Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting City of Brookings May 14, 1963

Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M., Mayor Robert O. Dimmick presiding, Councilmen present; Ernest Christensen, Ben Franklin, Jr., and Le Roy Weideman.

Minutes of the last regular Council meeting held April 9, and the Budget Meetings held April 23, and May 2, 1963, were read and approved as read.

A Committee representing the American Legion Auxillary informed the Council that in some instances the American flag has not been displayed in the proper manner being wet and tangled and not hanging freely. The Council informed the Committee that the matter would be brought to the attention of the Junior Chamber of Commerce who have been displaying the flags as a service to the Community. The spokesman for the Committee expressed appreciation for the fact that the flags were being displayed.

Fred Bliss, living at 710 Pacific, submitted estimates of cost of repairs to his residence for purported damage caused when plumbing fixtures overflowed during the recent heavy rainfall. Bids were from Horton Bros. \$269.00 and L-K Cabinet \$163.60. The Council opinioned that perhaps private roof drains entering into the sewer lines or a plugged private lateral line were the cause rather than in the main sewer line; otherwise it would have normally affected other homes in the area. The Council asked that the Public Works Supt. investigate further and report back at the next regular meeting.

Allen Ettinger, Postmaster, asked if the Post Office Dept. could legally use the utility strip, lying between the Westerly ends of Hub and Iris St. as a road for mail route and if so could the City assure him that said strip will be continuously maintained for traffic use. It was noted that the strip is $2l\frac{1}{2}$ ft. wide and that it is apparently being used by others for road purposes at the present time. The Council stated that the strip had been dedicated by plats as a utility strip and not as a road but that the City will definitely improve and maintain the same. However, they could not give full assurance that it could attilized as a street indefinitely.

Virgil Clark Commented regarding a drainage problem on an area of Mill Beach road. He explained that the mill pond was being rapidly eliminated but that this had nothing to do with causing or solving the problem of the street drainage. Mr. Clark stated that he appeared to discuss the matter in open forum although he felt that it was not a matter of City business, in that it was a privately owned road and such being the case the City has no control or jurisdiction over the street and no interest in the existing situation. He suggested that the Brookings Plywood Company, Elmer Bankus and the adjacent property owner work together and arrive at a solution. The adjacent owner, Mr. Weideman and Mr. Bankus, both present at the meeting, agreed to this proposal.

Mr. Calvin Gorte, owner and operator of the Brookings Sanitary Service, discussed a new garbage franchise with the Council. It was noted that Mr. Gorte has operated very effeciently during the term of the expired franchise and that neverhad the City heard any complaints regarding his service. Rates have not been changed in over 10 years, and Brookings rates were substantially below comparable cities. The Council agreed that residential rates be increased to \$2.25 for the first 32 gallon can, \$3.00 for the second can and 25% for each additional can. Commercial rate increases were also agreed upon depending upon bulk. The City Attorney was asked to draw up a new 5 year franchise to become effective July 1, 1963, including therein a franchise fee in the amount of \$100.00, and present the same at the next regular meeting. The Council referred to the Fire Chief a request by Mr. Gorte to use the old fire truck on a standby basis at the dump from time to

time at a nominal fee and asked that a satisfactory agreement be worked out in this regard if possible.

Resolution No. 93. Fire Zones- Motion by Ernest Christensen that resolution no. 93 be adopted. Seconded by Le Roy Weideman. Motion carried.

It was noted tha Al Phillips had resigned from the Planning Commission. The appointment of someone to fill the unexpired term of his appointment was deferred until the next regular meeting.

Motion by Ben Franklin, Jr. that Jack Holte, Ed Oar and Virgil Goldsberry be reappointed to the Planning Commission for a four year term ending 4/21/67. Motion seconded by Ernest Christensen. Motion carried.

Correspondence from the State Highway Dept., indicated that they would approve and furnish crosswalk signs on Highway 101 at the intersection of Hillside, Central, Chetco and Fern. It was noted that the City would have to pay for installation and maintenance. No decision was made on the installations pending a cost estimate by Coos-Curry Electric Co-op. The State Highway Dept. informed the City that the full cost of any sidewalk installations along the highway would have to be borne by the City. The Council felt that the expense of constructing such a walk from North to Central Brookings, (approximately 1400 ft.) would be preclusive at the present time. The proposal was referred back to the Advisory Board for any further recommendations.

Because of the basic fixed rate charge by the Brookings Water Company on Fire Hydrants, the State has been precluded from using water from the same in the operation of their street sweeper unless an additional fee is paid therefore. A representative of the Highway Dept. previously informed the City that payment of a fee for this purpose would be setting a precedence that was completely unacceptable to the Dept. The City receives definite benefit from the bi-monthly cleaning of the Highway. Motion by Ben Franklin, Jr. that the City contract with the Brookings Water Company to supply water for the State sweeper from the fire hydrants based on a reasonable fee (understood to be not more than \$24.00 per year,) said cost to be paid by the City. Seconded by Ernest Christensen. Motion carried.

