

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL**

**March 16, 2010**

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 the City Council Meeting**

Those present were Mayor Jeff McKeown and Councilors Mark Daily, Jon Eck, Joanie Johnson, Gene Melton, and John Pundt. Councilor Stephanie Kramer was absent. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Rae Lea Cousens, Intermediate Accountant Amy Kinnaman, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, City Engineer Carl Nolte, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, Library Director Carol Ventgen, and Acting Police Chief Gary McCullough.

**Flag Salute**

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

**Consent Calendar**

Mayor McKeown reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 2a: approval of the minutes of February 23, and March 2, 2010; 2b: acceptance of the February accounts receivable and payable check registers; 2c: acceptance of the February combined cash reports; 2d: approval of an OLCC license application for Best Western Motel; and 2e: approval of award of bid for the Fire Station Furniture to Business Interiors for \$101,155.25 and to Express Blinds and Beyond for \$13,430. Councilor Pundt moved to approve the consent calendar for the approval of the minutes of February 23, and March 2, 2010, accept the February accounts receivable and payable check registers and combined cash reports, approve an OLCC license application for Best Western Motel, and approve an award of bid for the Fire Station Furniture. Councilor Eck seconded the motion. Councilor Daily requested item 2e, approval of award of bid for the Fire Station Furniture be moved to the agenda for further discussion. Councilor Pundt amended his motion to approve the consent calendar for the approval of the minutes of February 23, and March 2, 2010, accept the February accounts receivable and payable check registers and combined cash reports, approve an OLCC license application for Best Western Motel and move item 2e, an award of bid for the Fire Station Furniture to the agenda for further discussion. Councilor Eck re-seconded the motion as amended which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Melton, and Pundt voting aye. Councilor Stephanie Kramer was absent.

**Approval of the Household Hazardous Waste Management Plan**

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated over the past several years the City of Coos Bay along with all municipalities within Coos and Curry Counties were involved in a collaborative effort to develop a household hazardous waste management plan. The proposed plan called for the construction of a permanent facility for the drop-off and processing of household hazardous waste at the Beaver Hill Disposal Site; and called for each county to hold up to four collection

events for household and small business hazardous waste each year. Mr. Craddock noted the program would be funded with an increase in the tipping fees; the 2010 estimated average increase for residential customers was an additional \$0.28 per month per household, and \$0.39 per month, per container for Commercial customers. Mayor McKeown suggested the plan was open ended and was concerned with the increased costs to rate payers. Councilor Daily suggested the responsibility for proper disposal of household hazardous waste should fall to the hazardous waste producers. Councilor Eck stated there was an immediate need for developing a means for proper disposal of hazardous materials. Councilor Pundt suggested the plan was the responsible thing to do. Councilor Pundt moved to authorized staff to negotiate and draft an Intergovernmental Agreement for the Household Hazardous Waste Management Plan for future review and approval by the Council. Councilor Melton seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Eck, Johnson, Melton, and Pundt voting aye and Councilor Daily voting nay. Councilor Stephanie Kramer was absent.

**Approval of Award of Bid for the Fire Station Furniture**

Fire Chief Stan Gibson requested approval for award of bid to Business Interiors for \$101,155.25 and to Express Blinds and Beyond for \$13,430. Mr. Gibson noted bids were within the architect's estimate for the project and were within the project budget. Councilor Eck moved to approve the award of bid for the Fire Station Furniture to Business Interiors for \$101,155.25 and Express Blinds and Beyond for \$13,430. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Melton, and Pundt voting aye. Councilor Stephanie Kramer was absent.

**Coos Bay Public Library Quarterly Report by Library Director Carol Ventgen**

Library Director Carol Ventgen provided a quarterly report from October – December 31, 2009 of library activities and services offered to the public. Ms. Ventgen provided revenue and expenditure details; circulation habits of customers; visitors in the Library; research questions answered; materials added; materials withdrawn; summer reading program details; classes and workshops; and cultural offerings.

