

**City of Coquille  
Council Meeting Minutes  
May 1, 2017**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Simonetti, Councilors Hugh Pinkston, Julie Nighswonger, Kyle Wirebaugh, Loran Wiese, and Linda Short.

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Dufner, Finance Director Rowe, Fire Chief Waddington, Police Chief Sanders, Public Works Director Urban, Library Director Anne Conner and City Recorder 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 Simonetti called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. RECOGNITION OF GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Mayor Simonetti presented basketball awards to 4<sup>th</sup> grade basketball team coached by Council member Kyle Wirebaugh.

**4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Mayor Simonetti spoke about how educational her trip to China was, there were three Chambers there representing Oregon. Reminded everyone about Gay 90's coming up June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Appointed Terry Nighswonger to the Forest Land Management Board.

**5. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Wiese said he is on grandbaby watch.

Councilor Nighswonger announced if you would like to be in the parade for Gay 90's please going to Chamber office and fill out a form, her and her husband had a great time on their four day cruise.

Councilor Graham announced the installation and dedication for the three interpretive signs at the River walk will be Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Short thanked the Police Department for sending abatement letter to eye soar across from Curves. It was an eye soar and now is all cleaned up. Suggested we have a workshop before every council meeting to discuss issues that some don't understand, give their input, so we can all be better prepared for the Council Meeting. Mayor Simonetti took a consensus for meeting at 6 pm before every council meeting, most were in favor. It is not a requirement to attend.

Councilor Pinkston said street lights are not shining on the cross walks like they should be; he would like to see more lights.

Councilor Wirebaugh congratulated his basketball team for their win at the tournament.

## **6. STAFF REPORTS**

Finance Director Julie Rowe announced as of March 31, 2017 finance report, the yield is 2.13%, and duration is 2.64 years.

Police Chief Sanders said they had a great time at the K-9 fundraiser; they have raised about \$5700. Three officers are at the academy, they check in every week. The records clerk is keeping up on all the abatement letters. After all officers are back from academy we will have more time for an officer to spend on abatement issues. The drug drop off was a huge success.

Fire Chief Waddington gave kudos to Kyle and his basketball team.

Public Works Director Urban said as many know the new Gazebo was vandalized by some children. We have ordered the new spindles to be replaced. When the sidewalks are added an ADA ramp into the Gazebo will also be built.

We were successful with the grant to restripe the parking lot at Sturdivant Park, the project will be completed as weather permits.

Our contractor has completed the outside roof repair on the Pool House. Now he is letting the area inside dry completely, and then will finish the project.

Library Director Conner said the author they had for Tidal Wave Project was the best they have had so far, he was great at story telling. The Co-operation is working really well. Councilor Graham said he has used it and was pleased with the system.

## **7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Dufner said we have only had five applicants for the lifeguards, and we need at least 20 to run the pool all summer efficiently. We have called Cardinal to see if they have anyone interested along with the pool at North Bend. Lifeguards need to be certified every two years.

There is a situation with adult intramurals at the Community Building where children are coming in and our insurance is nervous they may get hurt. Our insurance agent Clay Davis came to answer any questions so we can come up with a compromise. A few parents came to the meeting to share they are unable to attend if children are not allowed, and under their watch no children have been out of control. They agreed to designate an area (marked off with an orange gate) to where the children can only be during the adult intramurals.

City Manager would like the council to appoint a sub-committee to meet and consider real estate activities that can be discussed in a small group before presented to council. Councilors Wirebaugh, Pinkston, and Wiese were appointed to the new sub-committee.

## **8. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilor Graham made a motion to accept the council minutes from January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

**9. RESOLUTION 03-2017- A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO TRAFFIC AND PARKING IN THE CITY OF COQUILLE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON**

We received a letter from Sawdust Theatre requesting two handicapped parking spaces at the corner of E. 1<sup>st</sup> and Adams.

Councilor Wiese moved to adopt Resolution 03-2017, Councilor Pinkston seconded, all voted in favor.

**10. STREET SWEEPING CONTRACT**

The City is asking the council to approve to enter into a contract for \$65 per hour with Coast Pavement Maintenance Inc.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to not exceed \$65 an hour, Councilor Short seconded. Councilor Pinkston made an amendment to motion to have a one year period of review, motion carries.

**11. RESOLUTION 04-2017 REPEALING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION 12-2014, COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF COQUILLE**

A resolution extending the City of Coquille Workers' Compensation to include volunteers watering flower baskets and planters.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Resolution 04-2017, Councilor Pinkston seconded, all voted in favor.

**12. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Simonetti spoke on behalf of Myra from the Garden Club. She wants permission to do a cleanup day on May 25<sup>th</sup> before Gay 90's celebration.

**13. ADJOURN at 9:37 pm**

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City Recorder, Jennifer Stolz

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Mayor, Kathi Simonetti

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