

**City of Coquille
Council Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2018**

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Simonetti, Councilors Wiese, Nighswonger, Graham, Pinkston, Short and Wirebaugh.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Dufner, Finance Director Rowe, Police Chief Sanders, Library Director Conner, Public Works Director Urban, Fire Chief Ferren and City Recorder Stolz.

PRESS: The Sentinel

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

REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Simonetti spoke about National Night Out being August 7, 2018. There will be free swimming and skating that night.

Mayor Simonetti appointed Suzanne Leis to the Coquille Library Board.

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Wiese had no comment

Councilor Nighswonger congratulated the new Fire Chief Justin Ferren.

Councilor Graham had no comment

Councilor Pinkston said the Amling Barn could be for sale in the future and had a thought about the City purchasing the building.

Councilor Short attended the Sawduster Theatre play and enjoyed it.

Councilor Wirebaugh had no comment

5. STAFF REPORTS

Chief Sanders said ODOT is finished with their study on the traffic signs. There were two traffic signs approved, one east of the liquor store and one on 42 South. The signs are

\$4,000 each and paid for by a grant.

Library Director Conner said Saturday book sales have been successful. The Library will be down at the Kiwanis Citywide garage sale, selling paperback books.

Public Works Director Urban said they have received notice that DEQ has dropped all violations prior to December 31, 2016. We did receive another letter with new violations. Most of them relate to weather, which are considered I&I problems. DEQ thinks we need to do more to reduce our I&I but the funds are not there. We have not requested a new permit on the new plant but our City Engineer is setting up a meeting with DEQ to discuss all matters and work on the permit together.

Director Urban asked the Council what color they would like the Community Building to be painted. Council agreed to paint the building the same color but may change the trim color. Council will come together again before the painting phase if they decide they want a different color.

Mayor Simonetti asked Urban if he would add the Fire Dept flooring to the bid for non slip floors. Urban said he can if Chief Ferren can get the dimensions to him in time. The bid is ready to be sent out.

Chief Ferren announced the 32nd Steak Feed on August 4th, 2018. Steak dinners are \$20 and hot dog meals are \$10.

Finance Director Rowe stated the May 31, 2018 Seattle Northwest yield on cost is 2.04% and the duration is 2.38 years. June 30, 2018 Seattle Northwest report shows the yield on cost is 2.04% and duration is 2.30 years. Rowe thanked the estate of Laurette M. Stern for another distribution from the estate in the amount of \$100,000 for the tennis facilities, making the total \$129,090. We won't know the total available funds until the last check is received. It was suggested any ideas go to the Parks and Recreation Committee first.

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Chuck said the League of Oregon Cities has endorsed a National League of Cities Service Line Warranty Program. It is an insurance program that citizens of participating cities can sign up for that pays repair bills for broken outside water line and sewer lines up to \$8,500. It costs the city nothing and it is up to the homeowner to participate or not.

Chuck said he will be on vacation from July 20th until July 30th and asked if the Council wanted to move the Council meeting to the third week of August. Council decided the next meeting will be August 20th, 2018.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilor Wiese moved to adopt the consent calendar, Councilor Pinkston seconded, all voted in favor.

8. COUNCIL ACTION ON REAL ESTATE

Councilor Pinkston made a motion that Council take no action today and direct the City

Manager to continue negotiations and confirm that the conditions discussed can be met. Councilor Graham seconded, Councilor Wiese, Pinkston and Wirebaugh agreed and Councilor Short voted opposed.

9. LABOR CONTRACT FOR COQUILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATION FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

Councilor Graham moved to approve the labor agreement by and between the City of Coquille and the Coquille Police Officers Association effective July 1, 2018 and expiring June 30, 2021. Councilor Nighswonger seconded, all voted in favor.

10. ACCEPT BIDS FOR TIMBER SALE AND AWARD CONTRACT

Councilor Wiese moved to accept bids from Scott Timber Company and Swanson Group, Councilor Graham seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Councilor Pinkston moved to award the bid to Scott Timber and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract for the price of \$1,289,291.80. Councilor Nighswonger seconded, all voted in favor.

11. PUBLIC HEARING -DISCUSS PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY 50 ACRES OF TIMBER PROPERTY.

Mayor Simonetti opened the public hearing at 7:52 pm

Discussion:

Councilor Wiese, Chair of the Forest Committee said this is the best offer he has seen and he highly recommends Council take this offer into consideration.

Councilor Pinkston explained to the audience that property tax doesn't pay for other things besides police and fire. City of Coquille is dependent on other sales, grants and loans to run. Buying timber and harvesting it in years to come so the City of Coquille can have roads and streets that keep the City going.

Public Hearing closed at 8:03 pm

12. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE PURCHASE OF TRACT 1 AND TRACT2 OF COOS COUNTY TIMBERLAND

Councilor Wiese made a motion to authorize the City Manager to execute a purchase agreement with Aaron Barrett and Kara O'Halloran for the acquisition of two timber parcels at a price not to exceed \$250,000.00 plus closing cost. Councilor Pinkston seconded, all voted in favor.

**13. ORDINANCE 1508 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE
REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE 1493, IMPOSING A THREE (3)
PERCENT TAX ON THE SALE OF MARIJUANA ITEMS BY A MARIJUANA
RETAILER , AND MAKING CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE
CITY OF COQUILLE**

Councilor Graham made a motion to read by title only, Ordinance 1508 An Ordinance of the City of Coquille repealing and replacing Ordinance 1493, imposing a three (3) percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer, and making changes to the Municipal Code of the City of Coquille. Councilor Wiese seconded, the City Recorder took a roll call:

Councilor Wiese aye

Councilor Nighswonger aye

Councilor Graham aye

Mayor Simonetti aye

Councilor Pinkston nay

Councilor Short aye

Councilor Wirebaugh aye

Motion carried.

**14. RESOLUTION 16 2018 A RESOLUTION APPROVING REFERRAL TO THE
ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE THE QUESTION OF IMPOSING A
THREE PERCENT TAX ON THE SALE OF MARIJUANA ITEMS BY A
MARIJUANA RETAILER WITHIN THE CITY**

Councilor Wirebaugh made a motion to pass Resolution 16-2018, Councilor Nighswonger seconded. Councilors Wiese, Graham, Wirebaugh, Nighswonger, Short and Mayor Simonetti voted in favor, Councilor Pinkston voted opposed.

15. DISCUSSION OF TRANSIT ROOM TAX AND ITS USES

Ms. Danessa Rains and her partners would like to discuss the transient room tax for the motel they purchased in Coquille. Carina Johnson 1857 20th St Myrtle Point, Oregon came to represent her partners on this matter. Council decided to table this agenda item and asked Ms Johnson to come with a specific agenda item in writing stating what they are asking Council.

16. ACCEPT ALL BIDS AND AWARD LOW BID FOR DOCK MANUFACTURING

Councilor Wiese moved to accept the bids for dock manufacturing, and Councilor Graham seconded, all voted in favor.

Councilor Wiese moved to award the bid to CR Fabrication Ltd, for \$259,708.81, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

17. RESOLUTION 17-2018 -A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CITY OF COQUILLE'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE

Councilor Graham voted to approve Resolution 17-2018, Councilor Nighswonger seconded, all voted in favor.

18. ADJOURN

URBAN RENEWAL

1. Called to order at 8:30 pm
2. Councilor Wiese moved to accept the consent calendar, and Councilor Graham seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
3. **ADJOURN**