher said that the MUPTE is just one of many tools being implemented to increase housing and she is glad that it has an affordable housing component.

Councilor Ervin said he prefers that the MUPTE be a streamlined, efficient way to get housing built with as few barriers as possible and other programs are used to encourage affordable housing.

Councilor Merryday clarified that the developer still has the option to not choose the affordable housing component.

Council President called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X		X	X	X	X	
NAYS		X					
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR DREHER TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3173 AS AMENDED.

Council President called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X		X	X	X	X	
NAYS		X					
ABSTAIN							

Ordinance No. 3173 was adopted.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

(a) Peace Pole Committee Presentation and Request

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart introduced representatives of the committee to present their request to Council.

Brenda Sawyer and Joyce and Jim Settlemeyer shared with Council the desire to install a Peace Pole in Coiner Park. They outlined the history, concept and community outreach that has taken place and presented a scaled model. They discussed the layout, design and location that the Peace Pole would be installed.

Councilor Savage said that she supports the project and appreciates the plan and thought put into making it happen.

Councilor Dreher said she appreciates the project that would promote peace and friendship and she can see it being a space for quiet reflection.

Councilor Fleck said it is a wonderful idea and asked who would be responsible for the costs associated with the concrete.

Public Works and Development Director explained that the City had planned to build a pavers circle around the Peace Tree and connect it to the existing path. He said this would be in conjunction with what was originally intended and could be incorporated into the project.

Councilor Merryday said Creswell has done a great job around their Peace Tree and this project would help unify the cities and help promote peace in the parks.

Councilor Stinnett said he supports the project and asked if the sections of the pole could evolve and be changed out over time.

Joyce Settlemeyer replied yes and further explained the construction of the pole.

Councilor Ervin asked about the maintenance of the pole against tagging and vandalism.

Joyce and Jim Settlemeyer explained how the pieces would be adhered to the metal frame and could be removed and changed.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR STINNETT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PEACE POLE PROJECT.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

(b) Award of Cottage Grove Reservoir Access Driveway Project

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart presented Council with the Invitation to Bid results for the Cottage Grove Reservoir Access Driveway Project and recommended the contract be awarded to Pacific Excavation in the amount of \$494,269.00.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO AWARD THE COTTAGE GROVE RESERVOIR ACCESS DRIVEWAY PROJECT CONTRACT TO PACIFIC EXCAVATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$494,269.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ALL ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called for discussion.

Councilor Merryday asked if Branch Engineering has high confidence in this firm.

Public Works and Development Director replied yes, and the Public Works Department has high confidence based on the firm’s participation in several recent projects in the community.

Councilor Ervin asked if this project is for the future development of another reservoir site.

Public Works and Development Director explained the history of the land purchase and the County conditional use permit.

Councilor President called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

(c) Award of Street Improvement Contract

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart presented Council with the Invitation to Bid results for street improvements for W. Main Street and N. River Road from Main Street to Woodson Bridge and recommended the contract be awarded to Sierra Santa Fe Corporation in the amount of \$231,333.00.

Councilor Fleck asked if the condition of this section of River Road is good enough to warrant doing the seal process or should it be rebuilt.

Public Works and Development Director replied that Sierra Santa Fe Corporation indicated this type of application has worked well in other communities. He added that City Staff will be doing additional preparation prior to the scrub chip seal in order to enhance the rougher areas.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO AWARD THE STREET IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT TO SIERRA SANTA FE CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$231,333.00 FOR W. MAIN STREET AND N. RIVER ROAD CHIP SEAL PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ALL ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS.

Councilor President announced the motion with a second.

Councilor Merryday asked for an explanation of scrub seal.

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart explained that an extra thick layer of an emulsion is laid down, a v-shaped broom pushes the product into the lower spots and then it is filled with rock.

Councilor Ervin asked if there is any manhole access on that section of road and if so, how does this process get the manhole covers back up to grade.

Public Works and Development Director responded that can be a challenge with this type of process and he said when we pass that point of tolerance, additional rings would need to be added to lift the manhole.

Councilor Ervin asked what type of longevity we can expect with the scrub seal process.

Public Works and Development Director replied that Sierra Santa Fe indicated the City of Florence has been using this process for about the past 10 years and getting really good results. He added that he would have to inquire about the predictions for our streets.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

(d) Cancellation of July 24, 2023 City Council Meeting

City Manager Richard Meyers informed Council that the Eugene Symphony is scheduled to perform in Bohemia Park on Monday, July 24th. He said it is the same date as the regularly scheduled Council meeting and it is recommended the meeting be cancelled so that they could enjoy the performance.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SAVAGE TO CANCEL THE JULY 24, 2023 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Council President announced the motion with a second and called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Dreher	Councilor Ervin	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Merryday	Councilor Savage	Councilor Stinnett	Mayor Solesbee
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Motion carried.

(e) Concerns from Council

Councilor Fleck updated Council on recent meetings that he attended with Lane Area Commission of Transportation and LRAPA.

Councilor Dreher mentioned the closing of the 2023 Legislative Session and expressed interest in reviewing some of the items that passed and how they might benefit Cottage Grove.

Councilor Fleck added that Measure 3414, requiring cities with populations over 10,000 to have production quotas for building homes, did not pass.

Councilor Ervin stated that earlier in the meeting he had to follow the order of the Agenda, he does value citizen comments and hoped the citizen who spoke earlier this evening could be contacted.

Councilor Ervin expressed concern with utility pole readers accessing private property.

Councilor Merryday complemented the citizens who are working towards doing good things in Cottage Grove including BMX, Peace Pole and BMD.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

(a) Report from City Manager

City Manager Richard Meyers reminded Council to let Staff know if they are interested in attending the National League of Cities.

City Manager addressed a Letter to the Editor that was published in the Cottage Grove Sentinel. He provided Council with information regarding the statements made in the letter and corrected the misinformation.

BUSINESS FROM CITY ATTORNEY

(a) Report from City Attorney

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council President Ervin adjourned the regular meeting of the City Council at 9:26 pm.

The next regular City Council Meeting will be held July 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mindy Roberts, City Recorder

Candace Solesbee, Mayor