

CITY OF COQUILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2010

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Steve Britton, Councilors E.N. "Corky" Daniels, Loran Wiese, Bruce Parker, Linda Short, and Fran Capehart.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Terence O'Connor, Public Works Director John Higgins, Fire Chief Waddington, Library Director Anne Conner, City Attorney John Trew and Deputy Recorder Rene Collins.

PRESS: Coquille Valley Sentinel

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Britton called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Britton introduced School Superintendent Mr. Sweeney.

Mayor Britton said he received an apology letter from a juvenile saying they were sorry for vandalizing 5th Street Park and he thought that was very nice and said the children will complete 24 hours of community service.

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Short said she went to conference in Salem over the weekend and she heard about how they organized getting and funding their local carousel and it was very exciting.

Councilor Capehart said the Coquille Garden Tour was a success and the proceeds were donated to the River Walk Fund and there was also a car show at Sturdivant Park. On Thursday the 22nd the vintage cars will be coming for lunch at Fraizers and then they will tour the historic homes.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Fire Chief Waddington said on August 7th the 23rd Annual Steak Feed and car show will be held at Sturdivant Park and invited everyone to come. Volunteer Fire Fighter of the Year is Rich Hopkins for the State of Oregon. Chief Waddington is very proud of all of his volunteers. Mr. Hopkins has 41 years with the Fire Department and always works very hard. Mr. Hopkins thanked the City and the Fire Department.

Planning Director Higgins said he did not have anything to add to his report at this time except that the street signs are being changed out.

Library Director Conner said it is the Library Districts 30th anniversary. The summer reading program is going very well and there will be a magician on Wednesday.

Police Chief Dannels said National Night Out is August 3rd and invited everyone to attend it will start at 6:00. He said there have been some continuing talks about SRO with Mr. Sweeny and hopes to have an answer by the end of the week.

City Manager O'Connor said Finance Director Dufner report states \$10,600,000 is the estimated cost of the WWTP and the City is considering asking DEQ for an additional 1.2 million due to their low rates during construction and then refinance with the USDA when the project is complete.

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager O'Connor said after not hearing from the State Parks regarding the River Walk funding he contacted them and they requested comments from agencies regarding an environmental analysis. The forms are due back by July 22nd and then forwarded and hopefully soon after the State will release the award letter and the notice to proceed.

The pool project was not chosen to be funded for \$215,000 by the State Parks, they ranked 28th out of 31. They did fund 9 large requests. The State Parks Committee asked if the pool committee needed to have all of different grants listed funded and with the answer being yes, O'Connor felt that did not help. The Urban Renewal Agency needs to think about if they want to extend the current commitment of \$500,000.

There about 142 intersections in the City, 24 intersections have new signs. The City crew will continue replacing those signs as the printing is completed by the County.

Steve Major, Dyer Partnership, presented a review of the timeline and the site plan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The City will need approval from DEQ before proceeding with the project. The phosphorus removal which DEQ added as a requirement added an additional \$700,000 to the cost. The costs will be reviewed and hopefully the downward trend of construction costs will continue. City Manager O'Connor said the estimated project cost is 10,600,000, which Mr. Major thinks is a little high.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Joe Tiel, E 5th Street Coquille, said the traffic speed on 5th Street is too fast they are driving approximately 35-40 MPH and she is afraid someone will get hurt. There used to be a "children at play" sign which is missing and people are not stopping at the stop sign. Chief Dannels said the counter and radar trailer will hopefully be on the road next week and it will be put down by the park and they have spoken to the hospital staff. Planner Higgins will check on the type of sign that can be possibly placed to remind people that there are children in the area. Mayor Britton asked if there are any speed signs in those two blocks; Ms. Tiel does not think so.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. City Council minutes June 7, 2010 and June 14, 2010
- B. Resolution 14-2010 an annual resolution extending Coquille's Worker Compensation Coverage to Volunteers of City of Coquille.
- C. Liquor License for Brenda Lopez Perez for 64 W. Hwy 42 (formerly EL Tapatio)

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

9. REQUEST BY GERALD MARCA FOR A TAXI CAB LICENSE

Councilor Wiese made a motion to approve the request by Gerald Marca for a Taxi Cab License. Councilor Daniels seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

10. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY'S INTENT TO SEEK FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mayor Britton opened the public hearing at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Britton called for any comment or clarification of the request. City Manager O'Connor said this is a requirement from the USDA as part of the funding application process.

Mayor Britton closed the public hearing at 8:07

11. PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION 13-2010 TO ACCEPT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT WITH BUSINESS OREGON INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE WASTE WATER PLANT

Mayor Britton opened the public hearing at 8:07 p.m.

City Manager O'Connor said this hearing is required by the State of Oregon as part of securing the loan. The loan is for \$2,000,000 and \$500,000 in grant dollars.

Mayor Britton called for any comment or clarification of the request; there were no comments.

Mayor Britton closed the public hearing at 8:08 p.m.

12. RESOLUTION 13-2010 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT WITH BUSINESS OREGON INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE WASTEWATER PLANT

Councilor Wiese made a motion to approve resolution 13-2010 to accept financial assistance and enter into a loan agreement with Business Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority for the wastewater plant. Councilor Daniels seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

13. REQUEST FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF INCREASING PARKING VIOLATION FINES

Chief Dannels said the current parking violation fine at this time is \$10.00 and he would like to propose increasing the fine to \$25.00. Part of the request comes due to losing the Parking Enforcement Officer and it will help in returning the part time position to help with the enforcement.

Councilor Wiese made a motion to direct staff draft an ordinance and resolution to make the changes. Councilor Short seconded the motion; all voted in favor

Mayor Britton adjourned the Council Meeting at 8:12 for recess and to conduct the URA meeting before going into Executive session.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION – ORS 192.660 (2)(h) TO CONSULT WITH COUNSEL WITH REGARD TO CURRENT LITIGATION OR LITIGATION LIKELY TO BE FILED

Mayor Britton announced that the City Council would meet in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (h) for the purpose to consult with Counsel with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. It was explained that representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend, but all members of the audience are asked to leave the room. The news media cannot report on the deliberations from the executive session and no decision will be made in executive session. The executive session was opened at 9:23 p.m. Executive session was closed at 9:35 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Britton adjourned the Council Meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor, Steve Britton

ATTEST: _____
Deputy Recorder

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
July 19, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wiese called the Urban Renewal Agency meeting to order 8:17

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. URA Agency Minutes April 5, 2010
- b. URA Agency Minutes April 19, 2010
- c. URA Agency Minutes June 14, 2010

Member Short made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Member Britton seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

3. REQUEST BY TOM GOGAL OF PACIFIC AIR COMFORT FOR A REVIVAL AND MODIFICATION TO HIS PROJECT AT 16 E. 3RD STREET

Mr. Gogal said that the Pacific Air Comfort is moving back to Coquille. The difference in the original request and this one is a change to efficient windows. Member Short asked about the awnings, and he said they will come as money allows but it may not be until next year. The color of the building will be neutral beige and a stripe of coco brown.

Member Britton made a motion to approve the request by Mr. Gogal in the amount of \$20,000. Member short seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Councilor Short asked if we had a time request once a motion is passed, O'Connor said no. Chairman Wiese said

4. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wiese adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Chairman Loran Wiese

Deputy Recorder, Rene Collins