

**City of Brookings**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415  
**Monday, April 14, 2014**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Hedenskog called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

**Roll Call**

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

Staff Present: Finance & Human Resources Director Janell Howard, Public Works & Development Director Loree Pryce, Planning Manager Donna Colby-Hanks, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Pilot Reporter Jane Stebbins and approximately two others.

**Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements**

*Dedication of Council Chambers aerial photographs.*

Director Pryce presented a plaque recognizing photographer Heidi Jenkin for the Council Chambers aerial photographs.

*Approval to reappoint Bryan Tillung to the Planning Commission.*

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to reappoint Bryan Tillung to the Planning Commission.**

**Public Hearings/Ordinances/Resolutions/Final Orders**

*Ordinance 14-O-727, amending the Brookings Municipal Code by adding tourism and limited light manufacturing to the General and Tourist Commercial District zones.*

Manager Colby-Hanks said the ordinance language was approved at the last Council meeting.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to do a first reading of Ordinance 14-O-727 by title only.**

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to do a second reading of Ordinance 14-O-727 by title only.**

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 14-O-727, [amending Brookings Municipal Code Chapters 17.52 and 17.56 to add tourism and limited light manufacturing to General and Tourist Commercial District zones].**

**Public Comments**

Tony Parrish, Brookings, thanked Public Works for its hard work in mowing along the highway and asked Council if they would direct staff to meet with him and other participants regarding a project he is proposing to construct a small water tower at Stout Park at the end of the railway and pump water into it from the well. This would replace the requirement to use 200

feet of hose to water the plants. Parrish estimated the total cost to build and install the tower to be around \$4,000. He said it would be erected where the old City water tank had been located, and would be aesthetically pleasing when completed.

Mayor Hedenskog said it looked like Parrish had a good plan.

Parrish said he thought the majority of the work could be performed by volunteers and SWOCC students.

Mayor Hedenskog pointed out that the City had a process for handling this kind of proposal, and that would begin with getting it on a Parks and Recreation proposal.

Parrish said it would take too long as they don't meet again for two months and when he was at the last meeting the Commission wouldn't agree to move it forward to Council.

Councilor Hodges said it sounded like a really good project and Councilor Hamilton agreed and added that it could be a good project for the Eagle Scouts.

Councilor McClain said he liked the concept and the City should take a look at the dollar and cents of it but he wasn't ready to commit to it at this time.

Mayor Hedenskog said it should be moved on to the City Manager.

### **Staff Reports**

*Authorization to take necessary actions for the City to join the Klamath Management Zone Fisheries Coalition.*

Director Howard provided the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog said, compared to the tourism budget, this was a small fee and salmon fishing provided a far greater benefit to the community.

Councilor Pieper said it was a small amount compared to the overall dues and subscription budgets for the various departments.

Councilor McClain said he wondered if there was a correlation between fishing and the membership and hoped this could be determined if the City decided to do this.

Mayor Hedenskog said he wasn't sure how to measure its effectiveness .

McClain said he agreed that fishing was really important to the community, but he wanted to make sure the \$500 would make a difference.

Mayor Hedenskog said perhaps the City's membership in the Coalition should be considered as indicating its solidarity, and through that solidarity, something could get accomplished.

Councilor McClain said if its effectiveness was measurable, it might be that \$500 isn't enough.

Councilor Hamilton said he objected to cities and counties having to pay twice the amount a company pays, and he had concerns about spending the money when the City had budget shortfalls. He said he would rather see it go toward replenishing the contingency fund.

Councilor Hodges said the membership fee of \$500 would give the City more "bang for the buck" than would a TV commercial. Fishing, he said, is the City's bread and butter; \$500 would pay for about two loads of gravel in the road fund.

Councilor Pieper said he thought joining the group and showing that the City is a team player was worth the \$500.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to take all necessary actions for the City to join the Klamath Management Zone Fisheries Coalition, pay the \$500 membership dues and budget for ongoing membership in fiscal [year] 2014-15.**

*Approval to extend television advertising contract with KOB Channel 5 for 60 days.*

Director Howard gave the staff report.

**Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the recommendation by the Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee to extend the televising advertising contract with KOB Channel 5 for an additional 60 days.**

**Consent Calendar**

1. Approve City Council minutes for March 24, 2014.
2. Accept a permanent Public Utility Easement for sewer main from Dennis Pryce, 300 Matot, and authorize the City Manager to sign the Easement Agreement and related documents.
3. Approve rescheduling the second May City Council meeting to Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, due to the Memorial Day holiday.
4. Approve reinstatement of Yard of the Month program.
5. Authorize the City Manager to execute a one-year Chetco River Monitoring Agreement with U.S. Geological Survey at a cost of \$10,171.
6. Accept Planning Commission minutes for January 7, February 4 and March 4, 2014.
7. Accept Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee minutes for January 16 and February 20, 2014.
8. Accept Public Art Committee minutes for January 16, January 23 and February 24, 2014.
9. Receive March 2014 monthly financial report.

Councilor Hodges asked about the Chetco River Monitoring Agreement and Director Pryce provided detail on how the data was used. Following some discussion, it was also pointed out that between 50-75% of the cost was paid back to the City by other users of the data, but USGS preferred to bill just one entity.

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

**Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Councilor Hamilton complimented staff on their rapid response in making curb cuts on Fern Avenue to improve its accessibility which he said had been really helpful to a number of people who use Fern to access the downtown area.

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Ron Hedenskog, Mayor

ATTESTED:  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014:

  
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Joyce Heffington, City Recorder