

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

July 2, 2019

The minutes of the proceedings of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, held at 7:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon.

### **Those Attending**

Those present were Mayor Joe Benetti and Councilors Lucinda DiNovo, Drew Farmer, Stephanie Kilmer, Phil Marler, and Carmen Matthews. Councilor Rob Miles was absent. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Deputy Finance Director Melissa Olson, Library Director Sami Pierson, Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley, Fire Chief Mark Anderson, and Police Chief Gary McCullough.

### **Flag Salute**

Mayor Benetti opened the meeting and led the Council and assembly in the salute to the flag.

### **Public Comments**

No public comments were given.

### **Approval of the World On Fire Day Proclamation**

Oregon Coast Music Festival Board President Christine Moffitt and Ida Jo Gates read the World On Fire Day Proclamation.

Councilor Matthews moved to approve the World On Fire Day Proclamation. Councilor Kilmer seconded the motion which carried. Ayes: Benetti, DiNovo, Farmer, Kilmer, Marler, Matthews. Absent: Miles.

### **Public Hearing on a Proposed Ordinance for Temporary Lodging Facilities - Approval Would Require Enactment of the Draft Ordinance**

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley presented to Council a draft temporary lodging facility ordinance. At the June 11, 2019 Council work session, Council requested at least two public hearings to be held on the draft ordinance and post a map identifying potential temporary lodging locations. Also requested was the feasibility of adding a penalty for violations of a temporary lodging permit and bond for permit related damages included in draft ordinance, sections 8.45.040 Bonding and 8.45.070 Penalty. Councilor Farmer stated the temporary lodging ordinance would provide the option to all non-profits to allow up to five RVs to stay in their parking lot as long as they are providing health and safety items such as bathrooms, dumpsters, etc and options for indoor temporary lodging. Coordinated with input from many community partners; will create a safer and more sanitary location to stay, this would help public services reduce resource expenses to have

individuals in one location. Councilor Kilmer stated this limited the number of days in a consecutive time period, as well as a year, the number of outdoor facility use by individuals, indoor facilities follow fire safety regulations, neighbor notification is an element of the ordinance, and a process if rules are not followed, and also wanted to recognize the work done by Stacy Dewater in the Homeless Work Group.

Mayor Joe Benetti opened the public hearing for public comments. Jim Behrends, Coos Bay asked if a facility had to be a non-profit organization, who constitutes as a non-profit, stated facilities would need to convince the neighborhood it would not be a threat, and requested security cameras be a requirement. Mayor Joe Benetti stated facilities would need to get a permit annually and City staff would have the right to not issue a permit if they couldn't follow the guidelines. City Manager Rodger Craddock stated the majority would be non-profits as they are located in commercial areas. Stacey Bear, Coos Bay commended the Council for a proactive, workable plan and asked to be contacted if neighborhood complaints were received, to be a resource through her Neighborhood Watch Advisory Board. Rick Shearer, Coos Bay stated he supported the ordinance, it was well written, but could see a problem trying to get people to use the facilities as they may not want to commute and would like to see the motor homes and sleeping cars moved. Mayor Benetti stated the Council received a letter from the Community Coalition of Empire requesting code to deter long-term parked vehicles. Karen Scott, Coos Bay encouraged education materials to be put out and people to come to meetings to learn more before making negative comments regarding the ordinance. The public hearing was held open until the July 16, 2019 Council meeting.

### **Approval of Pothole Patching and Blade Patching Bid**

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated the City advertised pothole and blade patching for the 2019 pavement maintenance program which involved no grinding at the nine locations, just asphalt, and set the asphalt tonnage of 260.70 tons. Two bidders responded to the Request For Quote (RFQ) - Knife River Materials and Johnson Rock Products. Staff requested Council to approve the Knife River Materials bid in the amount of \$240.39 per ton for asphalt delivered to each City project site, inlaid and compacted, not to exceed overall 1,100 tons or \$264,429.00. Council requested staff to post an updated street maintenance schedule once the paving begins.

Councilor Farmer moved to approve the Knife River Materials bid in the amount of \$240.39 per ton for asphalt delivered to each City project site, inlay, and compacted; not to exceed overall 1,100 tons or \$264,429.00. Councilor Kilmer seconded the motion which carried. Ayes: Benetti, DiNovo, Farmer, Kilmer, Marler, Matthews. Absent: Miles.

