# **City of Brookings**

# **City Council Meeting MINUTES**

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

Monday, September 22, 2014

The City Council met in Executive Session at 6:00 PM, in the City Manager's office, under the authority of ORS 192.660(2)(f), "to consider information or records that are exempt by law," under ORS 192.660 (2)(e), "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions," and under ORS 192.660(2)(i), to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of a public officer who has not requested an open hearing.

#### **Call to Order**

Mayor Hedenskog called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, Public Works & Development Director Loree Pryce, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Report Jane Stebbins and approximately 5 others.

## **Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements**

Staff introduced four new employees: Court Clerk Pamela Ganey, Payroll/Accounts Payable Clerk Joy Anderson, Public Works Utility Worker Robert Breadon, and Public Works & Development RARE employee, Austin Dunn.

# **Scheduled Public Appearances**

"Oregon Great Shake-Out" presentation.

Don Kendall, County Emergency Services Coordinator, invited the City to join in on the Great Shake-Out events which will include a "fun-walk" along various exit routes, and Shake-Out at 10:16 AM on October 16. He also asked that people register on-line at: <a href="http://www.shakeout.org/register/">http://www.shakeout.org/register/</a>

## **Staff Reports**

Authorization to execute an agreement with the Oregon Hydrangea Company to land-apply biosolids for the month of October, 2014.

Director Pryce provided the staff report.

Councilor Hodges said he thought it was a great idea and asked if well water would be an issue. Pryce said testing will be done after the application to determine if there are any issues.

Councilor Hamilton asked if there would be an odor issue and Pryce said there really is no way to know until the pilot project is done, and no one is really close to the application area.

Councilor Pieper said he agreed with staff that it would be a win-win-win situation for the City, the hydrangea farmer and the environment.

City Manager Milliman pointed out that local application of biosolids would save the City \$50,000 annually and Mayor Hedenskog added that the addition of the dewatering facility had also saved the City what he thought was around \$200,000 annually.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement for services with the Oregon Hydrangea Company to land-apply biosolids only for the month of October, 2014, and based on the results of this pilot application, direct staff to coordinate a long term land application at this location.

Pre-authorization to informally bid and award a contract for road stabilization construction at Marine Drive and North Bank Chetco River Road.

Director Pryce gave the staff report.

Councilor Pieper asked when the letter had been sent to the County requesting help with the North Bank Chetco River Road project (North Bank) and Mayor Hedenskog said it had been a week since it was sent.

Councilor Hodges asked whether the North Bank project would use rip-rap or soil nails and Pryce said that soil nails would provide a longer term, more expensive solution, while rip rap would work well in this situation for a number of years and cost less.

City Manager Milliman asked Pryce if any of the stabilization issues were related to the November 2012 storm and she said they may have been.

Mayor Hedenskog said after walking North Bank he thought it was a water erosion issue but he wasn't sure that this was the cause for Marina Heights.

Councilor Hodges said he would like to start out with the least expensive approach and Mayor Hedenskog said he was disappointed because this project would eat up funding that would have paid for other City road projects.

Councilor McClain said it was "ridiculous" that the County wouldn't help the City fix what is, in essence, a County road. He said if the County wanted to extend an olive branch, they would take the money they would have spent on the \$12,000, "kumbaya" session they'd proposed and apply it to North Bank. He also said the County should start using road funds to fix County roads and stop using them to fund County operations.

Mayor Hedenskog said the gas tax would double the money the City was putting in its road fund.

Councilor Hamilton said he was disappointed at the County's lack of response to help fix a road that serves County residents.

Councilor Hodges likened North Bank to Highway 101 and said that when 101 needs fixing ODOT takes care of it. The North Bank, he said, has the sole purpose of getting unincorporated residents into the incorporated area, and allowing access for recreation and commerce on County property. If the County is unwilling to help their residents have this access, Hodges said, it speaks volumes about our County leadership.

Mayor Hedenskog said North Bank also services a significant amount of federal land and the County receives federal funds to maintain roads that service those lands.

Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to preauthorize the City Manager to informally bid and award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for road stabilization construction at Marine Drive and North Bank Chetco River Road in an amount not to exceed \$136,000 and \$45,000, respectfully.

Authorization to execute a Task Order increase with Dyer Partnership for additional design and contract management services for the Airport Infrastructure Project.

Director Pryce presented the staff report Mayor Hedenskog asked if the grant had built-in cost overruns. Pryce said that even with the increase, the project would still be within budget. She also advised that there will likely be an additional increase to cover the changes to the project requested by the County.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services contract addendum with the Dyer Partnership for extra work on existing design and contract management services [for the Airport Infrastructure project] in an amount not to exceed an additional \$29,000, thereby increasing the contract to \$429,000.

Authorization to execute a Project Letter of Understanding with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the Railroad Street reconstruction project.

City Manager Milliman gave the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to execute the Project Letter of Understanding with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the Railroad Street reconstruction project.

## **Consent Calendar**

- 1. Approve Council minutes for September 22, 2014.
- 2. Receive monthly financial report for August, 2014.

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

# **Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Mayor Hedenskog remarked on the upcoming "photo op" to take place in Crescent City regarding the grant funding the City had obtained for the airport runway project and City Manager Milliman said this was a major step forward for the airport improvement program.

Councilor Hamilton commended staff on the Easy Street project saying that he uses Easy Street a lot and it was a great comfort to know that there is now a safe passage for children and others, like him, who are wheelchair bound.

# **Adjournment**

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted:	this day of 2014:
Ron Hedenskog, Mayor	
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