

CITY OF COQUILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2015

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Matt Rowe, Council President Loran Wiese, Councilors Dennis Graham, Susan Heaton, Dave Chappelle, Fran Capehart and Linda Short.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ben Marchant, Finance Director Chuck Dufner, Library Director Anne Conner, Public Works & Planning Director Kevin Urban, Fire Chief Dave Waddington, City Recorder Rene Collins, Chief Janice Blue and City Attorney Matt Muenchrath

PRESS: Coquille Valley Courant

AUDIENCE: A roster of those present is on file in the City Recorder's Office

Executive Session – An executive session of the City Council is allowed under Section 192.610 (2)(h) to consult with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

Mayor Rowe stated the City of Coquille Council will meet in executive session as allowed under section 192.610 (2)(h) to consult with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session; all other members of the audience are asked to leave the room. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room.

Mayor Rowe opened the executive session at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Rowe closed the executive session at 6:45 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rowe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Rowe said it was great to see another large group. He hoped everyone had a Happy Easter. Mayor Rowe appointed Councilor Chappelle to the Public Safety Committee and removed him from the Administrative Committee and he appointed Councilor Short to the Administrative Committee.

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Capehart said she visited Bob Crimm at the Coquille Hospital and he has been transferred to Portland. Everyone received an invitation to the Aaron Grabinsky Eagle Presentation. May 7, 2015 is the National Day of Prayer which will be held at the Coquille Community Center at noon.

Councilor Short said the Carousel has new brochures and they will be having a family bingo night on April 21st at the community building from 6:30 -8:00. Councilor Short proposed the purchase of a large brick in honor of Aaron Grabinsky for the River Walk. Councilor Capehart seconded the motion. Councilor Wiese proposed any Coquille Eagle Scout that completes a project in the City will receive a large River Walk brick in their name paid for by the City Council. The Council agreed. Councilor Graham will fill out the forms and bill the council for the purchase of the bricks.

Councilor Heaton said she enjoyed the Carousel garage sale and the Chamber of Commerce executives meetings. . She invited everyone to the Garden Club meeting tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. and they are looking for helpers for the garden tour which will be June 12th. The second Thursday of each month there are seed swapping meetings at the Owen building. She attended a Coastal Celtic meeting at the Egyptian Theatre and they showed a Irish movie.

Councilor Graham said the sign at the recycling center says it is open from 10-2 on the first Saturday of the month and wondered what was going on as it has been open every Saturday in the past. City manager Marchant said Les's Sanitation does not hold the garbage franchise here and it does not make good business sense for them to provide the service any longer. Councilor Wiese asked if Mr. Wadsworth had his garbage truck at the GP site Saturday. Councilor Graham said no he was at the WWTP recycle site. City Manager Marchant said if the weekly recycle is to continue there would need to be a provision in the franchise agreement or budget adjustments if it was to be provided by the City.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Fire Chief Waddington said they have been busy and his staff continues to provide excellence service to the citizens.

Police Chief Blue picked a new police car up that was partially donated by Reserve Officer Pierce. She is still working on the May 16th clean up day and is hoping that it will work out. Councilor Heaton said Officer Hill was proud that he had been with the Police department for year.

Library Director Conner said there will be a book sale this weekend, and Trivia Night will be held on May 9th with a Roaring 20's theme. The price is \$15 per person.

Public Works Director/Planner Urban said there has been an issue with the measuring of fluoride and he would prefer not to put it into the water due to the sampling result issues. There is a difference between our report and the DEQ sample testing. The testing issue could be due to the equipment or the testing procedure. Urban asked Council if they want to make a decision on this issue or would they like the citizens to weigh in on it. Mayor Rowe asked Dr. Pahls a dentist from the community to speak about fluoride. Dr. Pahls stated the children are affected by not receiving fluoride. Fluoridation has been recognized as one the top ten public health achievements in the country. Fluoridation will minimize the chance of tooth decay. Two-thirds of the population is served water with fluoride and the court has not found an issue with it being added to drinking water. He also said be aware of information found on the internet as it may not be accurate. His family provides a free dental day for the community and the need is very high partly due to family's economic issues. A dentist from Portland called Dr. Pahls and said he had heard that Coquille had failed 5 cycles of fluoride testing; the test showed no fluoride in the water. Public Works Director Urban said he is concerned about the amount of fluoride not being the correct amount. Dr. Pahls said it costs approximately .50 per

person per year and in the future if the City chooses not to put fluoride in the water the dentist needs to be aware so a prescription can be provided. Science has shown there is no detriment to have fluoride in the water. Urban said if council chooses to continue to put fluoride in the system they will try using another machine and check to see how the testing is done; if that does not work he will call the Safe Drinking Water people for help. Council chose to continue putting fluoride in the water. Urban received one RFQ for the parks plan and the committee will meet on April 16th at 1:00 in the conference room. He received the results from the drilling on Central Ave showing the soil is very bad under the entire road and he will be working with the engineer on a remedy for the issue which would include diverting water from that area of the road.

