

Siletz City Council
Work-Session
Monday, May 22, 2023, 4:30 PM
Siletz City Hall

Present: Mayor Worman, T. Retasket, S. Trachsel, J. Whitehead
Present Via Zoom: M. Cummiskey,
Staff: City Recorder B. Chestler, City Attorney Lori Cooper

1. Call Meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum

Mayor Worman called the meeting to order and established a quorum.

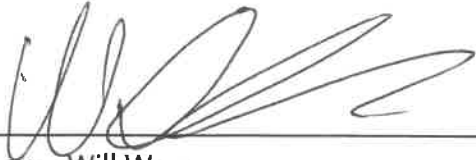
2. Intergovernmental Agreement for Judicial Services Between the City of Toledo and the City of Siletz

Discussed was the Intergovernmental Agreement for Judicial Services Between the City of Toledo and the City of Siletz. Items discussed were, the city of Toledo would be willing to allow their judge to come to Siletz but doesn't want the City of Toledo Court Clerk to travel back and forth. Mike Adams, Toledo's City Attorney thinks the city will allow their Municipal Judge to come to Siletz. The city attorney discussed procedural problems and technicalities of the charter. The point of how the charter was written, is so citizens don't have to travel to get justice. Discussed was doing a Zoom call for court as long as the defendant was sitting in the room in Siletz. Toledo's City Attorney thinks this would be allowable and there would be a low risk for breaking the intent of the code. The City Attorney thought the most efficient thing to do would be to work with Toledo. Concerns were brought up about what the cost is going to be and how the IGA does not address the cost. Some Council members feel the reviewed IGA conditions are unacceptable and it seems like the city would be taking on more problems. Also brought up was that holding court in Toledo and not disclosing that we have to have court in Siletz is not being transparent and it wouldn't be the honest thing to do. The Council feels the city should return to the drawing board and good logic would be to set up our own court in Siletz. The City Attorney discussed needing an RFP for a municipal court judge. Discussed was how the City's law firm should build something for Siletz and how the City needs someone aware of the judicial system and the need for a simple one. Preferences were discussed and the council determined that the city needs to handle this matter of a municipal court in-house.

3. Adjournment

Retasket moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:12 PM.

Mayor Worman adjourned the meeting at 5:12 PM.



Mayor Will Worman

ATTEST:

Makenzee Goodell

Recording Secretary Makenzee Goodell