**Police Department Quarterly Report by Acting Police Chief Gary McCullough**

Acting Police Chief Gary McCullough provided a quarterly report for police activities for the October – December 31, 2009 period. Mr. McCullough provided an overview of the department's expenditures in comparison to budget; and department statistics which included: total calls for service, assigned case numbers, crimes against persons, crimes against property, behavioral crimes, traffic citations issued, code enforcement calls, and disable parking warnings issued by volunteers.

**Approval of a Temporary Moratorium on Siting of Wind Turbines – Approval Would Require Adoption of Resolution 10-04**

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated over the past several months, city

staff had received several inquiries into placement of wind energy structures. Mr. Hossley provide the Oregon Department of Energy's definition of a wind turbine; and stated technology for wind energy structures was rapidly changing, suggesting there were a variety of wind energy structure types and sizes which could have potential impacts on the area surrounding the structure. Mr. Hossley stated the commercial and industrial zoning districts had no height limitations or setback requirements and stated only building codes would apply for the structural component of the wind turbine; residential zoning districts had setbacks and height limitations. Mr. Hossley suggested the Council impose a nine month moratorium to allow time for staff to develop standards related to the safety, visual, and other impacts of wind turbine structures to the urban environment.

Terry Mills, 1650 Ocean Blvd, Coos Bay: suggested the City review proposed wind turbine projects rather than implementing a preemptive moratorium or ban on wind turbines altogether. Steve Pickering, 2170 N 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Coos Bay: stated he disliked the use of the word "private" as outlined in the proposed resolution; and suggested adding a specific time period for moratorium. City Attorney Nate McClintock clarified the word "private" referred to non public such as residential and commercial. Patricia Gouveia, Energy Director for Oregon Coast Community Action (ORCCA): stated ORCCA was in the process of developing a sustainable campus which included the use of wind turbines; and suggested placing a moratorium on all wind turbine projects was short sided. Mayor McKeown stated the City currently did not have the ability to differentiate between good and bad projects due to a lack of standards. Jody McCaffree, North Bend: stated she worked with Oregon Solutions whose focus was to bring alternative energy to the area; stated she did not support the proposed moratorium and suggested each project should be reviewed on a case by case basis. City Attorney Nate McClintock clarified the City could not make decisions on a case by case basis due to a lack of standards for reviewing and suggested the purpose of the moratorium was to allow time for staff to draft standards. Gino Landrum, 63281 Clover Drive, Coos Bay: reminded the council that they had previously discussed the use of wind energy for use by the Egyptian Theatre and Coos Art Museum. Melvin Leshner, North Bend: suggested the time frame for the moratorium as recommended by council was reasonable.

Councilor Pundt moved to adopt resolution 10-04 declaring a temporary moratorium on the siting of wind turbines with a change that puts a finite date of 90 days, or three months. Councilor Melton seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Melton, and Pundt voting aye. Councilor Stephanie Kramer was absent.

### **Public Comments**

Melvin Leshner, North Bend: suggested the City needed to make changes to address the lack of available parking in the downtown; Dana Gobb, Charleston: suggested there were many items in the Lockhart Building that could be recycled. Gino Landrum, 63281 Clover Drive, Coos Bay: expressed concern over government waste.

### **City Attorney's Report**

City Attorney Nate McClintock stated he was working on revising the business license ordinance but was waiting for feedback from the Renters Association.

**City Manager's Report**

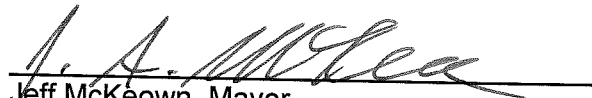
City Manager Rodger Craddock reminded the Council of the open house for the Pedway design project on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00 pm to be followed by an Urban Renewal Agency work session.

**Council Comments**


Councilor Daily inquired if an engineer's report was available for the Chandler Building. Councilor Johnson recommended supporting local businesses, museums and theater to help grow the local economy. Mayor McKeown commented he recently visited the Surf Shop located in downtown Coos Bay and report a positive experience.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor McKeown adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for April 6, 2010 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

  
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Jeff McKeown, Mayor

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Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder