

**City of Lowell, Oregon
City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2025**

The Lowell City Council held a regular meeting on January 7, 2025. The meeting location was Lowell Rural Fire Protection District Fire Station 1 at 389 N. Pioneer Street, Lowell, OR 97452. Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm.

City Councilors present:

Mayor Don Bennett, Tim Stratis, Gail Harris, Maureen Weathers, Jimmy Murray

City Councilors absent:

None

Staff/others present:

Interim City Administrator Max Baker

Oath of Office

Interim City Administrator, Max Baker, swore in Councilor Maureen Weathers, Councilor Gail Harris and Councilor Jimmy Murray

Election of Officers

1. Election of Mayor – Discussion/ Action

Mayor Bennett said he enjoyed and has been honored to serve as Mayor, but he would like to see someone else take over. Councilors and CA praised Don for the job well done.

Councilor Harris' motion to nominate Councilor Weathers as Mayor, was seconded by Councilor Stratis.

Mayor Bennett: YES; Stratis: YES; Harris: YES; Weathers: YES; Murray: Abstained.

Approved: 4-0, 1 Abstained

Mayor Weathers now running meeting.

2. Election of Council President – Discussion/ Action

Councilor Stratis' motion to nominate Councilor Murray as Council President was seconded by Councilor Harris.

Mayor Weathers: YES; Stratis: YES; Harris: YES; Bennett: YES; Murray: Abstained

Approved: 4-0, 1 Abstained

Approval of the agenda:

No changes.

Consent Agenda

1. December 3, 2024 meeting minutes
2. December 17, 2024 meeting minutes
3. November 2024 check register detail
4. November 2024 check register
5. December 2024 check register detail
6. December 2024 check register
7. November 2024 Financial Statements

Councilor Stratis motion to approve the consent agenda, was seconded by Councilor Murray.

Mayor Weathers: YES; Murray: Yes; Stratis: YES; Harris: YES; Bennett: YES.

Approved: 5-0

Public comments:

None

Council comments:

None

Staff reports:

None

Presentations:

None

Old business:

None

New business:

1. Resolution 840, "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL" – Discussion/ Possible action

Councilor Harris' motion to approve Resolution 840, "A Resolution adopting guiding principles for the City Council", was seconded by Councilor Bennett.

Mayor Weathers: YES; Murray: Yes; Stratis: YES; Harris: YES; Bennett: YES.

Approved: 5-0

Other business:

None

Mayor comments:

None

Councilor comments:

None.

Community comments:

None

Adjourned at 7:38 pm.

APPROVED:


Maureen Weathers, Mayor

ATTEST:


Max Baker, City Recorder