

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PULLMAN
JULY 22, 2015

Roll Call

A special joint meeting of the City Council of the City of Moscow and the City Council of the City of Pullman was held on July 22, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at Kruegel Park Shelter, Pullman, Washington with the following present:

City of Pullman Mayor, Finance Director and Council:

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| Glenn A. Johnson | Mayor |
| Leann L. Hubbard | Finance Director |
| Francis Benjamin | Councilmember |
| Jeff Hawbaker | Councilmember |
| Eileen Macoll | Councilmember |
| Al Sorensen | Councilmember |
| Nathan Weller | Councilmember |
| Pat Wright | Councilmember |

City of Moscow Mayor and Council:

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| Bill Lambert | Mayor |
| Art Bettge | Councilmember |
| Jim Boland | Councilmember |
| Dan Carscallen | Councilmember |
| Wayne Krauss | Councilmember |
| Walter Steed | Councilmember |
| John Weber | Councilmember |

Call to Order

Mayor Johnson called the special joint meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Councilmember Wright moved, Councilmember Weller seconded to excuse Councilmember Hughes from the meeting.

Motion Carried.

All attendees introduced themselves and provided their historical background. Attendees other than those listed in roll call include:

City of Pullman:
Mark Workman, City Supervisor
Kevin Gardes, Public Works Director
Pete Dickinson, Planning Director
Gary Jenkins, Police Chief
Mike Heston, Fire Chief

City of Moscow:
Gary Reidner, City Supervisor
Les MacDonald, Public Works Director
Bill Belknap, Community Development Director
David Duke, Police Chief
Brian Nickerson, Fire Chief

Discussions

- Marijuana
1. City of Pullman Planning Director Dickinson reported Initiative 502 passed in November 2012. The City of Pullman responded by allowing stores and production/processing facilities in certain zones and locations. Pullman was allowed three retail stores and currently has two. Signage has been the only major compliance issue. The police department has not seen much of an impact. In

fact citations have reduced since marijuana is legal for individuals 21 years or older. Marijuana use is still illegal in public. City of Moscow Police Chief Duke was concerned due to Colorado's issues, but has not seen an increase in violations and was concerned about purchasers bringing marijuana back across the border, but has seen a 50% decrease in border area accidents. Pullman Police Chief Jenkins reported the age group buying in the stores are older than college students. Pullman Fire Chief Hester reported most emergency responses have been alcohol related, not marijuana, so there has not been a huge impact. Moscow Fire Chief Nickerson reported most emergency responses have been alcohol and heroin related, not marijuana. Pullman Planning Director Dickinson reported the state law allows growers to be indoor or outdoor, but Pullman code limits growing marijuana to only indoors.

- Water 2. Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee members include Walter Steed, Fritz Hughes, Kevin Gardes, and Les MacDonald. The city of Pullman and the city of Moscow both financially support the aquifer. The city of Moscow conserves water by setting times for water use. The city of Pullman conserves water by user education and incentives. Both communities work well together and make good progress through the committee. Les MacDonald mentioned a framework project that was completed four years ago, but water research is a decades long project. Last year the water research project updated the data, goals, and actions. It just awarded a contract on the assessment on surface water study for a comparable summary to identify best opportunities or gap in knowledge. City of Moscow Mayor Lambert stated it will need regional coordination and to come up with a long term solution.
- Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport 3. Pullman Mayor Johnson thanked Moscow for their support of the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport (PMRA). Moscow Mayor Lambert stated that PMRA is Moscow's transportation since they do not have an interstate, water line, or rail system. He clarified that if the airport were between Moscow and Lewiston, in the Genesee Idaho area, then the airport would be run out of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in Montana. PMRA's FAA is out of Seattle, WA. He also stated that if we lose the PMRA airport, then it is not coming back. Pullman Mayor Johnson announced that PMRA has a great airport manager, Tony Bean, who pursues any grants available and worked with the FAA on solutions to align the runway. The PMRA runway is the FAA's #1 project in seven states. He stated if we lose commercial airline service, then we will lose millions of dollars in regional investment. Alaska Airlines is increasing PMRA flights and they have advanced navigations so the re-aligned runway will reduce their flight cancelations. The runway will benefit WSU, University of Idaho and many other regional public and private entities.
- Regional Economic Development 4. Pullman Councilmember Benjamin reported on regional economic development, which includes continued discussion of the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport. Fifteen years ago, each city did their own economic development like an island,

but has changed their focus to regional. Economic development has grown. The Palouse Knowledge Corridor (PKC) consists of several entities. It encourages business development in the region. PKC is responsive to how to grow business best. PKC has representatives from both states, both chambers, and both universities. PKC looks at business showcase to highlight businesses. PKC developed the entrepreneur bootcamp and is looking at business development, to find gaps, and to invest in these gaps (like marker space). Only one-third of Pullman workers live in Pullman so there is a lot of people movement within the region. Moscow Community Development Director Belknap announced it is important to operate as a region because it benefits both cities.

Regional
Emergency
Response

5. Pullman Mayor Johnson announced that there are several mutual aid agreements for regional emergency response. Pullman Fire Chief Heston reported the hazmat agreement with Lewiston provides the equipment while Pullman provides the bodies. Pullman also has an auto aid agreement with Whitman County. Moscow Fire Chief Nickerson reported on January 10, 2015 Pullman provided medics to Moscow to help with the shooting. Pullman Police Chief Jenkins reported there is a mutual aid system set up across the state of Washington. The challenge is crossing the state line, but there has been an agreement set up since 1992. Moscow Police Chief Duke reported Moscow has mutual aid with Pullman, Whitman County, and WSU. Local aid includes the Quad-City Task Force and there is open communications with the Pullman Police Chief.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Johnson asked if there was any new business. There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Johnson adjourned the special joint meeting of the City Council at 8:18 p.m.