

City of Brookings CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415
Monday, June 23, 2014

Call to Order

Mayor Hedenskog called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Roll Call

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

Staff present: City Manager Gary Milliman, Finance & Human Resources Director Janell Howard, Public Works & Development Director Loree Pryce, Building Official LauraLee Snook, Parks & Technical Services Supervisor Tony Baron, Planning Manager Donna Colby-Hanks, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Report Jane Stebbins and approximately 14 others.

Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements

Mayor Hedenskog proclaimed July 12th and July 13th to be Relay for Life Weekend.

Mayor Hedenskog announced the cancellation of the Scheduled Public Appearance by John Hitt, South Coast Development Council.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to move [the Aquatics] item G.5 to the top [under Staff Reports] .

Oral Requests and Communications from the audience - Public Comments on non-agenda items – 5 minute limit per person.*

Staff Reports

Direction regarding a combined aquatics and community center at Bud Cross Park.

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report.

Public Comments:

Juliane Leighton, Brookings, said FBHAC would support collaborating with the City toward a conceptual plan.

Darryn Ballance, Brookings, said KASPER would support this as an after school program location.

Councilor Hamilton said he thought it would be a win-win.

Councilor Hodges asked what became of the feasibility study they were trying to get funded, and Leighton said feasibility studies go into great detail and cost a great deal of money, and people had a hard time supporting the study without being able to look at a conceptual plan.

Milliman said it would be less complex and expensive to accomplish a conceptual plan first.

In response to questions about who would run and maintain the facility, Leighton said it was unknown, but the City would own the land if the facility were built at Bud Cross and it could be that a non-profit would run it.

Milliman said this was a question to be answered as the project progresses and mentioned that it was possible it could even become a YMCA facility.

Councilor Pieper said he supported the recommendation and the location. Great ideas, he said, come down to dollars.

Councilor McClain said he liked the concept and location, but questioned its sustainability. He said the pool was a drain on the City's budget and he would hate for this to become an even bigger drain that would take funds away from other parks. It would be a huge community benefit, he said, if it pans out.

Mayor Hedenskog said he thought it was a good idea and we already have two out of three requirements to "get your foot in the door." One is support of a municipality, and the other is support of a non-profit, he said and stakeholder buy-in, is the third requirement, and the project will stand a better chance of gaining support once it's on the "concept board."

Councilor Hodges said people were already behind the idea but at some point you have to determine if it can be done. The pool is a big drain on the budget every year and a lot of pools struggle. He said he wasn't sure Bud Cross was the best spot as it already had a lot going on.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to direct staff to work with the Friends of the Brookings Harbor Aquatics Center in the development of a preliminary concept plan for a combined aquatics center and community center to be located at Bud Cross Park, and develop a program for community involvement in the design process.

Revisions to Brookings Municipal Code Title 15, Buildings and Construction.

Building Official Snook gave the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to bring back an ordinance with changes to Title 15 as specified in the staff report.

Revisions to Brookings Municipal Code Section 13.35.027 (C), pertaining to storm water regulations.

Building Official Snook presented the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog asked how it would be determined if the amount of water to be drained could be handled by existing drainage, and Snook said it would be determined using historical data, and during the building permit process when a permit is required this would be addressed by the City requiring on-site retention to determine if there's been a change in drainage amounts. The City, however, does not require permits for flat work, and so paving an existing unpaved parking area would not require City review.

Hodges asked if the City would have some say-so if the ordinance is adopted, and Snook said, no, this ordinance will remove language that implies that the City has the authority to assign liability for unpermitted work which causes a drainage problem, when it is, instead, a civil matter.

Councilor Pieper asked if this only pertained to commercial parking lots and Snook said it could also affect someone who paves their gravel driveway. Pieper said he wasn't sure he wanted to have to deal with the City if he decided to pave his gravel driveway and he wasn't sure what part the City should have in it.

McClain said the City had a lot of drainage issues and asked if the City could require permits for large paving projects and Snook said the code would need to be modified.

Considerable discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of requiring drainage plans for paving projects and it was determined that staff would bring this matter to a workshop for further review.

Authorization to negotiate and execute As Needed Engineering Service contracts.

Public Works & Development Director Pryce gave the staff report and Mayor Hedenskog said the City was starting to reap the benefits of having a licensed engineer on staff.

Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute four professional services contracts for as needed engineering services with the Dyer Partnership, Stover Engineering, RH2 Engineering and Willdan Engineering.

Approval of mural application for 630 Fleet Street.

Public Works & Development Director Pryce gave the staff report.

Councilor McClain moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the mural application for 630 Fleet Street.

Authorization to execute letter consenting to Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt's representation of South Coast Lumber Company in regards to project-related easements.

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute the Conflict Waiver Letter dated June 18, 2014, with respect to the law firm of Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt representing South Coast Lumber Company in water utility easement matters relating to the Brookings Airport Infrastructure Project.

Resolutions

Appropriations transfers for Fiscal Year 2013-14.

Director Howard provided the staff report.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 14-R-1037, approving appropriation transfers for insurance proceeds received.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 14-R-1038, accepting grants and donations and appropriating those funds.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 14-R-1039, transferring appropriations from contingency to Judicial, Legislative/Administrative, Parks and Recreation and Swimming Pool.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 14-R-1040, approving appropriating transfers in the General Fund, Tourism Fund and the Dawson Bancroft Bond funds

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 14-R-1041, approving appropriation transfers in the General Fund and Water Loan Fund.

Consent Calendar

1. Approve Council minutes for June 9, 2014.
2. Accept Planning Commission minutes for April 8, 2014.
3. Accept Public Art Committee minutes for June 2, 2014.
4. Receive May 2014 monthly financial report.

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

Adjournment

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn at 8:28 PM.

A meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency immediately followed.

Respectfully submitted:



Ron Hedenskog, Mayor

ATTESTED: 
this 16th day of July 2014:



Joyce Heffington, City Recorder