

May 4, 2006
City Council Regular Session
Oakridge City Hall Council Chambers
7:00 p.m.



MINUTES



CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Sue Bond called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Present: Sue Bond, Mayor
Glenn Fortune
Carina Schorer
Don Hampton
Rayetta Clark

Council Absent: Dawn Shields
Leah Chapman

Staff Present: City Administrator Gordon Zimmerman
Community Services Director Kevin Urban
City Recorder Chantell Hayson
Police Chief Louis Gomez

Mayor Bond asked for a moment of silence for city employee Floyd Stalcup as his father-in-law, Bernard Reynolds, passed away this week.

CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Aline Goddard, 48452 Jasper Drive, Oakridge: Aline has come tonight to voice her concerns to the Council for the upcoming budget cuts Lane Community College (LCC) is experiencing. It is her understanding that the Oakridge LCC Learning Center is in jeopardy of being a non-staff facility with the only contact being done through appointments. Her biggest fear is the lack of support for individuals such as herself, business owners, students, school staff, and others. She stated that Oakridge residents pay a portion of their property taxes to LCC. She feels this reduction is unacceptable. If it happens, the services will likely not be reinstated in the future by LCC. She does not know how to get LCC's attention on this matter.

Mayor Bond thanked Aline for her comments.

ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Gordon Zimmerman added two letters that he received and will address them under Administration.

CONSENT AGENDA

1.1 Minutes of Regular Session of April 20, 2006

Motion by D. Hampton and seconded by R. Clark to approve the consent agenda. G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), C. Schorer (Aye), D. Hampton (Aye), and Mayor Bond (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

ADMINISTRATION

1.1 Letter of Thanks from City of Westfir

Gordon reported that the City received a letter from Mayor Tonkin of Westfir thanking Oakridge for the donation of some wood from the Hardboard Plant to build new picnic tables.

1.2 Letter Regarding Public Contracting Rules Updates from Attorney

In addressing the second letter, Gordon said that the City has the opportunity to purchase updates of the public contracting rules that were recently updated by the 2005 legislature. The City Attorney has already compiled the updates and is selling copies of the packet for \$95. Gordon said this is a great price since normally we would have to pay \$150 an hour to the attorney and it could take several hours at that rate. He asked Council for their support in purchasing the packet.

Council was in consensus to purchase the packet.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

3.1 Public Hearing: Annexation and Rezone of Map No. 21-35-17-14, Tax Lot 600, 700, and 800, submitted by Randy Horner and Brian Way

3.1.1 Staff Report

Kevin Urban clarified that the Planning Commission has already approved the following requests and all are recommended for approval. He explained to the Council and citizens present that the Planning Commission reviewed the details of the requests before approving. The next step in the process is to go before the Council in a Public Hearing for approval before going on to the Boundary Commission for final approval.

Kevin reported that this particular hearing is three parcels with a total of 1.83 acres north of 2nd Street near the intersection of Diamond Street. It currently has one home and the owner wants to annex into the city for subdividing. He continued to report that

the subdivisions would work well with the timing of the water project for being put in. Water and sewer access is already available for this property. Service to this property will not impair the ability to serve existing portions of the City sewer service. This property is zoned for Urban Residential development at this time.

3.1.2 Statements in Favor

None.

3.1.3 Statements in Opposition

None.

3.1.4 Statements in General

None.

3.1.5 Close Public Hearing

Mayor Bond closed the public hearing and opened for Council discussion.

3.1.6 Council Discussion/Review Findings of Fact

Councilor Schorer stated that based on the location, it looks as though it should be a part of the City and thinks it should be done.

Mayor Bond reviewed the findings of facts as contained in the Staff Report.

3.2 Public Hearing: Annexation and Rezone of Map No. 21-35-15, Tax Lot 103, submitted by Fisher Bros. Investments

3.2.1 Staff Report

Kevin reported that this property is one parcel of 26.56 acres east of Westoak Road and bisected by High Prairie Road. It is currently vacant and the owner would like to annex and develop the property. Water and sewer lines are close to the property but are not sufficient to develop it. There is a 6-inch main about 350 feet from the property and is currently in the process of being moved closer to serve existing homes in the area. He does not expect any impact on the existing utility customers' services. The timing again would be dependent on the water project. He feels this particular development will be the last to occur out of the Public Hearings this evening. This property is within the Urban Growth Boundary and was noted in the comprehensive plan as a potential expansion area that is currently under consideration for exchange with the Willamette National Forest. That exchange has taken place since the Comprehensive Plan was published.

