

CITY OF COQUILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 5, 2012

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Matt Muenchrath, Council President Loran Wiese, Councilors E.N. “Corky” Daniels, Bryan Baird, Loran Wiese, Fran Capehart, Tim Spanberger, and Linda Short.

STAFF PRESENT: Acting City Manager and Finance Director Chuck Dufner, Police Chief Janice Blue, Fire Chief Dave Waddington, Public Works & Planning Director Kevin Urban, City Attorney John Trew and Deputy Recorder Rene Collins.

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

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

2. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Muenchrath said welcomed everyone to the March council meeting. He said the work session concerning the development of the GP site and economic development in our area was successful and a lot of good ideas were discussed. He said there is a lot of building going on in the City such as the pool, sewer plant and hospital and it looks good.

3. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Capehart said she attended the small cities last week and said there were 27 applicants for the City Manager position at that time. The Small cities meeting will be held in Coquille next time in May 17; they will tour the hospital and the pool beginning at 11:00. Council is invited to attend the small cities meeting in May.

Councilor Short said there will be a pool meeting tomorrow at 1:00 p.m. and it is open to the public. She invited everyone to attend the free South Coast Wood Carvers show on March 24th & 25th at the North Bend Community Center; there will be demonstrations, carvers and items to purchase.

Councilor Spanberger liked the recent sunshine and encouraged everyone to come attend the Taco Fiesta at 5:30 at the community building which will benefit the freshman high school class.

Councilor Baird watched some of the local basketball and was sorry to see them lose. He went to Coos Bay to watch the tournament and thought we might ask the teams in the future if they would like to practice here to bring money to Coquille.

4. STAFF REPORTS

Fire Chief Waddington thanked everyone who attended the Pancakes for Life; the turnout was great. He is the Varsity Baseball coach this year for the high school and it has been fun. Mayor Muenchrath asked if there is a liability for others to use the Fire Station to meet; Chief Waddington said he did not believe so.

Police Chief Blue did not have anything to add but she will be reading the Dr. Seuss books to the kids this week. Chief Blue has been receiving cards from citizens thanking the officers for their road side service.

Public Works Director Urban said he did not have anything to add to his report. Mayor asked about prioritizing the things that need to be done at the community building, Urban said the money that was budgeted was used on the apartment to bring it back to good shape. He would like to get as many things done this year with the money that is left and then budget for the kitchen next year; he will come back with a list. Council is concerned about the additional cost of \$5,000 for the utility vault. Urban said if we choose not to pay the money it can cause a delay in the process; council asked to be kept apprized of the situation. Urban will apply for a grant for transportation and growth management which could help the cost of study to figure out the best solution to the problem on Shelly Road.

Finance Director Dufner said the investment account is doing well at 4.27 %. The managers have been given their budget reports to start working on. The URA can only borrow money from special revenue funds (Library & Fire Funds) for special revenue projects, so Dufner will lower the loan amount to \$200,000 for the pool construction and those funds can be borrowed from the water fund.

5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Glenda Hales asked the rental fees be waived for Coos County Citizen Corps Council (5 C's); they provide free training for 3 days for emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation. Councilor Daniels made a motion to waive the rental fees for Coos County Citizen Corps Council except for the floor fee. Councilor Capehart seconded the motion. Councilor Baird abstained as he is part of the emergency response team; all others voted in favor. The City employees may attend it they would like. Glenda Hales gave brief overview of the training process and said no prior sign up is required.

The City has received the distinguished budget presentation award for 2011's budget for the sixth year.

Dufner will be working with code red on getting that system up and running so it can be used.

Contacts have been signed with Dyer Partnership to work on the SDC ordinance process and John Howell for the Charter Communications audit.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nancy Keller, Rink Creek Lane, has been working on the Gay 90's being a kid friendly event by planning some kid's art activities and games. There is a thought of karaoke wars pay to sing or not to sing. May 12, 2012 there will be a dance recital. The JV Chess team placed overall state champions; the High School Varsity team received 2nd place. Erin Grabinsky placed 1st at the state championships and the middle school team placed second. The Gay's 90 meeting is Thursday at 9:00 a.m. Council commented how well the kids are doing and they are proud of them.

Ethel Petry, Coquille, would like to have the stripes on Central painted and has been asking for 2 years as it is getting more difficult to see them. Planner Urban said the painting will not be until the spring, hopefully the county will put Central on the list. Mayor Muenchrath asked her to return in May to see how the painting process is going.

Doug Landis, 10846 Middle Creek Rd. Myrtle Point, is new to the year and is rebuilding the Nash property. He feels that there is a need to provide jobs for ages 20 to 25, he has rented the bank building from Marcy for a year and will be working on a business that will provide an artistic presentation and get people to think and talk about things without insulating others. The profit side will help inventors sell their inventions.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

- City Council minutes of February 6, 2012

Councilor Capehart made a motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. Councilor Wiese seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

8. DYER PARTNERSHIP – WASTEWATER PLANT UPDATE (WWTP)

Steve Major gave an update on WWTP and reported they may be a little ahead of schedule at this time. The report was given to the City so that it could be put on the web site.

9. ROBERT JUMP – SMOKE ON THE WATER/SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM UPDATE

Robert Jump thanked Council for the \$2,000 donation to help with the prize money. We have applied for KC BBQ association for a sanctioned event and the approval meeting is this month and there should not be any problems. The Mill Casino will be putting on a contest in May with \$5,000 in prize money. The date for our event is September 8, 2012. Some teams like to compete in every state and there are only two in Oregon. Letters asking for help will go out this week and it takes the other organizations support to make this event a success. 4H will be bringing a litter of baby pigs for the kids to see. Sampling will be available for BBQ bucks which in turn you will receive a 4oz sample. Some of the music will be the same but there will be some new acts also. Mr. Jump will be investigating having some different types of beverages. Other cities will be invited to participate. Drew Soloman will be donating his time for this event and he has volunteered to do a monthly free concert in Sturdivant Park.

10. RESOLUTION 04-2012 – A RESOLUTION FOR THE BOUNDRY CHANGE OF THE COQUILLE VALLEY ENTERPRISE ZONE

Interim City Manager Dufner said that the former Bandon Cheese Factory building site was omitted during the 2008 enterprise zone designation in error. The City has been asked to pass a resolution agreeing to change the boundary to include that area.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to approve resolution 04-2012 for enterprise zone boundary change of the Coquille Valley enterprise zone. Councilor Spanberger seconded the motion: all voted in favor.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Muenchrath adjourned the meeting at 8:10

Mayor, Matt Muenchrath

Deputy Recorder, Rene Collins