### **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated the sewer line was being replaced on 6th Street behind City Hall, found the road had no road base laid down under the asphalt, and was an example of the issues the City would be coming across during the street maintenance projects. City Hall and Coos Bay Public Library would be closed July 4, 2019. Many events were scheduled to be held on July 4, 2019, including the Mayor's Firecracker Run which would begin at 9:00 a.m. in Mingus Park. The City was phasing out putting up banners and the new LED signs were moving forward with the site being prepped; the signs would be managed by the Visitor Information Center (VIC) and the City would work with the VIC to

develop a policy for what could be put on the board. The City received a letter regarding urban camping from the Community Coalition of Empire asking for an ordinance. The vehicles are not abandoned and the City cannot tow homes, staff was working on proposed changes for council to consider, and to contact PD on non-emergency line 541-269-8911 to report urban camping. The Homeless Work Group suggested a community resource officer to work with social service to aide those individuals. Coos County Area Transit (CCAT) trolley route was shortened to a one hour route, renamed to Pirate Express, and were refreshing signs. The City has a list of towing companies that meet or exceed standards set by the Oregon State Police, with tow companies on a non-preference rotation and no cost to City for abandoned vehicle towing; individuals requiring a tow can chose tow company if they have preference due to towing company charges not regulated. The City will be putting out a request for proposals for towing contacts with pricing and provisions. One Council goal was to conduct a Streetlight feasibility study for LED lights and a no cost assessment was signed July 2, 2019. The Community Enhancement Plan (CEP) meeting was held on June 27, 2019 to work on the economic development portion of the plan which would put 50% of revenue to school districts, 25% to overlapping taxing districts, and 25% for economic development. There currently was no agreement between Coos Bay, North Bend, Port of Coos Bay, and Coos County on how dollars would be spent for the economic development portion. Council discussion ensued with consensus to participate in the sub-committee, bring ideas for forward for economic projects, keep communication open for negotiation by all parties, continue to have Coos County involved in meetings, and the additional third representative from each of the four parties be Mayor Joe Benetti for the City of Coos Bay.

### **Council Comments**

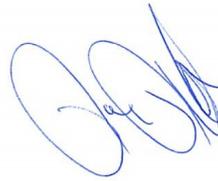
Councilor Farmer stated the past weekend he attended a fifty year remembrance of the Stonewall riots, a lot of people talked about getting involved in their communities, and it was a good experience. Councilor Matthews was excited for the Oregon Coast Music Festival kickoff on July 13, 2019, how the CEP would move forward, the Relay for Life was a great event, and thanked everyone for all the time volunteering. Councilor Marler was happy to hear the streetlight project was moving forward and was excited to start patching potholes. Councilor DiNovo attended the Coquille Tribe's 30th Restoration Celebration in Bandon, OR the past weekend, where they honored the City of Coos Bay for being a great partner, and gifted a replica of traditional paddle used for ceremonies. Tthe "W" shaped paddle was used by the native peoples in the Coos Bay area and along the Pacific Northwest. Also July 3, 2019 fireworks at the Mill Casino would be coordinated with FM radio station 92.9, and July 4, 2019 City fireworks. Councilor Kilmer wished everyone a happy 4th celebration and appreciated all the activities taking place in Mingus Park. Mayor Benetti asked if Koos Bay Boulevard would be painted anytime soon as the lines were hard to see. Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated he would look into it. Mayor Benetti stated a citizen asked about the Mingus Park bathrooms. Mr. Hossley stated it was part of the Parks Commission and Councilor Matthews stated the Parks Commission was working on grant funding that would include dredging Mingus Pond, adding a fishing dock, and upgrading the bathrooms. Mayor Benetti also wished everyone a happy July 4th and mentioned all the events starting at 9:00 a.m. at Mingus Park on July 4, 2019, Fishing Derby, Face Painting, Coos Bay Library doing readings, and the evening fireworks.

**Executive Session**

Deputy Finance Director Melissa Olson read the executive session meeting disclosure statement. An executive session was held pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 (2) (e) for the purpose of discussing real property negotiations. No decisions were made.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Benetti adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for July 16, 2019 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



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Joe Benetti, Mayor

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Melissa Olson, Deputy City Recorder