3.2.2 Statements in Favor

None.

3.2.3 Statements in Opposition

None.

3.2.4 Statements in General

None.

3.2.5 Close Public Hearing

Mayor Bond closed the public hearing and opened for Council discussion.

3.2.6 Council Discussion/Review Findings of Fact

Councilor Schorer said that this is another annexation that looks good.

Mayor Bond reviewed the findings of facts contained in the Staff report.

3.3 Public Hearing: Annexation and Rezone of Map No. 21-35-16-11. Tax Lot 200, submitted by Casey Jones

3.3.1 Staff Report

Kevin reported that this is a one-parcel property that is 1.84 acres east of Westoak Road and is currently vacant. The owner would like to annex and subdivide this property. He said that water and sewer mains are already within distance of this property and that it is within the Urban Growth Boundary. As with the others, this development would be timed for construction with the water project. Kevin repeated that there are no issues with the capacity nor will this impair the ability to serve existing portions of the City.

3.3.2 Statements in Favor

None.

3.3.3 Statements in Opposition

None.

3.3.4 Statements in General

None.

3.3.5 Close Public Hearing

Mayor Bond closed the public hearing and opened for Council discussion.

3.3.6 Council Discussion/Review Findings of Fact

Council had no comments at this time.

Mayor Bond reviewed the findings of facts contained in the Staff report.

3.4 Public Hearing: Annexation and Rezone of Map No. 21-35-09-40. Tax Lot 101 and 103, Map No. 21-35-10, Tax Lot 900 & 904, submitted by Keith Leavitt

3.4.1 Staff Report

Kevin reported that this property is four parcels with a total of 74.64 acres east of Westoak Road and the golf course. Water and sewer are already available and the capacity is sufficient after the development of the new water storage project. He stated that this property is within the Urban Growth Boundary and like the others would have the construction timed around the water project. He said the storm water on this project as well as the others would need to be reviewed in depth by the City Engineer. This property is also noted in the comprehensive plan as Urban Residential Expansion.

3.4.2 Statements in Favor

None.

3.4.3 Statements in Opposition

Gloria Robertson, 48235 Y Drive, Oakridge: She wanted to state her opposition to all of the annexations because she feels the City already has sewer capacity issues and this will only make them worse. She would like to know if this is being taken into account.

Mayor Bond said this was part of the study and was in the staff report as okay.

Gloria Robertson responded that Kevin just said there are possible issues that would need investigation. Gloria asked Kevin if he just said it would be investigated or confirmed?

Kevin responded that the City Engineer would review it when the plan for development is ready. Right now the issue is annexation, not development. He said there is no plan because they are not that far in the process. Plans will not be drawn up until the annexation is approved. Once a plan is in place, then it will be thoroughly reviewed as to the impact of other properties by the City Engineer. He continued to say that due to

findings of the Engineer, the owner may or may not proceed with any development, but that will not be known until later.

Gloria Robertson thanked Kevin for the explanation but continued to say that the Council is not being informed of the potential matters with the development.

Mayor Bond said that all the Council is doing tonight is recommending the annexation of these properties to the Boundary Commission.

Gloria Robertson repeated back that the Council is only recommending, not approving at this time.

Mayor Bond said the decision is up to the Boundary Commission for final annexation. Then after that it goes to the Secretary of State for approval.

Gordon said what is happening right now is that Public Hearings are being held for the annexations to get statements in favor or opposition of them. After the hearings close, the Council will vote on Resolutions to approve or not approve the annexation into the City. At this time, no voting has occurred by the Council.

3.4.4 Statements in General

Pam Moody, 48580 McFarland Road, Oakridge: She has some concern of this particular annexation. Her first concern is for the transportation system of this and how it will be submitted with a plan. She is afraid that "shortcut systems" might occur from the top of the golf course to where her driveway exits onto McFarland Road. They are also concerned knowing the high speeds that people travel through the area. The other concern is the development of the hillside and the soil. She does not know what type of development plan will be done but thinks it should be important to the process.

Mayor Bond said these comments are duly noted but that this hearing is only for annexation at this time. When a plan is formed, these types of questions will be addressed.

