

**CITY OF BROOKINGS**  
**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**  
**898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415**  
**August 25, 2003**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order**

Council President Rick Dentino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Council President Dentino

**III. Roll Call**

Council Present: Council President Rick Dentino, Councilors Larry Curry, Frances Johns Kern, and Craig Mickelson, a quorum present.

Council Absent: Mayor Bob Hagbom

Staff Present:

City Manager Leroy Blodgett, Economic and Urban Development Director Ed Wait and Administrative Secretary Linda Barker

Media Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter David Courtland

Other:

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Les Cohen,  
And one other citizen

**IV. Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements**

*A. Announcements*

*1. Introduction of new Economic and Urban Development Director-Ed Wait*

City Manager Blodgett introduced Ed Wait who started work Monday, August 18. He was formerly with the State of Oregon.

Wait extended his appreciation to the City for the opportunities presented by this position. He said the City has many interesting projects coming up and he has been busy lining out projects that are of high priority to the Council.

**V. Oral Requests and Communications from the Audience**

*A. Committee and Liaison reports*

*1. Chamber of Commerce*

Executive Director Les Cohen reported that in the process of preparing September's Chamber newsletter he noted visitor numbers are up significantly from last year. He also said that while mid to south coast tourism is doing very well, the north coast is not doing well at all. Cohen will be leaving Thursday for the Oregon State Fair where the Chamber will be promoting the Brookings Harbor area along with America's Wild River Coast. He reminded the Council of the Salmon Derby coming up this weekend. Finally he said the electronic kiosk is up and running, giving the opportunity to visitors to access information on local attractions 24-hours a day, seven day a week.

2. *Council Liaisons*

Councilor Mickelson attended the Planning Commission meeting August 5 and the work session with the Curry County Commissioners on August 19 and the City's annual picnic on Sunday.

Councilor Johns Kern attended the joint session with the County Commissioners and the City's annual volunteer/employee recognition picnic on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. She congratulated the Employee of the Year, John Cowan, and the Volunteer of the Year, Marty Wiggins.

Councilor Curry attended the work session with the County Commissioners and last Thursday the CCD quarterly meeting in Port Orford.

Councilor Dentino attend the joint meeting, worked two AMF concerts and attended the city picnic.

**B.     **Unscheduled****  
None

**VI.   **Staff Reports****

*A.     City Manager*

1.     *Harbor Sanitary Agreements*

City Manager Blodgett recapped the staff report on an agreement with Harbor Sanitary District (HSD) in regards to system development charges (SDCs) that have been collected by HSD between 1992 and 1997. Due to a disagreement between the City and HSD the SDCs collected in that period were not delivered to the City. After resolution of the disagreement payments were resumed on SDCs collected after that date. This agreement sets a method for payment of the \$68,136 due from HSD. If the agreement is approved, the city will receive the amount of SDCs collected. HSD will retain any interest gained on the principle during that time. The settlement agreement releases both parties from any claims relating to the dispute.

**Councilor Johns Kern moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to approve the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between the City of Brookings and Harbor Sanitary District.**

2. *Other*

Blodgett said he had earlier given a copy of a building recap to the Council showing that building has more than doubled this year over previous years. This increased activity is overwhelming staff with a dire need of additional planning staff. He said the City is looking into the possibility of adding an office to City Hall and hiring a Jr. Planner.

Blodgett said he will be out of town all of next week.

**VII. Consent Calendar**

A. *Approval of Council Meeting Minutes*

1. *Minutes of August 14, 2003 Regular Council meeting*

**Councilor Mickelson moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to accept the Consent Calendar as printed.**

**VIII. Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

A. *Council*

None

B. *Mayor*

Council President Dentino said the Mayor will be back from his Alaskan fishing trip on Wednesday.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Council, Councilor Johns Kern moved for adjournment at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Rick Dentino  
Council President

ATTEST by City Recorder this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2003.

  
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Paul Hughes  
Finance Director/City Recorder