

City of Brookings City Council Meeting MINUTES

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415
Monday, September 28, 2015

Council met in Executive Session at 6:30 PM, in the City Manager's office, under authority of ORS 192.660(2)(f), "to consider information or records that are exempt by law," and under ORS 192.660(2)(h), "to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed."

Call to Order

Mayor Hedenskog called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call

Council present: Mayor Ron Hedenskog, Councilors Jake Pieper, Brent Hodges and Bill Hamilton; a quorum present. Councilor Kelly McClain was absent.

Staff present: Finance & Human Resources Director Janell Howard, Public Works & Development Director LauraLee Snook, Parks & Technical Services Supervisor Tony Baron, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter Jayati Ramakrishnan and approximately two others.

Ordinances

Ordinance 15-O-747 amending sign provisions in the Brookings Municipal Code.

Planning Manager Colby-Hanks gave the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to do a first reading of Ordinance 15-O-747.

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

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Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 15-O-747 [amending sign provisions in the Brookings Municipal Code].

Ordinance 15-O-746 amending the Brookings Municipal Code to prohibit smoking in all City parks.

Supervisor Baron gave provided the staff report.

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Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 15-O-746 [prohibiting smoking in all City parks].

Public Comments *on non-agenda items*

Gordon Clay commented on the poor state of the local school system and requested that the City Council form a committee to look into this and destroy the City's brochures stating that the school system provided a quality education.

Councilor Hodges asked if he'd brought his concerns to the school board. Clay said he had and Mayor Hedenskog said Council might need to appoint a liaison to the school board.

Staff Reports

Direction regarding proposed revisions to Brookings Municipal Code System Development Charge exemption provisions.

Director Snook presented the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog told staff to make sure the City Attorney reviewed the language to make sure there were no unintended consequences.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to direct staff to craft an ordinance for Council approval to implement proposed changes to Brookings Municipal Code Section 13.25.120 [revising System Development Charge exemption provisions].

Report on street maintenance projects and project financing.

Director Snook gave the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog said the fuel tax was set to run for three years so this will need to be up for a vote before it expires and Councilor Hodges said they might want to do something different if the fuel tax didn't work.

Councilor Hamilton asked if the estimate had been made on just one month and Howard said, it had, but it was just an estimate; they would know more at the end of six months or a year.

Councilor Pieper said it was a short fall only in terms of what they'd been hoping to get from the tax, but it was still more than they'd originally had, and Councilor Hamilton commended the City for the excellent work done on this.

Mayor Hedenskog said the City had a potential \$150,000 shortfall, but he agreed that the City was still better off than it had been.

Authorization to execute a Fund Exchange Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the Street Resurfacing Project.

Director Snook provided the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the 2015 Fund Exchange [to offset the cost of the 2015-16 Street Resurfacing Project].

Authorization for the City Manager to execute a contract for City vehicle and equipment maintenance and repair.

Director Snook provided the staff report and said she'd added a line in the contract requiring the vendor to provide a vehicle maintenance log as suggested by the Mayor.

Councilor Pieper asked how the financial impact could be negligible and Snook said staff had already budgeted funding for vehicle maintenance and that line item would be used to help pay for the contract.

Mayor Hedenskog said it should cost less over time and Councilor Hamilton said he had seen this happen before. Over time, Hamilton said, it will cost less.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to [authorize] the City Manager to enter into a contract for professional services with City Proficient Automotive for the maintenance and repair of City vehicles and equipment.

Authorization to execute a support letter for a Curry Community Health grant application.

Director Howard gave the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor to sign a support letter for a grant application being submitted by Curry Community Health under the Oregon Strategic Prevention Framework Partnership for Success program.

Consent Calendar

1. Approve Council minutes for September 14, 2015.
2. Receive monthly financial report for August, 2015.

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as written.

Remarks from Mayor and Councilors

Mayor Hedenskog asked people to support the Political Action Committee (PAC) promoting annexation into the health district.

Councilor Hamilton remarked on the completed Kalmiopsis school pavilion. He said it looked great and would help the children stay dry while they play. Hamilton also remarked that the smoking ban was a good idea. He said it will save the City time spent on maintenance of the grounds.

Adjournment

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Ron Hedenskog, Mayor

ATTESTED:
this 17th day of October 2015:



Joyce Heffington, City Recorder