Pam Moody continued to ask if her property would be affected by the Urban Growth Boundary because her property would now be on the border if this property annexed in. She wants to know if she would have any responsibilities to the City once her property is against the Urban Growth Boundary.

Gordon responded that this would not affect her property.

Gloria Robertson asked why she has not heard anything positive being reported about these hearings tonight.

Mayor Bond responded that the positives are that these individuals have requested this because they want to develop their land and have city services.

Gloria Robertson said that the negatives are really bad though as far as the overtaxing of the systems for electricity and other things.

Mayor Bond said that is not the case.

3.4.5 Close Public Hearing

Mayor Bond closed the public hearing and opened for Council discussion.

3.4.6 Council Discussion/Review Findings of Fact

Councilor Schorer said that she sees this as a good idea and if the owners want this and it is beneficial to all, then it is okay with her.

Mayor Bond reviewed the findings of facts contained in the Staff report.

3.5 Public Hearing: Annexation and Rezone of Map No. 21-35-16. Tax Lot 400, submitted by Richard Kraack

3.5.1 Staff Report

Kevin reported that this property is just less than 19 acres and is south of Salmon Creek in the Odle Lane area. This property is completely surrounded by City property as well as other properties that could also annex later if they choose to. He said there are some issues pertaining to access and for water and sewer hook-up. He continued to say this is a development issue and would be addressed during the development process but wanted the Council to be aware of the issue. Another situation is that it is close to Salmon Creek and that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) would become involved as far as the wetlands and creek is concerned. He said that this property is noted in the comprehensive plan as urban residential zoned.

3.5.2 Arguments in Favor

Richard Kraack, 76370 Klohn Road, Oakridge: He asked if he could speak in favor after he hears what is in opposition.

Mayor Bond said he could speak again to opposition in the general comments session, but he cannot argue with others.

Richard Kraack said to the Council that it would hear tonight about this property being wetlands. He said that this property's ground is conformed of the same material as the rest of the city, which is river rock and silt and has good drainage ability. He said you will hear about deer and pheasants that he said have drifted to this area from Hills Street. He continued to say that as far as access goes he believes it can be dealt with properly with the Forest Service. He does not see any problem with the zoning to R-1.

He said the best use for this property is to subdivide and this would help Oakridge in many ways in the long run.

3.5.3 Statements in Opposition

Terry Kuipers, 76152 Odle Lane, Oakridge: Terry has lived here all his life and recently the Odle Lane residents were approached by city staff to be annexed with a plan that he thought was continuing. He said that now all of a sudden the deal is being changed so a lot of new houses could be built in the immediate area. He believes Mr. Kraack bought the property knowing what it was so why should a housing development be put in. He said with houses being built nearly ten feet apart he would no longer be able to have the privacy to urinate off his own back porch. He does not understand what happened because the Odle Lane residents were happy and willing to annex. He believes he now knows why this annexation is happening; so Mr. Kraack and the City can make more money. He does not want to see houses every ten feet behind him because it is like a wooded area right now. He said he and his neighbors are against this. He continued to say that this is on the property map as designated wetlands along with the Industrial Park property. He said he does not care what Mr. Kraack says about the pheasants; they were not raised on Hills Street. He finished by saying that everyone on Odle Lane and below worked with the City on the annexation and it was all in agreement but now it is being changed.

Gordon stated for the record that Odle Lane residents did not annex and did not agree to annex.

Terry Kuipers said that he did not figure that Odle Lane had a chance to disagree.

Mayor Bond said this current request is not annexing Odle Lane and nothing has been submitted to annex Odle Lane either. This is an individual wanting his own property annexed and nothing more.

Donna Rice, 76150 Highland Lane, Oakridge: She wanted to clarify some items that Terry and Richard said. As a former Eugene resident and knowing about wetlands, she knows that drainage and river rock does not designate a wetland, but rather the animals and types of plants that are present do. She continued to say that construction could endanger or limit seasonal changes for the animals and there is documentation that this area is wetlands. She said that the environmental impact and access are the two biggest issues that the Odle Lane residents are concerned about. Is it in the City's plan to impact this type of an area in this manner, she asked? Is it the City's intent to develop wetlands?

Gordon responded that the developer would have to do wetlands delineation and will have to have mitigation of the wetlands.

