

Minutes
City of Brookings
Common Council Meeting`
Brookings City Hall Council Chambers
898 Elk Drive, Brookings, Oregon 97415
Monday, September 24, 2007

Call to Order

Mayor Sherman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

Council Present: Mayor Pat Sherman, Council President Larry Anderson, Councilors Dave Gordon, Ron Hedenskog and Jan Willms; a quorum present.

Staff Present: City Manager Gary Milliman, Public Works Director John Cowan, Administrative Assistant Joyce Heffington.

Media Present: Curry Pilot Reporter Tom Hubka

Other: Approximately 10 public.

Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to appoint City Manager Gary Milliman to the Southwest Area Commission on Transportation (SWACT) and Public Works Director John Cowan to serve as alternate.

Scheduled Public Appearances

Port Commissioner Jim Relaford presented information regarding the Ocean Marine Reserve Policy. Generally, Relaford stated that an inordinate number of reserves were scheduled to be created along the Oregon Coast with no clear scientific basis for their need and that the establishment of these reserves would seriously jeopardize the area's fishing community. Relaford requested that Council either adopt a resolution such as that adopted by various ports along the coast, or write a letter requesting information as to the reason and science behind the State's decision.

After some discussion, Council generally agreed that more information was needed before taking any action and Mayor Sherman stated that she would be attending the League of Oregon Cities Annual Conference later in the week and would see what information she could obtain on this subject.

Public Comments

Victoria Snow, PO Box 404, Brookings, and Harry Hoogestager, Brookings, generally requested that Council consider funding the South Coast Watershed's water conservation education program.

Council Liaison Reports

Councilor Willms attended a hospital conference in Gold Beach, two City workshops, and the Easy Manor Park Ice Cream Social; participated in Litter B Gone, and attended meetings of the Brookings Harbor Education Foundation, County Recycling and the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee.

Councilor Anderson attended three High School related and two City meetings, including a meeting of the Land Development Code Committee.

Mayor Sherman attended meetings of the Azalea Park Foundation, the Brookings Health Clinic and Curry General Hospital Board; participated in the Easy Manor Park Ice Cream Social, attended the Coastal Caucus in Lincoln City, the Aspire Barbeque and a Council workshop on Water Conservation.

Councilor Hedenskog attended a city meeting and participated in Litter B Gone.

Councilor Gordon participated in an emergency conference call meeting of the Curry County Commission for Children and Families.

Regular Agenda

Mayor Sherman asked Council to consider authorizing the City to write a letter of support for the School Based Health Clinic for Brookings Harbor.

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to write a letter in support of the School Based Health Clinic.

City Manager Milliman presented the staff report regarding the contract award for the 2.0 Million Gallon Steel Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvement Project.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to award the contract for the 2.0 Million Gallon Steel Reservoir [and Transmission Main] Improvement Project, #04.84, to Aquastore [at a cost not to exceed \$2,359,800.]

City Manager Milliman presented the staff report regarding the Base Level Booster and Transmission Main Improvement Project

Councilor Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to reject all bids for Base Level Booster and Transmission Main Improvements [Project, #06-105, and direct staff to develop alternate project design].

City Manager Milliman presented the staff report regarding the North Bank Road Water Line Improvement Project.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to award the contract for Project, #06-101, [North Bank Road] Water Line Improvement to Tidewater [Contractors, Inc. with the alternative for PVC pipe, for a cost not to exceed \$601,300.60].

City Manager Milliman presented the staff report regarding the contract for a sewer rate study. Councilor Anderson requested that the study include researching costs relating to certain types of sewage, such as that created by restaurants, salons and dog grooming businesses.

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to contract for the preparation of a sewer rate study in an amount not to exceed \$25,000; to contract for an update in the project cost; and to take all necessary actions to seek and to secure funding for the Biosolids Treatment System project through the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECDD) Special Public Works Fund.

City Manager Milliman reviewed the recommendations for funding under the Community Relations Fund Program.

Councilor Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve funding to community based organizations as listed in the Council Agenda Report [\$50 to Girl Scout Troop 581 for food collection program, \$250 to His Haven of Hope Thanksgiving Dinner Program, \$250 to Friends of Trees "Remarkable Trees" brochure, \$500 to Oasis Shelter's domestic violence counseling program, and \$950 to Vietnam Veterans of America for the 4th of July Firework Event].

Consent Calendar

1. August 27, 2007
2. September 10, 2007

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as written with minutes of August 27, 2007 corrected to show that City Attorney John Trew was not in attendance.

Remarks from Mayor and Councilors

Mayor Sherman asked if there had been any response from the County Commissioners to the letter written by the City Manager asking for joint workshop to discuss the Mixed Use Master Plan.

City Manager Milliman generally stated that there had not been a response and suggested that he call to confirm that the letter was received. Council directed him to do so.

Councilor Anderson asked that there be a well documented paper trail regarding communications with regards to this issue.

Councilor Willms remarked that 41 people participated in the Litter B Gone clean-up and 6 cubic yard of trash were picked up.

Adjournment


Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn to the meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Pat Sherman
Mayor

ATTEST by City Recorder
this 27th day of October, 2007:



Joyce Heffington
Interim City Recorder