

**CITY OF BROOKINGS  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
City Hall Council Chambers  
898 Elk Drive, Brookings OR 97415  
January 24, 2005 7:00 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Pat Sherman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Les Cohen, Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce President

**III. Roll Call**

Council Present: Mayor Pat Sherman, Council President Larry Anderson, Councilors Frances Johns Kern, Craig Mickelson, and Dave Gordon, Ex Officio Councilor Wes Enos, a quorum present

Council Absent: None

Staff Present:

City Manager Leroy Blodgett, Finance Director Paul Hughes, Lt. John Bishop, and Administrative Secretary Linda Barker

Media Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter Brian Bullock

Other:

Chamber of Commerce President Les Cohen, and approximately five other citizens

**IV. Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements**

*A. Ceremonies*

1. *Certificate of Appreciation—Dori Blodgett, Parks and Recreation*
2. *Certificate of Appreciation—Bill Boynton, Parks and Recreation*  
As neither Blodgett nor Boynton was able to be at the meeting Mayor Sherman recognized their service on the Parks and Recreation Commission and said the certificates would be mailed to them.

*B. Announcements*

1. *Introduction of new Police Communications Officer—John W. Appolonio*  
Lt. John Bishop introduced John W. Appolonio who is a new employee at the police dispatch center. Appolonio was a dispatcher for eleven years in Klamath Falls before starting with the Brookings Police Department in December. Prior to that he retired as a police officer from California. His son John D. Appolonio is a police officer on the Brookings department. Appolonio thanked the Council for opportunity to be working here.

## V. Oral Requests and Communications from the Audience

### A. *Committee and Liaison reports*

#### 1. *Chamber of Commerce*

Les Cohen, Chamber President, addressed the Council with a brief report. He has been preparing for the sold-out 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Outlook Conference which will be held January 25 at the Elks Lodge.

He will be submitting the Chambers annual program report later this week in accordance with the agreement with the City.

He is going to the Southern Oregon Visitor's Tourist Symposium in Canyonville this weekend. He then will take off for a week in Portland and then to the Jackson County Outdoor and Sportsman Show where he will continue to promote the area.

He concluded by saying planning has begun on the Beachcombers Festival in March and the Azalea Festival in May.

#### 2. *Council Liaisons*

Ex Officio Enos reported he and other students planted trees at Jack Creek where they also received an education on the importance of trees. BHHS arts students submitted civil rights art to the Manley Arts Center for viewing on Martin Luther King Day. Finals are this week and the new semester starts next week.

Councilor Anderson said he attended a school board meeting.

Councilor Gordon attended the long-term goals session with the Mayor and other Councilors. He is being nominated to sit on the Southwest Advisory Committee on Transportation (SWACT).

### B. *Unscheduled*

1. Genie Calvin, Southern Curry Cemetery Maintenance District Chair, addressed signage to the cemetery. People using the program Mapquest are shown that Fifth Street goes through to the cemetery, which it doesn't. The Cemetery District is asking for signs on Highway 101, either at Ransom or Fern avenues, or Oak Street. City Manager Blodgett said the City will do this and will be in contact with Calvin about the matter.

2. Barbara Nysted, 427 Buena Vista Loop, addressed the Council regarding the problem of residential security lights causing light pollution. She has been dealing with the problem for a little over a year. Research she has done on the Internet shows this is a growing problem throughout the nations. She gave a brief overview of the problem and some options available saying that education is the key to all of this.

Mayor Sherman said she and the Council will be looking into the City's "livability ordinances" and in the meantime a public awareness campaign might ease the problem. She said it must be decided if this is a city-wide

issue. Councilor Anderson said that public input will be received when the ordinance review process begins and that updating these ordinances is a high priority for the Council.

No action was taken on the matter.

## VI. Staff Reports

### A. Finance Department

#### 1. Budget Calendar and Budget Officer for FY 2005/2006 Budget

Finance Director Hughes asked the Council to appoint a Budget Officer and approve the Budget Calendar for FY 2005/2006. He said the Budget Officer will prepare and present the budget to the Budget Committee. The Budget Calendar is a timeline for the budget preparation process.

**Councilor Anderson moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to appoint Finance Director Hughes as the Budget Officer and to approve the budget calendar for FY 2005/2006**

### B. Fire Department

#### 1. Awarding of Bids for Thermal Imaging Camera

City Manager Blodgett said the Fire Department was awarded a grant to purchase 41 sets of turnouts and a thermal imaging camera. Awarding of the bid for the turnouts was approved at the last Council meeting. The Fire Department has received three bids for the camera and is asking approval to award the bid to L N Curtis & Sons of Seattle WA in the amount of \$9,500.

Councilor Anderson complimented Chief Sharp for writing grant applications and was pleased to see that one has paid off.

**Councilor Mickelson moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to award the bid for a thermal imaging camera for the Fire Department to L N Curtis & Sons of Seattle WA in the amount of \$9,500.**

### C. City Manager

#### 1. 2004-2005 Goals Report

City Manager Blodgett referred to a written report on the status of the 2004-2005 Council goals and answered questions from Councilors. He said to assist staff during the budgeting process goals are set in January or February for the next fiscal year. Mayor Sherman asked if goals that are not completed this fiscal year are automatically rolled over into the next fiscal year. Blodgett replied that these items will be revisited at the Council goals session set for January 29 at the Best Western Brookings Inn Conference Center.

## VII. Consent Calendar

### A. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

#### 1. Council meeting of January 10, 2005

*End Consent Calendar*

Administrative Secretary Barker told the Council that she was notified of an incorrect address listing and misspelling of a name on page 3 of the draft minutes.

**Councilor Anderson moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar with changes made to page 3 of the minutes as noted.**

**VIII. Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

*A. Council*

Councilors Gordon and Anderson apologized for missing the Budget Committee meeting that was held prior to the Council meeting. Anderson commented that work on the sewer line replacement in the northerly end of Brookings was continuing later than normal working hours. Blodgett said the work is on track.

*B. Mayor*

Mayor Sherman announced that television stations in southern Oregon and northern California will be broadcasting a program January 20 dealing with the marijuana problem in the area.

**X. Adjournment**

Councilor Gordon moved to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. By voice vote the Council unanimously agreed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:



Pat Sherman  
Mayor

ATTEST by City Recorder this 15 day of February 2005.

  
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Paul Hughes  
Finance Director/City Recorder