A letter from the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce was read- they asked if more trash cans might be placed along Chetco Avenue. Th Council suggested that the matter be referred to some Civic minded organization noting that the original cans still in use were donated to the City by the Garden Club.

A letter from the Citizens Advisory Board was presented in which they asked the Council to study the possibility of securing allocations of funds for a recreation program in the three Cities of the County from the Curry County Court. They also suggested that two meters on either side of the street at Wharf and Chetco be removed and the area designated as a no-parking area to correct an obstructed view condition. It was also suggested that a study be made of truck parking on Chetco Avenue North of Pacific, indicating that the view of oncoming traffic on Chetco Avenue is blocked and that perhaps parking should be regulated in the area to allow better visibility. Since Judge C. F. Campbell was present at the meeting the recreation aspect of their request was referred to him. Mr Campbell expressed the view that funds for such a program would not be feasible at the present time. The other matters were referred to Police Chief, C. M. Cross for investigation with the request that he report thereon at the next regular Council meeting.

The Recorder was instructed to write the League of Oregon Cities to obtain data and franchise information relating to septic tank pumping business's.

The bill from Brookings Water Company for damaged water meter and lines by the Center street project contractor's, in the amount of \$163.30, was approved for payment. The bill in the amount of \$84.50 for purported damage to water line located at Hemlock and Oak was rejected in its entirety. The rejection was based on the fact that the line is apparently of not sufficient depth to preclude damage even when ordinary caution is exercised. The bill also appeared to be excessive in amount.

A bill from Harbor Appliance Sales in the amount of \$92.92 for rebuilding fire siren was approved for payment.

The subject of vacation allowance for City Employees was discussed. It was noted that an established oral policy was in effect in this regard, but no written policy has ever been established. The Recorder was requested to obtain information from the League of Oregon Cities on the subject.

Motion by Ben Franklin, Jr. that the 1963-64 budget, as adopted by the Budget Committee, be accepted for publication, and published in the Brookings-Harbor Pilot in the May 23, and May 30, 1963 issues, with public hearing thereon to be held at the City Hall at 7:00 P.M., June 13, 1963. Motion seconded by Ernest Christensen- Motion carried.

Financial statements for the period ended April 30, 1963, were presented.

Vouchers in the total amount of \$2,977.09 (per schedule attached) were presented and reviewed. Motion by Ernest Christensen that the vouchers be approved and paid. Seconded by Le Roy Weideman. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

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Countersigned:

CITY OF BROOKINGS

Vouchers Payable April 30, 1963

| ACCOUNT | TOTAL |
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| W. W. Balderree | 200.00 |
| County Clerk | 5.50 |
| Brookings Water Co. | 173.84 |
| Brookings Water Co. | 4.25 |
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| Chetco Drugs | .78 |
| Chetco Hardware | 12.27 |
| Sophia Colegrove | 200.00 |
| Coos-Curry Electric | 400.00 |
| Coos-Curry Electric | 33.87 |
| Curry County Assessor | 10.60 |
| Curry County Lbr. Co. | 63.21 |
| Foster Auto Repair | 13.50 |
| Hanscam's Center | 2.67 |
| Harris Chevrolet | 41.20 |
| Holmes Machine Shop | 10.00 |
| Kerr Hardware | 27.79 |
| League of Oregon Cities | 183.19 |
| Littrell Parts | 66.24 |
| Long Electric | 41.75 |
| Tom Mc Kenzie | |
| | 19.20 |
| Motorola Communications | 45.25 |
| O K Rubber Welders | 70.08 |
| The Oregon News Co. | 80.53 |
| Paramount Pest Control | 5.00 |
| Pennsalt Chemicals | 37.50 |
| Public Emp. Retirement Board | 5.44 |
| Reliable Hardware Co. | 6.01 |
| Shell Oil Co. | 12.22 |
| Simmons Carbon Co., Inc. | 11.60 |
| Don Page Smith | 5.00 |
| Oregon State H. W. Dept. | 218.90 |
| Traffic Safety Supply | 178.50 |
| Union Oil Co. | 162.76 |
| Unigas | 267.67 |
| Wards Propane | 25.42 |
| West Coast Telephone | 125.03 |
| West Coast Telephone | 7.15 |
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| Total | \$2,823.09 |
| Curry County Feed 5/14/63 | 58.00 |
| Paid Don Page Smith (Finance Conferen Frank's Office Equipment | ce) 46.00 50.00 \$2,977.09 |