

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

September 20, 2011

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 Crystal Shoji and Councilors Jennifer Groth, Joanie Johnson, Stephanie Kramer, Gene Melton, John Muenchrath, and Mike Vaughan. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Acting Finance Director Susanne Baker, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, Economic Revitalization Administrator Joyce Jansen, Library Director Carol Ventgen, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, and Police Captain Cal Mitts.

Flag Salute

Mayor Shoji opened the meeting and asked Eura Washburn to lead the Council and assembly in the salute to the flag

Public Comments

No comments were given.

Consent Calendar

Mayor Shoji reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 3a: approval of the minutes of September 6, 2011; 3b: acceptance of the August 2011 accounts payable and payroll check registers; and 3c: acceptance of the August 2011 combined cash report. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the consent calendar approving the minutes of September 6, 2011, accepting the August 2011 accounts payable and payroll check registers, and accepting the August 2011 combined cash report. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath, and Vaughan voting aye.

Update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant #2 Facility Plan Amendment Progress

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the Wastewater Treatment Plant facilities plan process commenced in 2004; the facilities plan was approved by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in 2008; the predesign process then commenced in 2008; and due to changes in wastewater discharge permit requirements, DEQ required an amendment to the facilities plan. Garrett Pallo of Civil West Engineering reported on the progress of the Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 facilities plan, provided a 50% update on the planning progress on the evaluation of a wide range of alternatives; and identified a small range of technologies capable of providing wastewater service. Up to sixteen different alternatives were evaluated through a cost matrix which were narrowed to four (sequencing batch reactor, \$16M – 17.5M; extended aeration – conventional method, \$17M - \$18M; oxidation ditch \$17.5M – \$18.5M; package activated sludge, \$19M – \$20M); introduced the peer review process on the 50% plan submittal; and addressed the progress towards preparation of the 95% plan submittal

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for review by DEQ. Councilor Groth asked where the Council decision points would be and Mr. Pallo stated at the 95% plan submittal, prior to submission to DEQ.

Semi-Annual Report on the Police Department by Police Chief Gary McCullough

A retirement presentation was made by Police Captain Cal Mitts for Police Canine Niels. Police Captain Mitts stated Niels, a Belgium Malinois, has served the citizens of Coos Bay for over 190 deployments, with more than 95 captures, and retrieval of countless pieces of evidence; and stated no other police canine dog handling team have had more success than Neils and Police Captain Chris Chapanar. Police Captain Cal Mitts thanked Ocean Blvd Veterinary, Coquille Valley Veterinary, Puppy Love, and the numerous donors who have helped to make the canine program a success. Police Captain Cal Mitts presented to Police Captain Chris Chapanar a retirement plaque for Niels from the Coos Bay Police Officer's Association. Police Captain Chris Chapanar thanked the Lion's club for their generous donation whereby making the purchase of Niels possible; and thanked the City of Coos Bay for the opportunity to be a dog handler.

Police Chief Gary McCullough presented the Police Department's semi-annual report for January through June 2011 which included statistics on total calls for service, assigned case numbers, crimes against persons, crimes against property, behavioral crimes, traffic citations issued, code enforcement calls, and disabled parking warnings issued by volunteers. Police Chief Gary McCullough also presented statistics on training requirements for the police personnel and the accumulated training hours from January through June 2011.

City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Nate McClintock reminded the Council to complete and return the City Manager performance evaluation; stated a summary of the Department Head's evaluations was provided; and stated an executive session would be held on October 4th for the City Manager's performance evaluation.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated Cindi Miller extended her appreciation to City staff for their assistance in making the Fun Festival a success; and reminded the Council of the National Estuaries Day activities on September 24th.


Council Comments

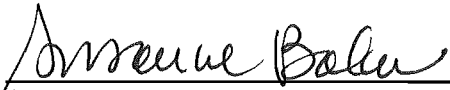
Councilor Melton thanked the entire south coast and community members for the great support for the recent Veterans Stand Down, helping over 200 homeless veterans. Councilor Kramer stated she had fun participating in Fun Festival and stated the Boat Building grand reopening would be September 24th, starting at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Shoji stated a letter was received from John Littlefield expressing appreciation for the renovation work at the swimming pool; stated Jerry Lesan expressed thanks for the spring and fall brush pickup wherein Mayor Shoji thanked Coos Bay Sanitation for their participation; and stated the Latino community invited the City Council and staff representatives to attend a meeting on Tuesday October 25th, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., at the MiRanchita to discuss community relations with the Latino community. Mayor Shoji stated the City of North Bend Council, Mayor, and staff representatives were also invited.

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Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Shoji adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for October 4, 2011 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.


Crystal Shoji, Mayor

Attest: 
Susanne Baker, Acting City Recorder