Mayor Bond asked who would do the delineation.

Gordon and Kevin responded that the developer would work with DEQ and its requirements.

Donna Rice stated that she has received a letter that states her area is a wetland.

Mayor Bond asked who the agency is that sent the letter.

Donna Rice could not remember what agency it was.

Mayor Bond repeated that this hearing is for annexation not development.

Donna Rice asked that it be put on the record of those people that have spoken this evening to be notified of future meetings on the progress of this development.

Gordon responded that these folks have already been promised at the previous Planning Commission meeting to be notified.

Terry Kuipers responded is that promised or in writing?

Mayor Bond said this is being recorded, if nothing else tonight, and it is on public record and will be followed through by staff.

Gloria Robertson said that water and sewer would affect this annexation also and she wants her opposition noted as well as with regard to access of Hills Street and the Salmon Creek area. She also believes that people should buy and develop properties in Oakridge that are already annexed and empty rather than trying to bring in new property. If development is what people are interested in, then they should develop the properties that are available and have been for ten years now.

Gordon Simpson, 76119 Odle Lane, Oakridge: He said as far as wetlands go, he thinks Mr. Kraack should get a professional opinion about the drainage. He would also like to know about the contingency piece of the sale of the property that Mr. Kraack has. When available, he would like to know the details of the access and development issues.

Mayor Bond said she couldn't answer these questions without the subdivision plan. Once a plan is presented then these types of questions could be addressed.

Gordon Simpson asked if the City could currently handle this water increase right now.

Mayor Bond explained that the City is currently undergoing a 3.3 million dollar water project to upgrade many portions of our water system and that the City would be able to handle these annexations with that upgrade.

Gordon Simpson said that years ago there was asphalt piping laid in the ground in parts of the city. He would like to know if those types of pipes have been replaced.

Mayor Bond responded that this question couldn't be addresses this evening because she does not know about pipes laid in the ground over 50 years ago. She reiterated again that this meeting is about annexation not development.

3.5.4 Statements in General

Donna Rice clarified that the staff says there is adequate water and sewer to this property. She would like to know from which direction this supply would come from.

Mayor Bond confirmed that there would be an adequate supply, but at this time it is unknown from which direction it would run.

Gordon responded that again this couldn't be answered until the development plan comes in. He assured Donna that the city does and will have adequate water and sewer from anywhere in the city.

Gloria Robertson said that it sounds to her like the city is allocating the 3.3 million dollar project to help the development of water and sewer in the area of these annexations.

Mayor Bond responded that that is not correct. She continued to say that the city is borrowing the money to improve the entire water system all over Oakridge.

Gloria Robertson responded that this is a real plus to these annexation owners.

Mayor Bond said yes, it is a plus to these folks as well as the entire city.

Kevin Urban clarified that the \$3.3 million has nothing to do with these annexations. As a matter of fact, the loan has been in process for nearly three (3) years now. The money is being used to put the current one million gallon tank back online, construct a new million gallon tank to replace the current failing tank, put in a chlorine contact chamber, put in emergency back-up generators at the well fields, possibly a new well, and do some distribution projects (new lines) in various locations throughout the city. He repeated that this loan is not for the annexations. It is a project for the entire city system. He also pointed out that these owners that are annexing would be responsible for the payment to construct and attach the lines to the city's main lines. The city is not paying for any of the individuals' costs to reach city mains.

Gloria Robertson said but we supply the water.

Kevin responded yes and they will pay a monthly service fee like everyone else.

Donna Rice clarified that new property owners would be responsible for the water and sewer lines to the city mains.

Kevin and Mayor Bond said this is correct.

Terry Kuipers said he does not understand why it would be a problem for water and sewer to come up Odle Lane if water and sewer is at the Industrial Park. He believes the lines could be put in somewhere besides Odle Lane.

Mayor Bond said this is not an issue for the city to address because the subdivision plan must be done first.

3.5.5 Close Public Hearing

Mayor Bond closed the public hearing and opened for Council discussion.

3.5.6 Council Discussion/Review Findings of Fact

Councilors did not have any questions at this time.

Mayor Bond reviewed the findings of fact contained in the staff report.

