

**City of Coquille
Council Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2016**

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

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Marchant, Fire Chief Waddington, Public Works Director-Planner Urban, Library Director Conner, Police Chief Sanders, City Recorder Pro Tem Stolz.

PRESS: The Sentinel

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

REGULAR SESSION

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 calls Ben down to present him with a plaque, thanking him for his 4 years of service as City Manager. Mayor took a trip to Gold Beach over Labor Day weekend and visited family, also hit up the RFP picnic out at Laverne. He appoints Caroline Barr to the Coquille Library Board, no one opposes, and Mayor calls it effective immediately. Announced he won't be running for Mayor again. Shares the new blinking school zone light and warns people the Central MPH has changed from 40 to 30MPH. Good news on the fishing station, it is almost complete and Kevin says its close we just need lights and cutting boards.

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Graham invites everyone to the River walk clean up this Saturday from 10 to 12. Chief ads there will be a dumpster and furnishing rubber gloves and trash bags.

Councilor Heaton brought her brother in and sister from California to meeting. They went sightseeing in Coquille to the carousel and garage sale, tomorrow the fish cleaning station.

Councilor Weise wishes Ben the best of luck in moving on.

Councilor Chappelle tells Ben hopes he likes the weather and good luck.

Councilor Short went to see the fish station for the first time and the Gazebo by the pool. She says River walk has beautiful posters for sale for \$15. She went to city wide garage sale and came home with a kitten.

Councilor Capehart- Dennis and I attended 42 and Spruce in Myrtle Point, it's an organization that is working on fixing up the town. City Hall week is next week in Coos Bay. Rotary auction is October 22nd.

5. SWEAR IN OFFICERS

Chief Sanders and Chuck Dufner swear in under oath long time reserve Chris Ulm and new city police officer Chris Webster.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Police Chief Sanders tells council they have converted Janice's Tahoe to K-9 accessible for Kara. Library Director Connor states that there will be a 1pm meeting with Joe Slack

professionals brainstorming for the new library. 1st Saturday in November is Trivia night at library. Fire Chief states that this Saturday is the Coquille High School Hall of Fame Banquet dinner at the community building. Thanked everyone for supporting the steak feed and car show. The event broke their own record with 164 cars and 1100 meals served. Thanks Ben for his leadership and service with fire and EMS. Second Thursday in October will be open house and Fire Prevention week. Public Works Kevin says good luck to Ben, you will be missed. Says there is a roof going on the Gazebo sometime next week, and they are putting round tables inside that are handicap accessible. Says our docks are on private party at this time and the owner is reluctant to allow us on his property to retrieve them. He said if river was high enough and we had a big enough boat we could retrieve them from the river side but not easily. We would need a crane and a barge and would that be worth it to just buy new ones. Good news- finalized the grant on the 8th and we came in 5th out of 14 for our 5th street park and we get \$65,000 to spend on new play equipment for the park. Kathy raised funds for grills and picnic tables for the fishing station and Councilor Heaton would like to thank her as Kevin did also. Councilor Short asks if we have a sign up on 42 showing where the park is? Kevin said there isn't one to his knowledge and we would have to petition ODOT for one. Dufner announces publicly are earnings for the month are at 2.9%. Attorney Muencrath says it's nice to be back and see everyone and wishes Ben a good farewell.

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Marchant asks the councilors about hiring a community building clerk for 15 hours a week to take reservations; they respond we will reanalyze that job after we have a new city manager in place. Ben would like to thank everyone and states Coquille is defiantly his favorite town and they will miss this town terribly. Councilor Graham has been talking to ODOT about a crosswalk on Birch, they were suppose to put it in as of August 2015, they say it's still on their list and its approved they are just booked with other projects. Ben says the audit of Jefferson school came back with a complimentary report for the building which says it's in great condition with a couple minor issues like the roof but all around a pretty stable building.

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Shannon Oien- 273 N Alder St has a letter she has written and would like to read aloud to council, she states Operation Coquille has not miscued funds, she is the secretary and treasurer and anyone at any time can come and get a copy of the account. On July 13th Jean Ivy posted a defamatory article that Operation Coquille has been gutted. This is an outrageous lie. We need more board members, and the Farmers Market was dropped because it was not viable to the community anymore. We reported this to the City Manager immediately as we no longer need a grant for 2017.

Don Delyrid- 275 N Alder- He is acting President of Operations Coquille; he is the founder and ran it for the first 2 years. Our main goal is to find people to run big projects and graduate from Operation Coquille. Many organizations have been formed through our group.

