

**CITY OF BROOKINGS
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
City Hall Council Chambers
898 Elk Drive, Brookings, Oregon 97415
December 8, 2003
7:00 p.m.**

I. Call to Order

Mayor Bob Hagbom called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Councilor Curry

III. Roll Call

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

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: City Attorney John Trew, Planning Director John Bischoff, Finance Director Paul Hughes, and Administrative Secretary Linda Barker

Media Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter Brian Bullock

Other:

Approximately 10 other citizens

Before the meeting began, Barbara Nysted presented the Council with three communications. Since these were not pertinent to any item on tonight's agenda Mayor Hagbom said they would not be discussed during the meeting. The subject matter of the communications was ODOT's planning for Hwy 101.

IV. Public Hearing

A. *File No. LDC-5-03—In the matter of an amendment to the Land Development Code to amend the requirements for parking motor homes and other recreational equipment on residential lots*

Mayor Hagbom opened the public meeting at 7:05 p.m. by reading into the record procedures for legislative hearings. No Councilor declared personal bias or interest or potential or actual conflict of interest.

Planner Bischoff presented staff testimony regarding parking RVs on private property. He said a work study session had been held with the Planning Commission and City Council and wording was discussed to change the ordinance. At a public hearing October 7, 2003, the Planning Commission recommended that this wording be adopted. There was Council discussion and questions asking for clarification on what the ordinance change would accomplish and about front yard safety.

Councilor Dentino moved and a second followed, to table the decision on LDC-5-03 to the Council's next meeting.

Mayor Hagbom recognized that there were participants in the audience who wished to testify on this matter. City Attorney Trew advised that if the Council wished to proceed with the testimony the motion on the floor should be withdrawn.

Councilor Dentino withdrew his motion. Councilor Mickelson withdrew his second.

Testifying on this matter were:

John White	PO Box 3078	Harbor
Barbara Nysted	427 Buena Vista Loop	Brookings

The public hearing closed at 7:27 p.m. Council discussion centered on whether to postpone the decision on this matter to a later date.

Councilor Dentino moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to postpone action on LDC-5-03 to the December 22, 2003, City Council meeting.

- B. *File No. LDC-6-03—In the matter of an amendment to the Land Development Code to clarify the side yard, street side yard and rear yard set back requirements*

Mayor Hagbom opened the public hearing on LDC-6-03 at 7:35 p.m. No Councilor declared personal bias or interest or potential or actual conflict of interest. Mayor Hagbom read hearing procedures into the record.

Planner Bischoff gave his staff report. No one from the audience testified on this matter. There was Council discussion on safety issues and fire codes and their bearing on yard setbacks.

The hearing and record were closed at 7:47 p.m.

Councilor Dentino moved, a second followed, and the Council voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve LDC-6-03 and to direct staff to prepare an ordinance adopting the new setbacks.

- C. *File No. CPZ-3-03—In the matter of an application for a zone change from R-3 (Multiple-family Residential) to P/OS (Public Open Space) and a comprehensive plan amendment change from Residential to Open Space; located at 517 Railroad Avenue; Assessor's Map 41-13-05 CC Tax Lot 1800; Grant Young, representative; Curry County, applicant—WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT*
Mayor Hagbom announced this application had been withdrawn by the applicant and no action would be taken on this matter.

V. Oral Requests and Communications from the Audience

A. Committee and Liaison

1. Council Liaisons

Councilor Mickelson attended the Planning Commission meeting December 2 and the Southwest Community Action Board in Coos Bay December 8. He will put together a written report for the Council on the Community Action meeting.

Councilor Dentino attended the Community Agencies meeting on December 3 and the first ever annual official holiday tree lighting in the municipal parking lot on Chetco Avenue.

Councilor Johns Kern attended the Community Agencies meeting and will be attending the Pelican Bay Advisory Committee meeting December 10.

Councilor Curry attended the Community Agencies meeting and a Crimestoppers meeting the next day.

B. Unscheduled

1. Dan Nachel, 351 Spruce Drive, Brookings, asked the City Council if they would support a vote of the residents of Brookings to approve or disapprove a couplet through Brookings. Mayor Hagbom responded that no one is prepared to get into that issue until ODOT's final report is issued. Agreeing with Nachel's statement that past Councils have been very supportive of the Couplet the Mayor stated the City has not taken a voice in the present hearings. City Attorney Trew said ODOT has a process for citizens' input and he feels ODOT's process should be seen to conclusion before we even consider a request for a citizen's vote on the matter.

2. Ed Goodell, 1251 Hub Street, Brookings, also spoke about the Couplet. He asked not to turn Railroad Street into Hwy 101. He said he had no confidence in what is going on during the ODOT hearings and was very concerned that the citizens are not going to have a voice on this.

3. Barbara Nysted, 427 Buena Vista Loop, Brookings, said she went to the ODOT Open House and felt many people are uptight and upset with couplet idea. She said public testimony was not taken at the ODOT meeting although mailed flyers left the impression that public testimony would be taken. ODOT staff did have opinion sheets that could be completed and left for them to read. She said the biggest concern voiced by those she talked with at the meeting was that there would not be another opportunity to testify on this matter. She said that after the NEPA process was complete there would be another chance to testify. Housing and business displacement and effects on the library were cited as the largest concerns with the couplet proposal.

VI. Staff Reports

A. City Manager

1. Other - None

VII. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Council Minutes—November 24, 2003, regular Council meeting
- B. Acceptance of Planning Commission Minutes—November 4, 2003, regular Commission meeting
- C. Approval of Vouchers for month of November, 2003 (\$165,533.41)

Councilor Mickelson moved, a second followed, and the Council voted 4-0 (Councilor Johns Kern was absent from the November 24, 2003 regular Council meeting and did not vote on this matter) to approve the Consent Calendar as written.

VIII. Ordinances/Resolutions/Final Orders

- A. *Ordinance No. 03-O-446.RR—an amendment to the Land Development Code to amend the requirements for parking motor homes and other recreational equipment on residential lots*
This item was continued to December 22, 2003.

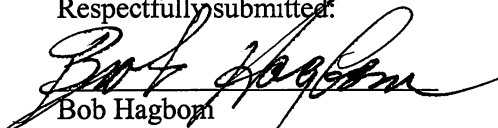
IX. Remarks from Mayor and Councilors

- A. *Council-None*
- B. *Mayor-None*

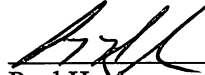
XIII. Adjournment

With no further business before it the Council adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Bob Hagborn
Mayor

ATTEST by City Recorder this 23 day of December, 2003.


Paul Hughes
Finance Director/City Recorder