

**City of Brookings**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415  
**Monday, April 28, 2014**

Council met in **Executive Session at 6:30 PM**, in the City Manager's office under authority of ORS 192.660 (2)(e), "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions."

**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, and Kelly McClain; a quorum present. Councilor Jake Pieper was absent.

Staff Present: City Manager Gary Milliman, Finance & Human Resources Director Janell Howard, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Pilot Reporter Jane Stebbins and approximately 4 others.

Mayor Hedenskog announced that the employee anniversary recognition item was being postponed and asked Council if they would consider adding an agenda item to discuss the Gold Beach Hospital.

**Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to add a discussion of the Gold Beach Hospital [under Staff Reports].**

**Staff Reports**

*Contribution Pledge for Runway Safety Area Improvements at Del Norte County Airport.*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report.

Jeanine Galatioto, former County Administrator and consultant to the Border Coast Regional Airport Authority, stressed the project's economical importance and said permitting was ongoing and environmental work being completed.

Milliman said the BCRAA was having continuing discussions on this matter and suggested that the Mayor, as the City's member representative, might want to discuss the terms of the agreement at a future BCRAA meeting.

Galatioto said that even if they were successful in securing FAA funding, there would still be a funding shortfall.

Mayor Hedenskog said Council had determined this was important to the City's economy and while he wanted the project to succeed, he also wanted to wait for budget discussions before making a commitment and Councilor Hamilton agreed.

Councilor McClain said he thought the concept was a good one, but he needed to feel more comfortable at a budget level.

Milliman suggested that a provision could be added to the agreement stating that the contribution amount would be reconsidered at any point that additional grant funds were received.

Galitioto suggested that the CEO's of the various entities could also meet annually to review the funding status.

*Authorization to execute General Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement.*

City Manager Milliman gave the staff report and asked Council to disregard item three in the staff report as it was a Police Unit item.

Mayor Hedenskog pointed out that last year the Council had hired a professional negotiator and this year Gary had negotiated the contracts.

Councilor Hodges said he was very happy with how this year's negotiations had gone with Gary handling the negotiations.

**Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute the City of Brookings (General) and Teamsters Local Union No. 223 Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period July 1, 2014-June 30, 2017.**

*Authorization to execute Police Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement.*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report.

Councilor Hodges said there were significant cost savings in this agreement and Councilor McClain said Milliman did a great job and pointed this out as one of the reasons for hiring a professional manager.

Mayor Hedenskog said he found the CPI-based COLA adjustment very agreeable.

**Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute the City of Brookings (Police) and Teamsters Local Union N. 223 Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period July 1, 2014-June 30, 2017.**

*Approval of Management Compensation Plan.*

City Manager Milliman presented the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog said that in the past, union agreement benefits have been carried over to this group and this document was just putting that in writing.

Councilor Hamilton said it appeared to be well-written and an important document to have in the City's system.

Councilor Hodges said it evened the playing field and tied incentives to goals.

**Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the City of Brookings Management Compensation Plan.**

*Discussion regarding Gold Beach Hospital.*

Mayor Hedenskog said Curry Health Network had received the go-ahead from Oregon State officials for a new hospital at the current location but changes to new tsunami zone boundary designations being discussed at the state level would make it much more difficult to move the project forward. Hedenskog said he wanted to make it clear that Council had not been involved in this process and was not trying to do anything to stop the project.

Councilor Hodges asked if Council should adopt a resolution showing its support and Councilor Hamilton agreed that Council should make it clear that it supports the new hospital and is not against it.

Councilor McClain said the City is not in the hospital district or in Gold Beach, it was their call, not the City's, and the idea that the City could put a "kibosh" on building the hospital in Gold Beach was ridiculous.

**Consent Calendar**

1. Approve Council minutes for April 14, 2014.
2. Approve Liquor License Application for Vista Pub, 1009 Chetco Avenue.
3. Accept March 2014 Vouchers in the amount of \$198,086.54.

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

**Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Councilor Hodges apologized to the Fire Department for missing their event and Councilor Hodges remarked that he had attended and the new rapid response fire truck was "awesome."

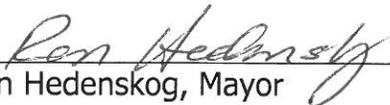
Councilor McClain said to vote yes on Measure 8-76.

Mayor Hedenskog remarked that he had also attended the banquet and found the camaraderie of the group to be amazing.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adjourn by voice vote at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Ron Hedenskog, Mayor

ATTESTED:  
this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014:

  
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Joyce Heffington, City Recorder