

**John Day City Council
June 10, 2014
7:00 PM
Council Chambers
AGENDA**

1. **OPEN AND NOTE ATTENDANCE**
2. **APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2014.**
3. **APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS – At this time Mayor Lundbom will welcome the general public and ask if there is anything they would like to add to tonight’s agenda.**

ACTION ITEMS:

4. **DISCUSS REQUEST FROM SOPHIA NICODEMUS, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVOCATE FOR HEART OF GRANT COUNTY**
Attachment:
 - May 27, 2014 letter from Sophia Nicodemus
5. **DISCUSS REQUEST FROM GRANT COUNTY 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE FOR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION**
Attachment:
 - Letter from the Grant County 4th of July Celebration Committee
6. **DISCUSS FOR SIGNATURE ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR THE CITY’S ANNUAL AUDIT FROM GUYER & ASSOCIATES**
Attachment:
 - Engagement letter for the City’s annual audit from Guyer & Associates
7. **DISCUSS 2015 LEAGUE OF OREGON CITIES LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**
Attachments:
 - Letter from LOC Executive Director Michael J. McCauley w/attachments

OTHER BUSINESS:

8. **OTHER BUSINESS AND UPCOMING MEETINGS**
Attachments:
 - LOC Bulletin
 - Thank you letter from Clay Johnson of the Grant Union FBLA
 - Notice of Filing Deadline

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TO: John Day City Council

FROM: Peggy Gray, City Manager

DATE: June 5, 2014

SUBJECT: Discuss Request from Sophia Nicodemus, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advocate for Heart of Grant County

Attachment:

- May 27, 2014 letter from Sophia Nicodemus

BACKGROUND:

Heart of Grant County is sponsoring a color family fun run on October 4, 2014. They are seeking permission to use the trail and the area at the Industrial Park. The run/walk will consist of several laps where the participants will be painted with colored powders. The powder is a mix of cornstarch and food coloring so it is completely biodegradable.

I spoke with Public Works Director David Holland in regards to the mess. David had no issue with the request. He said if the rain doesn't clean up the colored powders, we could spray it off with our water truck.

RECOMMENDATION:

I checked with our insurance agent regarding any possible liability issues connected with this activity. Mandy Taylor of Bisnett Insurance said this event would be just fine.

Heart of Grant County is a private non-profit organization and provides a very important service to our community by working directly with families to break the cycle of violence. I recommend the John Day City Council support the color family fun run and allow them to use the industrial park property for this event with the understanding that they need to clean up after the event (no garbage left behind etc.).

TO: John Day City Council

FROM: Peggy Gray, City Manager

DATE: June 5, 2014

SUBJECT: Discuss Request from Grant County 4th of July Celebration Committee for Financial Contribution

Attachment:

- Letter from the Grant County 4th of July Celebration Committee

BACKGROUND:

Representatives from the Grant County 4th of July Celebration Committee are looking for financial support from other Grant County cities and local businesses for their annual 4th of July celebration in Prairie City.

At our last Council meeting we expended the remaining funds for this fiscal year in our community support line item to the Grant Union FBLA club. However, we do have money available in the general fund should the Council wish to consider this request.

RECOMMENDATION:

Our Police Department will be leading the 4th of July parade in Prairie City. This event is supported by citizens from surrounding communities such as John Day and what is the 4th of July without fireworks? Rising costs and lack of volunteers have put community events such as these in jeopardy. I recommend the City of John Day support this event and donate \$200 from the general fund to help pay for the cost of the fireworks.

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SUBJECT: Discuss for Signature Engagement Letter for the City's Annual Audit from Guyer & Associates

Attachment:

- Engagement letter for the City's annual audit from Guyer & Associates

BACKGROUND:

Attached is our engagement letter for the City of John Day's annual audit from Kent Bailey of Guyer & Associates. The audit has been scheduled to begin the week of August 25, 2014; Guyer will issue their reports no later than December 1, 2014. The gross fee, including expenses, will not exceed \$12,485.

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend the John Day City Council allows City Manager Gray to sign the engagement letter for the City's annual audit with Guyer & Associates.

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DATE: June 5, 2014

SUBJECT: Discuss 2015 League of Oregon Cities Legislative Priorities
Attachments:

- Letter from LOC Executive Director Michael J. McCauley w/attachments

BACKGROUND:

For the past three months, eight policy committees have worked to identify and propose specific action as part of the League of Oregon Cities effort to develop a pro-active legislative agenda for the 2015 session. They have identified 22 legislative objectives as set forth in the attached ballot and legislative recommendation materials.

The LOC Board of Directors has made long term commitments to two issues critical to cities: revenue and land use reform. As a result of their designation as top legislative priorities on an ongoing basis neither of these issues appears on the enclosed ballot.

Each city is being asked to review the recommendations of the policy committees and provide input to the LOC Board of Directors as it prepares to adopt the League's 2015 legislative agenda. The League is asking us to review the proposals and discuss them with staff and return the ballot indicating the top four issues that our city council would like to see the League focus on in the 2015 session. The deadline for response is July 25, 2014. The board of directors will then review the results of the survey, along with the recommendations of the policy committees and determine the League's 2015 legislative agenda.

RECOMMENDATION:

Please review the enclosed materials; city staff will be prepared to answer any questions you may have.

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DATE: June 5, 2014

SUBJECT: Other Business and Upcoming Meetings

Attachments:

- LOC Bulletin
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OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Attached is the May 30, 2014 LOC Bulletin for your information and review.
2. Attached is a thank you letter from Clay Johnson of the Grant Union FBLA.
3. Rural Fire Board Chair Rob Batten and I will be attending the Eastern Oregon Nonprofit Conference in Ontario this week on Thursday evening and Friday. This gives us the opportunity to meet with funders directly and inform them about our fire station project.
4. Attached is the Notice of Filing Deadline for November 2014 Election for Council and the Mayor Positions. Council positions up this year are Paul Smith, Don Caldwell, Gene Officer and Mayor Ron Lundbom. I will have your election packets ready for you at the Council meeting for those of you who want to run for your seat. This notice is on the City's website and it will appear in the next issue of the Blue Mountain Eagle.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

June 24, 2014

7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Regular City Council meeting