

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

April 20, 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, Stephanie Kramer, Gene Melton, and John Pundt. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Rae Lea Cousens, Deputy Finance Director Susanne Baker, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, City Engineer Carl Nolte, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, Library Director Carol Ventgen, and Police Captain Cal Mitts.

Flag Salute

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

Mayor McKeown introduced Shauna Bush, Marshfield High School Forensic's Coach, who then introduced Marshfield High School Senior Justin Rodriguez, 2009 forensic champion. Mr. Rodriguez performed a dramatic interpretation of a serious event that he has performed in forensic competitions.

Consent Calendar

Mayor McKeown reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 2a: approval of the minutes of April 6th Council Meeting and April 8th Council Work Session , 2010; 2b: acceptance of the March check registers; 2c: acceptance of the March combined cash reports; 2d: award of a phone system for City Hall (\$27,000), new Visitor Information Center (\$2,800), and new Fire Station (\$12,600) to Computer Works. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the consent calendar for approval of the minutes of April 6 and April 8, 2010; accept the March check registers; accept the March combined cash reports; and award the phone system for City Hall (\$27,000), new Visitor Information Center (\$2,800), and new Fire Station (\$12,600) to Computer Works. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

Presentation of a Proclamation on Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Week

Ms. Gina Allison read the Proclamation on Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Week. Councilor Melton moved to approve the proclamation. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

Quarterly Management Report of the Visitor Information Center by Executive Director Timm Slater

Timm Slater, Visitor Information Center Executive Director provided information to the Council

on activities of interest at the Visitor Information Center such as tourist inquiries; visitor counts; and regional information on tourism for January, February, and March.

Award of Bid for the Watershed Property Timber Sale

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the FY 2010/2011 budget includes a timber sale of 57.9 acres of land the City owns in the watershed. The sale was advertised and bids opened on April 9, 2010 with a total of three bids received (Swanson, \$776,433.70; Scott Timber, \$695,613.88; and CLR, \$646,685.00). The contract requires \$40,000 to be remitted to the City upon contract signing to be applied as a credit toward the final stumpage payment. All of the merchantable timber must be cut by August 15, 2011; the contract fully performed by December 31, 2011; the slash burning completed by March 15, 2012; and the reforestation completed thereafter. The 2010 Timber Sale would be funded from timber sale proceeds with administration contracted with Stuntzner Engineering, on a time and materials basis not-to-exceed \$26,950; reforestation costs estimated at \$18,000; and the 1980 Water Board Road Use agreement reimbursement fee of \$6.00/mbf at approximately \$14,706. Councilor Eck moved to award the 2010 timber sale to Swanson for the amounts specified on their bid form for approximately \$776,433.70. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

Councilor Kramer moved to approve the expenses to administer the 2010 Timber Sale: administration contracted with Stuntzner Engineering, on a time and materials basis not-to-exceed \$26,950; reforestation costs estimated at approximately \$18,000; and the 1980 Water Board Road Use agreement reimbursement fee of \$6.00/mbf at approximately \$14,706. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

Presentation and Approval of OMI CH2MHill's Contract Extension by Gary Young

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the first wastewater operations contract was signed with CH2MHill in 1996 to operate and maintain the City's wastewater treatment plants, collection, and storm drainage systems. The contract was renewed in 2001 with the current contract expiring June 30, 2011. The agreement may be renewed by the City for an additional ten years upon written notice to CH2MHill 270 days prior to the date of expiration. Mr. Hossley stated in order to maintain a tax exempt status for bonds the City may sell to fund wastewater system improvements, a contract with a for-profit company would need to be limited to no more than five years. Mr. Hossley stated upon extension of the contract a scope of work for services would be negotiated with CH2MHill to meet the city's current and anticipated needs. An addition to the contract would be the leasing of city owned vehicles by CH2MHill in order to obtain environmental insurance coverage. Mr. Hossley stated CH2MHill has demonstrated the ability to operate the wastewater treatment plants within the NPDES permits and extending the contract would benefit the City with continuity of wastewater treatment operations during the pending reconstruction. A Request for Quotes (RFQ) would also be an option and might provide a lower cost for the scope of services required. Mr. Hossley introduced Gary Young, CH2MHill Regional Director, who provided a history of service to the City of Coos Bay, CH2MHill abilities, and his experience with the City of Coos Bay as the Project Manager.

Councilor Daily stated he would like to see the bidding process completed to ensure the City was receiving the best price from our wastewater operator and to ensure that innovations are considered. Mayor McKeown suggested the continuity of service would benefit the City over the next five years. Councilor Eck and Pundt stated the competitive process was a good process and they were concerned with the condition of Plant 2 and the effect of changing operators during the pending construction. Councilor Kramer also stated the competitive bidding process was a concern, however, the extension would be limited to five years and also agreed with the benefits derived from the continuity of service. Councilor Eck moved to direct staff to negotiate with CH2MHill for a five year contract extension. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye. Councilor Daily voting no.

Public Comments

Steve Pickering, 2170 N 28th Street, Coos Bay: Stated he supports funding for police officers to eliminate drug use. Jamie Fereday, Coos Bay: Suggested using the high tide line as the boundary for bird hunting along the Eastside interpretive trails near Millicoma Middle School.

City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated Budget Committee meetings commence April 22nd, 27th, 29th at 7:00 p.m. at the Library and this weekend will be Coos Bay – North Bend Clean Up Day with the cost of donating items being two cans of food for local food pantries.

Council Comments

Councilor Daily stated the ban of pseudoephedrine has reduced the number of meth labs; stated a child obtained an injury from a sign on the boardwalk and requested the sign be corrected; and the next Lab Band concert will be April 25th, 2:00 p.m., at the Egyptian Theater. Councilor Johnson stated our area has a drug problem and the community support of public safety was important. Councilor Pundt stated the Council goal setting session was done extremely well, appreciated the facilitators, and was pleased with the process; and asked for an update on the Hollering Place project wherein Mr. Craddock stated staff was instructed to complete the project this summer. Councilor Kramer asked for an update from Jerry Johnson wherein Mr. Craddock stated the process was lengthy and 2011 was targeted for action. Mayor McKeown commented the Council goal setting session was exceptional and encouraged tourism in Charleston.

Executive Session

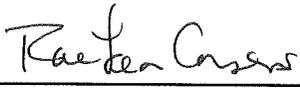
An executive session was held pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (e) for the Purpose of Discussing Real Property Transactions. The Council reconvened into regular session.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor McKeown adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for May 4, 2010 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



Jeff McKeown, Mayor

Attest: 

Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder