

MINUTES
Warrenton Urban Renewal Advisory Committee
March 1, 2023
3:30 p.m.
Warrenton City Hall – Commissioners Chambers
225 S. Main
Warrenton, OR 97146

Chair Chedsey called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Warrenton Urban Renewal Advisory Committee Members Present: Karin Hopper, AmyLeigh Sutton, Tess Chedsey, and Dennis Faletti.

Staff Present: City Manager Esther Moberg, Harbormaster Jane Sweet, Deputy City Recorder Brittney Johnson

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Urban Renewal Advisory Committee Minutes 12.07.22

Committee Member Dennis Faletti made the motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Hopper – aye; Sutton - aye; Chedsey - aye; Faletti - aye

BUSINESS

Harbormaster Jane Sweet gave an update on the Pier Project, noting that it is going well and almost done. She also noted that everyone is very thankful and appreciates it and wanted to extend everyone's thanks.

City Manager Esther Moberg gave a brief food pod update; there are two permanent food carts in the food pod and one that comes in for a couple days every other month. Staff are currently working on improvements, with a port-a-potty that will be permanently there, and trash receptacles; accommodations are in the works. Staff is also in the process of getting three more grey water lines installed, electrical, and paving the rest of the food pod area. Ms. Moberg also noted that the urban renewal audit was approved for the Warrenton Urban Renewal Agency. She also gave an update about the Skipanon RV building; currently the building is being assessed to see if it could be used for any city department needs and she will be giving her report on the building at the last commission meeting in March.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Moberg recommended to the committee to have a work session with the Urban Renewal Agency about how money should be spent on what projects. The committee decided

that they would meet first to put together their thoughts and ideas, then have a joint work session with the Urban Renewal Agency. Ms. Moberg asked for best timing to set a work session; committee members gave their input.

Committee member Sutton asked City Manager Moberg about the Skipanon RV building, and the possibility of city departments actually using it, and what city departments would use it. Ms. Moberg respond with the city is growing and there are a couple departments already at max capacity and that it will take a while, but all department heads will get to look at the building and decide if it could be useful to their department, but most likely would be the fire department. Discussion continued.

Chair Tess Chedsey inquired about the head start building, and Ms. Moberg informed her that the head start building has officially been signed over.

Committee member Faletti asked about the community center and how they could possibly help bring it back to life because the inside looks very dated. Ms. Moberg explained that the community center funding is not there, but it's going to have to be re-evaluated because there is no budget for it. Ms. Moberg also noted that the community center falls out of the urban renewal guidelines for fixing up. Discussion continued.

There being no further business, Chair Chedsey adjourned the meeting at 4:31 p.m.

Next regular meeting: June 7th, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:



Brittney Johnson, Secretary

Dawne Shaw,

APPROVED:



Tess Chedsey, Chair

Amy Leigh Sutton, Vice Chair