Annie Krensler -272 S Fourth Ct. - She is part of the Garden Club and the Garden Tours and can attest that Shannon is accountable in her jobs with Operation Coquille and the sentinel was outrageous as she chose not to seek accurate information, she should be ashamed of herself.

Thomas Konomos- 370 N Collier- He has a little doggie and takes him for a walk twice a day on a leash and his neighbor who has \$3077.00 in fines lets her dog run freely. Do we have a leash law in this town? Why can dogs just run down the street? Ben says we do not have a leash law but we do cite people for dogs running at large. Chief Sanders says he will check the ordinance for the law. Fines are for having a dog at large.

George Johnson- 1249 W. 14th St.- He is wondering if we have a lower rate we can charge the owner of

the cemetery so he can afford to water his grass. This is the resting place for many here in Coquille and it would make the town look nicer also. Council suggested we need to speak with the owner before we can do anything.

Kathy Simmonetti- States that 5th street park was really bad with drugs and litter about 5 years ago and thanks to the police and the community we have cleaned up the park. When an opening for Parks and Recreation came up she joined the committee and started fund raising for BBQ grills at the park. Kiwanis, Rotary and Figaro are along with Whoopi's donated \$630 for 3 grills. She would like to thank Ben for his guidance, we will miss you. They would like to get a plaque for the park with Rotary on it as a thank you for their donation after the project is complete.

Jackie Pinkston 490 E. 1st- Would like to thank the city for the National night out Aug 2nd. Her key club gave cotton candy away and she presumed about 400 were there.

Kathleen Dimmick- Editor of the Sentinel- Reads a letter from Jean Ivy: they are planning a candidate forum Oct. 14th for the city elections. It's a huge benefit for the voter as they secure an unbiased moderator to host the event. We have never been charged for use of the community building and would like the fees waived this time also. Council decides to put it on the agenda for the next meeting, Mayor asks to see raised hands of 3 to move forward.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR a) COUNCIL MINUTES June 20, 2016 b) APPROVE CHANGE TO LIBRARY SERVICES CONTRACT

Mayor sees some changes he would like to see made on the minutes, he has council vote to on approving the last 3 meetings minutes at the next meeting.

Mayor asks all in favor of adopting item B revised consent calendar; none opposed.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER

Councilor Heaton makes a motion to appoint Chuck Dufner; Councilor Weise seconds the motion; passes unanimously.

11. SURPLUS PROPERTY-RESCUE TRUCK

Chief Dave says that Rescue truck 11 has been out of service for 2 years and we need to surplus it out.

We used it for many years for Jaws of Life. Councilor Heaton makes a motion to use as surplus property; Councilor Weise seconds it; passes unanimously.

12. ACCEPT QUOTES FOR INFLOW AND INFILTRATION WORK

DEQ acquires we do this as part of our permits and to work on our I9 issues. Our biggest problem is man holes down Cunningham creek need to be redone, and look at the line to make sure no major issues with it. We sent out 3 quotes and received 1. Weise made the motion to accept quotes; Councilor Heaton seconds the motion accepting quotes; motion carries.

13. AWARD QUOTES FOR THE INFLOW AND INFILTRATION WORK

There are two separate projects and 2 separate bids from the same company; relining the man hole and inspection of the lines. We met our criteria for quoting to be able to award the quote. Councilor Weise makes the motion to award the quote; Councilor Heaton seconds the motion; motion carries.

14. ORDINANCE 1505 ANNEXATION AND KUPSTS PROPERTY AT 5037 N HENRY ST

No ordinance was put in the packet so we will have to wait for our next meeting to vote it in. It's the property just north of Ross estates.

15. ADJOURN AT 8:44pm

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Wiese calls the Urban Renewal to order at 8:45 pm

2. CONSENT CALENDAR a) URA MINUTES August 1, 2016

Councilor Heaton motions to approve the consent calendar; Councilor Graham seconds, the motion passes unanimously.

3. REQUEST FOR FUNDING- DENNYS PIZZA NEW ROOF

Request is to replace old leaking roof, install new roof with a TPO membrane roofing system. New flashings and vapor barrier plus 3 attic fans. Estimated total cost for project is \$21,320.00. Planned project start day is September to October 2016. Councilor Graham moves to accept the request for funding new roof at Denny's pizza; Councilor Short seconds; motion passes unanimously.

4. ADJOURN

Councilor Wiese adjourns the Urban Renewal meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Deputy City Recorder, Jennifer Stolz

Mayor, Matt Rowe