Finance Director Dufner said the Reitman Trust Fund is earning 2.39% and the duration is 2.37 years. He is working on the budget and is hoping to complete the document by next Monday.

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Marchant showed the signs for advertising at the pool that are up for purchase and they will be hung on the fence at the pool for the season. Whoozits purchased pool passes that were put in the Rotary Easter Egg Hunt. There are special events scheduled at the pool this year that people or businesses can sponsor. The first event is the card board boat races at Gay 90's. He received a letter from the Chamber of Commerce requesting to hold a Thursday's Farmers Market in front of the community building and asked Council if they wanted him to handle the particulars. Councilor Short said they have a good set of rules for the vendors and the City will receive some money. Mayor Rowe said the City Manager's report said \$3,500 would be spent from the promotions fund to advertise the Gay 90's event this year in Roseburg and Eugene, but he feels with the cost of advertising he would like to see \$7,000 spent. Councilor said she supports the advertising but feels this is a Chamber of Commerce function.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bob Lance, 395 N Baxter, Coquille, welcomed the new florist to town. He said the harassment and bullying needs to stop. He feels someone is using city services to bully and harass him. He stated the area behind the store did get messy for a while when he and his wife were sick. He was given a travel trailer to repurpose and he parked it on his property as Capco is not open until April. The trailer was tagged to be towed as someone thought it was parked on City property. He has talked with City Manager Marchant and the City maps have not been updated from 1998 as that section of 4th street was vacated by the city and given to the closest property owner. The Planning/Public Works Department did not know the cost of demolition permit he should know. Mr. Lance has legally tagged the trailer and it is legal for the next two years. The Fire Department has an old bus, car and garbage beside the Fire Hall and it should be cleaned up. Chief Blue said the Police Department did receive a complaint and it did look like it was in an alley, he received a 72 hour notice not a ticket.

Julie Watte, 874. N Henry St. Coquille, is an advocate against fluoridation. In 1945 fluoride was introduced into community drinking water systems. For several months she and her husband have been asking about taking the fluoride out of the water. They treat their water to take the fluoride and other chemicals out. There are over 176 communities around the U.S. and many Western European countries and Portland, Oregon who do not add fluoride to their water supplies. The research of fluoridation shows long term effects on people's health and it may not be the right thing to continue with today. Mayor Rowe thanked Julie Watte for her comments

Janet Reab, 81 E. 1st Street Coquille, said she still has the hole by the meter and asked if anyone has looked at it, Urban will follow up on this issue with the crew. She asked about a camera being used on East 1st because people and animals are defecating on the sidewalk. Mayor Rowe said there is a dog waste ordinance. Chief Blue said a game camera can be put up to help with the problem.

Ollie Huffman, 2340 Shelly Rd said there has been more patrol in the area where she lives and thanked the Police Department for the extra patrol.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- **Council Minutes of March 2, 2015**

Councilor Capehart made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

9. RESOLUTION 01-2015 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING SPECIFIC PURPOSE GRANTS AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS

Councilor Heaton made a motion to adopt resolution 01-2015 declaring the City's election to receive a specific purpose grant and appropriate the funds to expend the proceeds of the grant in the amount of \$6,155. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion, all voted in favor. Mayor Rowe said this grant is to help pay for the downtown camera's.

