

# **City of Brookings CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

**Monday, November 13, 2023**

## **Call to Order**

Council President Ed Schreiber called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

## **Roll Call**

Council Present: Council President Ed Schreiber, and Councilors Isaac Hodges, and Andy Martin; a quorum present

Staff present: City Manager Janell Howard, Public Works and Development Services Deputy Director Lauri Ziemer, City Attorney Lori Cooper (by phone) and Deputy Recorder Brooklyn Osterhage

Media Present: 1

Others Present: Approximately 40 audience members

## **Consent Calendar**

1. Approve Council minutes for October 23, 2023
2. Accept Planning Commission minutes for September 5, 2023
3. Accept Parks and Recreation minutes for September 28, 2023
4. Approve Liquor License Application for Compass Rose

**Councilor Hodges moved, Councilor Martin seconded, and Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar.**

## **Oral Requests and Communications from the Audience**

1. Jerry Law – 98281 South Bank Chetco River Road, Brookings gave an update on Post 966 Fundraising.
2. Thena Lyons – 96305 Spindrift Lane, Brookings spoke on Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative (CCEC) franchise.
3. Mike Frederick – 16883 Yellowbrick Road, Brookings spoke on the Mushroom Festival.
4. Alex Frederick – 16883 Yellowbrick Road, Brookings spoke on the recall.
5. Robert O'Sullivan – 96734 DeMoss Road, Brookings spoke against the amendment to the Benevolent Meal Services Code.

## **Staff Reports**

### **1. Benevolent Meal Services Code Amendment**

Staff report presented by Lauri Zeimer

**Councilor Hodges moved, Councilor Martin seconded, and Council voted unanimously to read Ordinance 23-O-809 by title only.**

Ordinance 23-O-809 was read by title only.

**Councilor Martin moved, Councilor Schreiber seconded, and Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 23-O-809 amending the Brookings Municipal Code, Title 17 Land Development Code, amending Chapter 17.124.050 Benevolent Meal Services as described in Exhibit A.**

**Councilor Hodges moved, Councilor Martin seconded, and Council voted unanimously to waive fees for entities that apply for CUP under BMC 17.124.050 Benevolent Meal Services for 90 days from adoption of Ordinance 23-O-809.**

**2. Grant Submission for up to 16 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBAs)**

Staff report presented by Janell Howard and Fire Chief Jim Watson answered questions

**Councilor Hodges moved, Councilor Martin seconded, and Council voted unanimously to authorize staff to participate in the regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant process for the purchase of up to 16 SCBAs.**

**3. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Curry County for Building Services**

Staff report presented by Janell Howard

**Councilor Martin moved, Councilor Hodges seconded, and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to sign an MOU with Curry County to provide building inspection services.**

**4. Award contract for bond counsel services for the USDA Bonds**

Staff report presented by Janell Howard

**Councilor Martin moved, Councilor Hodges seconded, and Council voted unanimously to authorize City Manager to sign agreement with Hawkins Delafield & Wood in the amount of \$25,000 for bond counsel services for the USDA Bonds.**

**5. Consideration of Potential Elected Official Vacancies**

**Comments from the audience**

1. Jennifer White – 1090 Parkview Drive, Brookings spoke in opposition to agenda item.
2. Robert O’Sullivan – 96734 DeMoss Road, Brookings spoke in opposition to agenda item.

Staff report presented by Janell Howard

**Councilor Martin moved, Councilor Hodges seconded, and Council voted unanimously to accept resignation of Mayor Ron Hedenskog and declare the Mayor position vacant.**

**Councilor Martin moved, Councilor Hodges seconded, and Council voted unanimously to accept resignation of Councilor Michelle Morosky and declare Council Position #4 vacant.**

**Councilor Hodges moved, Councilor Martin seconded, and Council voted unanimously to appoint Kristi Fulton to Councilor position #4.**

The Oath of Office was given to Kristi Fulton by Deputy Recorder Brooklyn Osterhage.

**Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Council President, Ed Schreiber, offered to relinquish the title of Council President if somebody else is willing to have that responsibility so that the City can have adequate check signers. Councilor Andy Martin volunteered until there's a full council, and it can be reconsidered.

**Councilor Schreiber moved, Councilor Hodges seconded, and Council voted unanimously to reassign the Council President title to Councilor Martin.**

**Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Councilors Hodges and Martin acknowledged and thanked Ron Hedenskog and Michelle Morosky for their time on the Council and expressed excitement for new Council member Kristi Fulton.

Councilor Fulton addressed the citizens of Brookings and expressed desire to do the City's business keeping Brookings residents safe and a great place to live.

Councilor Schreiber thanked those who originally voted for him, City staff, Councilors and Mayors he's worked with and his family and wished success for new Council.

**Adjournment**

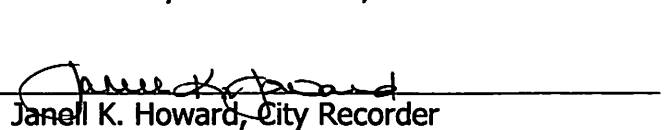
Councilor Ed Schreiber adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Isaac Hodges, Mayor

ATTESTED:

this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023:

  
Janell K. Howard, City Recorder