

## **MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**January 3, 2017**

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 Council President Jennifer Groth and Councilors Lucinda DiNovo, Drew Farmer, Stephanie Kilmer, Stephanie Kramer, and Phil Marler. Mayor Joe Benetti was absent. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Susanne Baker, Deputy Finance Director Amy Kinnaman, Library Director Sami Pierson, Public Works Director Jim Hossley, Fire Chief Mark Anderson, and Police Chief Gary McCullough.

### **Flag Salute**

Council President Groth opened the meeting and led the Council and assembly in the salute to the flag.

### **Public Comments**

No public comments were given.

### **Consent Calendar**

Council President Groth reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 3a: approval of the minutes of December 13 and 20, 2016; 3b: acceptance of a hazardous material emergency preparedness grant; 3c: ratification of Mark Mattechek's appointment to the Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB) Board as the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) representative; 3d: approval of a Coos County Library Service District (CCLSD) Ready to Read grant for the Extended Service Office (ESO), and; 3e: acceptance of a State of Oregon Library Ready to Read grant for the Coos Bay Public Library. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the consent calendar approving the minutes of December 13 and 20, 2016, accepting a hazardous material emergency preparedness grant, ratifying Mark Mattechek's appointment to the VCB Board as the BACC representative, approving a CCLSD Ready to Read grant for the ESO, and accepting a State of Oregon Library Ready to Read grant for the Coos Bay Public Library. Councilor DiNovo seconded the motion which carried with Council President Groth and Councilors DiNovo, Farmer, Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler voting aye. Mayor Benetti was absent.

### **Presentation of Appreciation Plaque for Carmen Matthews**

Carmen Matthews was not present to accept his plaque. Mr. Matthews served on the Parks Commission July 2012 through December 2016.

### **Appointments to Library of Board and Planning Commission**

Two applications were received for appointment to the Planning Commission to fulfill one opening on the Board. Applications were received from Chris Hood who previously served on

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the Planning Commission for over ten years and Ainslie Krans who was a new applicant. City Manager Rodger Craddock stated Mr. Krans advised him that he would not be available the first three months of each year due to other obligations. By action of council ballot, the Council appointed Chris Hood to the Planning Commission to fulfill Philip Marler's unexpired term ending December 31, 2019.

Two applications were received for appointment to the Library Board to fulfill one opening on the Board. Applications were received from Curt Benward and Darrick Betzenderfer, who were both interviewed on December 20<sup>th</sup> for consideration of other committee openings. By action of council ballot, the Council appointed Curt Benward to the Library Board to fulfill Drew Farmer's unexpired term ending June 30, 2018.

### **Approval of After-the-Fact Increase to Purchase Property Located at Old Wireless Lane**

Public Works Director Jim Hossley stated on August 16, 2016, the City Council approved the expenditure of \$42,500 towards the purchase of a home and property (tax lots 900 and 1 000) located on Old Wireless Lane. The actual purchase cost totaled \$125,000 of which FEMA paid the remaining \$82,500. The amount previously approved by the Council back on August 2016 did not include the closing cost or the anticipated cost to demolish the home. The total amount, including closing and demolition costs, was \$140,058.37 of which the City's share was \$47,403.37. Mr. Hossley noted the City would be reimbursed a portion of the funds, up to \$8,673.75, for the City's costs associated to the demolition of the home and associated activities which would be undertaken in 2017. The deadline to close on the property was December 30, 2016 as required by FEMA. Mr. Hossley stated there was not enough time to obtain the Council's approval for the increased initial cost of the transaction prior to the closing deadline; noted the matter was discussed at the Joint Council and Urban Renewal Agency work session held on December 27, 2016.

Councilor Kramer moved to approve the after-the-fact expenditure of \$47,403.37 for the purchase of a home and property on Old Wireless Lane, closing costs, and demolition costs. Councilor Kilmer seconded the motion which carried with Council President Groth and Councilors DiNovo, Farmer, Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler voting aye. Mayor Benetti was absent.

### **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Rodger Craddock announced the City received notice from Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) due to the City's recent recommitment to move forward the new construction of wastewater treatment plant no. 2 under the DEQ mutual agreement and order (MAO), DEQ withdrew their Aug 1, 2016 unilateral modification of order; no fines were incurred.

### **Council Comments**

Councilor Kilmer announced the Coos Bay Downtown Association would be holding their annual meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> at the Black Market Gourmet. Councilor Kramer expressed concern about the public not attending the bi-weekly work sessions; suggested public access channel should attend and record the work sessions. Councilor Groth announced a Shipbuilders and Seamen presentation related to the Marshfield Pioneer Cemetery would be held at 7 p.m. on January 4<sup>th</sup> at the Coos Bay Public Library.

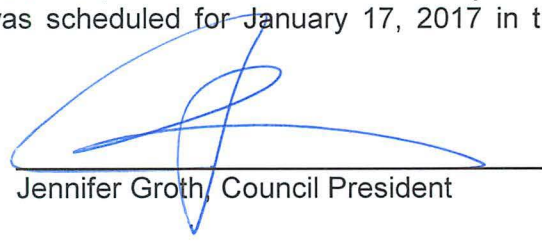
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**Executive Session**

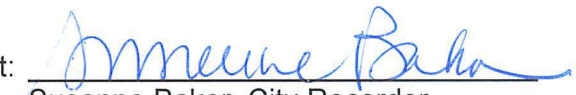
An executive session was held pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (h) for consultation with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council President Groth adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for January 17, 2017 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



Jennifer Groth, Council President

Attest:   
Susanne Baker, City Recorder