3.6 Resolution 6-2006 Annexation and Rezone of Horner, Fisher Bros., Jones, and Leavitt Properties

Motion by G. Fortune and seconded by D. Hampton to authorize the Mayor to sign the consent to annex tax parcel 21-35-17-14, lots 600,700,800; tax parcel 21-35-15, lot 103; tax parcel 21-35-16-11, lot 200, tax parcel 21-35-09-40, lots 101 and 103; and tax parcel 21-35-10, lots 900 and 904, and also directs staff to file the annexation with the Lane County Boundary Commission and adopt Resolution 6-2006. C. Schorer (Aye), Mayor Bond (Aye), D. Hampton (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), and R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Fortune said that there has been a lack of housing inventory and what is here is old and outdated, so any new development is a plus for this community and he for one is pleased to see that the growth is now occurring.

Councilor Hampton spoke first to the citizens that came tonight to discuss the annexations. He informed them that a majority of their questions could have been easily answered by a phone call to city staff. He continued to let them know that if they had concerns after discussing this with staff, they are more than welcome to contact the Council members. He said many of the questions tonight were specific but not related to the annexation process and could have been lessened by asking before the meeting. He continued to say that the questions are all important but should be brought up at the appropriate meetings. He said the Council members are not the experts but rather are policymakers, and with that they rely on the work of the staff to get the details from experts in the field of study. He said all of these annexations are inside the Urban Growth Boundary and are voluntary by the owners. It is the intent of the Council to make decisions to benefit the entire city, not just an individual. As far as the wetlands are concerned, he said it is very important that all the documents be sent to the city

because then it becomes a public document. He said without them it is just someone saying it, not proof. He further said that the Council is not making decisions of development tonight but rather annexation. He said that development issues are what the Planning Commission does. He explained that if the Planning Commission passes something that citizens don't agree with, they could appeal it. At that point the Council becomes the jury to decide if the citizens or the Planning Commission is right on the matter. He advised these people on a final note to attend the Planning Commission meetings and to call staff with questions.

Councilor Schorer is in agreement with Councilor Hampton about seeing the documents on the wetlands. She said the Kraack property concerns her a bit, but that is another discussion.

Councilor Clark said the Council couldn't make intelligent decisions if all the information is not in. She said the more information the Council can get the better their process works. On a final note, she said the owners have requested these annexations and no one here tonight has truly opposed them.

Councilor Schorer continued to comment that the growth is greatly needed and is a good thing for the city. New housing helps increase home values for everyone.

Councilor Fortune reiterated that just because the properties are being annexed does not mean they can be built on. He said this is a decision that will be done later through the development process.

Mayor Bond explained that the Council does not have many questions on this matter because they have already researched the information and had a packet with all the supporting documentation for a week prior to the meeting.

3.7 Resolution 7-2006 Annexation and Rezone of Richard Kraack Property

Motion by G. Fortune and seconded by D. Hampton to authorize the Mayor to sign the consent to annex tax parcel 21-35-16, lot 400 and directs staff to file the annexation with the Lane County Boundary Commission and adopt Resolution 7-2006. D. Hampton (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), Mayor Bond (Aye), and C. Schorer (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

3.8 First Reading Ordinance No. 886: Levying Assessments for West Second Street LID

Gordon reported that the Council held a public hearing and authorized the construction of the West Second Street Local Improvement District. He said the final figures of the costs for the individual property owners are now final and the Ordinance levying the assessment must be completed.

Motion by D. Hampton and seconded by G. Fortune to approve the first reading of Ordinance 886 read by title only. Mayor Bond (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), C. Schorer (Aye), and D. Hampton (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

Gordon proceeded to read Ordinance 886 by title only.

Councilor Hampton asked for clarification on what the percent split of city versus property owners.

Kevin responded that the total cost was about \$540,000 with \$400,000 paid for by a grant from Lane County and city staff did the water/sewer/storm water work.

Gordon said the total project with city work equaled approximately \$750,000 and the owners will pay about \$125,000, roughly 16 percent.

Councilor Clark asked if all of the work has been completed on West Second Street.

Kevin said not yet. There is still some small work to be done, but the money is already available to finish the project.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Louis reported that the Tree Planting weekend went well. He said the community was very responsible and there were no Driving Under the Influence (DUI) citations.

