

MINUTES
BROOKINGS COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF BROOKINGS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 31, 1979

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Elmer Hitchcock.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present were: Councilmen C. Dwight Allen, Darrell Allsup Ray Lockman and Jack Lowrie.

Staff present were: Frank Freeman, City Manager, Marge McKernan, City Recorder and Pete Shogren, Assistant Engineer.

Also present were: Dick Nored, H.G.E., Inc., City Consultant Engineer, Tony Kuhn, EDA Representative, Joe Sabia, Port Manager, and Port Commissioners.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Consideration of amendment to Ordinance 216 (Zoning Ordinance) by amending Section 4.040, Residential High Density Zone, Subsection (1), uses permitted outright, to add (b) multi-family dwellings.

MOTION was made by Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Allsup and carried that this amendment be approved.

City Manager advised that an Ordinance will be prepared for the next regular Council meeting for adoption of this approved amendment.

2. Construction of the Brookings Harbor Industrial Water Line project industrial water to the Port of Brookings area for future industrial development.

Dick Nored reviewed the project explaining estimate cost of project and the pro and con of supplying water to the Port. At the present time there is approximately 480,000 gallons of water that could be pumped to the Port without causing any water shortage in the City of Brookings. The Brookings Treatment Facility can be readily expanded to a capacity of 2,160,000 gpd by increasing the pumping capacity and raising the filter rate from 3.15 to 5.0 gpm per square foot. Copy of this report is attached.

Mayor Hitchcock then opened the meeting to the public for their comment.

Bill Cunningham objected to supplying water to the Port, for he said "that we owe the people in Brookings water first and we are not obligated to serve Harbor for industrial service". Mr. Cunningham was also concerned about what the cost would be to the City for the plant would have to be updated to supply this water. Dick Nored advised that it would cost possibly \$10,000.00 to update the plant at the present time.

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Roy Brimm did not object to supplying water to the Port, but he felt that the people of Brookings should be served first. He ask about the subdivisions that have been promised water, "shouldn't they first be served water before we sell it to the Port"?

Councilman Allsup ask Dick Nored "if the water in the Ferry Creek Reservoir could be sold to the Port untreated at a lower cost for the schrimp processing?" Mr. Nored advised that this could be possible but not probable, for the water cannot be intermingled with the treated water, and a separate line would have to be constructed.

Councilman Allen was concerned about the people of Brookings first being served.

The question was ask, if the water becomes short during the schrimp season what would Brookings' residence do? If there is a water shortage then the water to the Port would be shut off and supplied only to the regular users in the Brookings area. Tony Kuhn advised that it is a State Law that the City users would come first and the City manage the water and they can shut it off at any time it is required for domestic use.

Bill Robinson, Dawson Tract resident, advised that by the City supplying water to the port would not add a single dime to the City tax base, and that they are working on annexation to the City and this would bring possibly 55 new water connections and also add 2 million dollars to the City's valuation.

Ray Swanson, Head of Special Projects of Tom Lazio Fish Co., Inc., stated "that not only did they want to process schrimp but also process other fish products and if there became a water shortage they could ship their products to the Eureka plant for processing."

Tony Kuhn advised that this project has been in process for 18 months. The Port first came to EDA asking for their assistance on this project. The Port was advised that Harbor was unable to supply industrial water, so then the Brookings Council at that time tentativly approved supply- ing industrial water to the port, and the application for a grant from EDA was processed. This grant has now been approved. Mr. Kuhn also advised that a decision should be made soon by the Council or there is a good possibility that this grant money will be awarded to some other project.

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Mr. Kuhn's opinion on supplying this water to the Port would be of a profit to the City, and the City in turn could put this profit in a sinking fund to be used for further improvements to the Water Treatment Plant, then the City would be able to supply water to other areas.


Mayor Hitchcock then closed the meeting to the Public.

Mayor and Council agreed to fiva a final decision to this request at the Special Council meeting scheduled for August 7, 1979 at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was then made by Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Allsup and carried that this meeting be adjourned until August 7, 1979 at 8:00 p.m.

This meeting was recorded on tape and is on file in the Recorder's office.



E. J. Hitchcock

Mayor

ATTEST:

Marjorie B. Mc Kernan
Recorder/Treasurer