10. RESOLUTION 02-2015 A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS BETWEEN CATEGORIES WITHIN THE SAME FUND

Finance Director Dufner said this resolution moves money from the contingency funds to the general fund and ambulance fund and from the promotion fund to council goal line item for over expenditures in certain areas.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt resolution 02-2015 a resolution transferring appropriations between categories within the same fund or between funds. Councilor Short seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

11. RESOLUTION 03-2015 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT FROM THE OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE COMPLETION OF RIETMAN PARK

Public Works Director Urban said this is a grant from Oregon Parks & Recreation Department to finish Reitman Park.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt resolution 03-2015 authorizing the application for a local government grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the completion of Reitman Park. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

12. CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF COOS AND CURRY COUNTIES HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

City Manger Marchant said this will allow the City of North Bend to participate in the Coos and Curry County's Household Hazardous waste management plan.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt contract amendment #2 intergovernmental agreement for implementation of a Coos and Curry counties household hazardous waste management plan. Councilor Heaton seconded the motion, all voted in favor

13. RESOLUTION 04-2015 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE ADOPTING A VOLUNTEER POLICY PROGRAM

City Manger Marchant said this is a formal volunteer policy which provides best practices provided by CIS Insurance. This policy provides the expectations from the City to the volunteers and let's volunteers know what their benefits are. Councilor Graham asked if it applied to the current council members, Marchant stated this will be used going forward. Councilor Heaton asked who approves the volunteers; Marchant said the department head of where the volunteer will work.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt resolution 04-2015 a resolution of the City of Coquille adopting a volunteer policy program. Councilor Heaton seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

14. RESOLUTION 05-2015 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LICENSE, PERMITS, AND PROCEDURES BOOK AND AUTHORIZING THE RATES AND FEES CONTAINED THEREIN

City Manager Marchant said the pool fees would be changed for this year and everyone would pay the same rate whether you live in town or out of town. It could change next year depending how this year turns out.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt resolution 05-2015 a resolution amending the license, permits, and procedures book and authorizing the rates and fees contained therein. Councilor Capehart seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

15. ORDINANCE 1493 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF COQUILLE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 13, PUBLIC SERVICES

Public Works Director/Planner Urban said this ordinance clarifies the repair of sewer lateral lines and what the expectations are.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to waive the first reading of the ordinance. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion, all voted in favor

Councilor Wiese made a motion to read ordinance 1493 by title only. Councilor Capehart seconded the motion, all voted in favor

Councilor Wiese made a motion to adopt ordinance 1493 adopting amendments to the City of Coquille Municipal Code Title 13 public services. Councilor Graham seconded the motion.

Mayor Rowe - Yes

Councilor Graham - yes

Councilor Heaton - yes

Councilor Wiese - Yes

Councilor Chappelle - Yes

Councilor Short - Yes

Councilor Capehart - Yes

All voted in favor

16. TIMBER SALE 2015 – ACCEPT BIDS

Ron Stuntzner of Stuntzner Engineering said they received and opened 2 bids for the Rink Creek Timber sale of approximately 70 acres which lies mostly outside the Rink Creek Watershed. The timber sale is approximately 3 million board feet which includes Douglas Fir, Red Cedar, Alder, Hemlock, Grand Fir and other minor species. This is a recovery timber sale the city receives money based on the scale volume times bid item. The buyer pays for the road and delivery of the logs. They received a bid from Swanson Group Manufacturing and Scott Timer Company. Stuntzner recommended taking the highest bid from Scott Timber. The contractor is required to rock the 1.5 miles of the

road. Councilor Graham asked if the road was in addition to the bid, Mr. Stuntzner said no it is at the cost of the company awarded the contract.

Councilor Heaton made a motion to accept a bid from Swanson Group Manufacturing in the amount of \$1,073,576.50 and Scott Timber Company in the amount of \$1,171,282.70. Councilor Wiese seconded the motion. Mayor Rowe recused himself as his father is an administrator for one of the companies bidding on the timber sale, all other council members voted in favor of accepting the bids.

17. TIMBER SALE 2015 AWARD BID

Councilor Heaton made a motion to award the Timber Sale Contract to Scott Timber Company in the amount of \$1,171,282.70. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion. Mayor Rowe recused himself as his father is an administrator for one of the companies bidding on the timber sale, all other council members voted in favor of awarding the contract.

18. DISCUSSION ABOUT TRANSIT LODGING TAX

Councilor Short said that she has been collecting information about taxes when people stay at hotels and she thinks we need to look at it and possibly prepare an ordinance. Councilor Capehart made a motion to direct staff to create an ordinance in regards to transit lodging tax for review. Councilor Chappelle seconded the motion. Councilor Heaton said on her trip to Texas she stayed in 7 different hotels and they all had a transit lodging tax. Councilor Wiese voted no, all others voted in favor.

Attorney Muenchrath said he spoke with Mr. Stuntzner in regards to the timber contract and there were a couple of minor modifications but the contract was compliant with the public contracting principles.

19. ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Rowe adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Mayor, Matt Rowe

City Recorder, Rene Collins