4.1 FireMed Discussion

Gordon wanted to review the request from Council at the last meeting on how much money is being lost through the FireMed program. He said during 2005 there were over 600 ambulance calls, of those 106 were adjusted because of FireMed. Totals write-offs equaled \$30,364. Of the 106, nine (9 or 8%) were written off completely for a total of \$12,710. The City proposes not to raise the cost and to leave it at \$75 a year, but to clarify that if the patient has no insurance, they would not be responsible for 25% of the bill. Paramedics would still retain the judgment of sending the bill or not on those few that they know they will get absolutely nothing back.

Councilor Schorer asked how hard would it be to create a sliding scale system based on income.

Gordon asked some questions about the sliding scale pertaining to fairness and equity. He said it may be able to work if done correctly, but it could get very complicated. He is concerned at this point that the perception needs to change from the city being responsible for the entire bill. After realizing that you cannot legally ask income levels, nor offer the same service at different prices, it was determined that a sliding scale would probably not work nor be legal.

Councilor Clark asked how the old form was worded for payment.

Gordon said the old form stated that we would bill the insurance but what it didn't say is that if you don't have insurance someone (the individual) would be billed.

Councilor Clark said 25% sounds reasonable and better clarification of who gets billed is necessary.

Councilor Schorer agreed with Councilor Clark on clarification and she would like to see some education with this.

Gordon said the form will be clearer and it will be stated on both sides.

Councilor Hampton suggested a FireMed Fact Sheet to go with the application.

Councilor Hampton commented that in the valley the cost is \$50. He said the obvious reason to our cost being \$75 is the additional distance of transport. He then mentioned that the valley is also offering Life Flight. He is curious why we do not offer Life Flight.

Gordon responded that he would look into it further.

The Council was in consensus to move forward with Gordon's recommendations and changes to the FireMed form with an information fact sheet.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Councilor Fortune attended the Lane Council of Governments presentation on education and the work force led by Jack Roberts of Lane Metro Partnership and some Lane Community College staff. The presentation was based on the fact that as we grow, the workforce grows and it has all been growing at about the same rate.

Councilor Fortune attended the Region 2050 meeting. He said the regional problem solving efforts are stopping because the pullout of Cottage Grove and Springfield. However the remaining communities are stuck with the Department of Land Conservation and Development rulings. He continued to say that the funding ends in June and participation with the time lines have pushed it out until October of 2006, which is when the project was projected to be complete.

Councilor Hampton could not make it to the Middle Fork Willamette Watershed meeting due to a conflict with a local meeting.

Mayor Bond is on a subcommittee with Anna Morrison and Warren Weathers to determine the feasibility of consolidating efforts of the economic development groups in Lane County. She will continue to report back to the Council as they meet. She said there seems to be too many economic development committees in Lane County and this group is attempting to combine some of the committees to reduce the amount of meetings.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Clark said she thinks the Tree Planting Festival was really good this year and she has heard a lot of positive comments from citizens.

Councilor Hampton agreed with Councilor Clark and thanked the Council for its support of waiving the WAC rental fees for the Kiwanis Club. He was pleased to see the princesses and Queen help with the actual tree planting. He was saddened that the members of the Middle Fork Watershed Council did not show and he plans to talk with them. He said they are coming up in May to do a field trip to the Haws Property. He will suggest that they view the Buckhead trees while they are up. Another amazing thing to him was the amount of chicken that the Kiwanis BBQ sold over the weekend. He said the Kiwanis Club sold over 700 pounds with two grills cooking at all times and they could barely keep up. He said if they could have cooked more chicken more quickly the club would have sold more. The club passed all inspections by the County Health Department. He mentioned that a few of the motels were full as well as a result of the festival.

Gordon said that the Carnival was quite a success and the Horseshoe Contest went well although there were not many participants.

Mayor Bond reported that the coronation was excellent and attendance was up. She said the princesses did some self promoting and preselling of tickets.

Gordon said about 350 to 400 people attended coronation and about 250 went to the talent show.

Councilor Hampton said the Tree Planting Committee would have a debriefing if someone wants to come and share any information.

Mayor Bond said the committee is meeting on May 22nd. She reminded the Council that the Budget Committee meeting is Monday, May 8, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers and the Sirolli Board training is May 15-19, 2006.

ADJOURN

Mayor Bond adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council May 18, 2006.

Signed: _____
S. Sue Bond, Mayor Date

Attest: _____
Chantell R. Hayson, City Recorder Date