

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

December 6, 2005

The minutes of the proceedings of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon.

Those Attending

Those present were Mayor Joe Benetti and Councilors Jon Eck, Roger Gould, Jeff McKeown, John Muenchrath, and Kevin Stufflebean. Councilor Cindi Miller absent due to another meeting. City staff present were City Manager Scott McClure, Deputy Recorder Joyce Jansen, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Community Services Director Jim Hossley, Finance Director Janell Howard, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, Battalion Chief Dean Martin, Library Director Carol Ventgen, Capt. Rodger Craddock, and Capt. Gary McCullough.

Flag Salute

Mayor Benetti opened the meeting and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

Consent Calendar

Mayor Benetti reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of approval of Resolution 05-19 approving the annual increase in alum sludge rates, which is attached and hereby made part of the record, and approval of an OLCC application for SWOCC dba Oregon Coast Culinary Institute. Councilor Stufflebean moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with the Mayor and all Councilors present voting aye.

Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the Access to Holloway Mews Subdivision – Approval Will Require Adoption of Resolution 05-18

Planning Administrator Laura Barron read the public hearing disclosure to the assembly, and reported the applicants are Mr. and Mrs. David Hoover. On November 8th the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval to amend the condition on the subdivision approved in 1999. Ms. Barron reviewed the location of the subdivision and the request for access onto Seagate for Lot 8. The Planning Commission recommended approval for the access with the condition that at the time of development, Lot 8 must provide a fully improved public street, which meets City specifications, to an existing fully improved public street.

Mayor Benetti opening the public hearing. There were no comments given and the Mayor closed the hearing. Mayor Benetti asked if Councilors had ex parte contact and none was stated, and no written testimony was submitted. Councilor Stufflebean moved to adopt Resolution 05-18 which is attached and hereby made a part of the record. Councilors McKeown seconded the motion which passed with the Mayor and all Councilors present voting aye.

Consideration of Appointment to the Library Board to Fulfill Bob Adams' Unexpired Term

Mayor Benetti reported an opening on the Library Board was created when Bob Adams moved to North Bend, and explained previous board applicants are interested in fulfilling the unexpired term. Mayor Benetti asked if the Council wished to consider these applicants, or open the process to take other applications. Consensus of the Council was to consider the three current applicants. The vote was taken by ballot and Larry Plews was appointed to the Library Board.

City Attorney's Report

City Attorney McClintock stated his report would be given during the executive session.

City Manager's Report

Fire Department staff presented a remote controlled car and stuffed dog to the assembly. Battalion Chief Dean Martin reported the equipment was purchased with grant funds and will be used to teach fire safety in the area's elementary schools. Chief Gibson commented the dog will be named by school children.

City Manager Scott McClure reviewed the status of the projects list and commented the crossover sewer intergovernmental agreement has been received from North Bend. He reported the work session to discuss downtown improvement plans will be held next Wednesday, and the next meeting of the Empire Waterfront Committee will be held on the 15th.

Public Comments

Butch Schroeder, North Bend, commented that several historic buildings have been torn down over the years and he would like to see the Egyptian Theater preserved. He noted there is more to consider than just the purchase price and that funds would be necessary to get the facility back in order and to maintain the building.

Council Comments

Councilor Gould commented he would be out of town and not available for the next Council meeting, and he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Mayor Benetti reported the tree lighting and Santa's arrival at the fire station was successful and reminded everyone of the Economic Outlook Forum on Friday, the Bay Area Concert on the 8th, and the lighted boat parade on Saturday.

Executive Session

Mayor Benetti recommended postponing the executive session until after the Urban Renewal Agency meeting. Councilor McKeown moved to postpone the executive session. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with the Mayor and all Councilors present voting aye.

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An executive session was held following the Urban Renewal Agency meeting, pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (d) for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations and (e) for the purpose of discussion real property transactions.

The Council reconvened into regular session.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Benetti adjourned the meeting to December 20, 2005 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Joe Benetti, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Jansen, Deputy Recorder