



June 18, 2009
City Council Regular Session
City Council Room
48318 E. First Street, Oakridge OR 97463
7:00 p.m.



MINUTES

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Council Present: Don Hampton, Mayor
Amy Kordosky, Council President
Glenn Fortune
Gerald Shorey
Rayetta Clark
Robert Moe
Randy Dreiling

Staff Present: Gordon Zimmerman, City Administrator
Kevin Urban, Community Services Director
Tim Demers, Fire Chief
Pamela Hart, Finance Director/City Recorder
Louis Gomez, Police Chief

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

A moment in history: Hallie Hills wrote about her ancestors. Lawrence Hills was a former Mayor of Oakridge. The Walker's arrived in Oregon in 1853. They are family of Don Walker and Don Walker, Jr.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Kirk Troute, 76489 Walnut St. Oakridge: I just wanted to touch base with the council regarding the Just Us Festival in the park. This year all the money we raise will be going to Debbie Stalcup for her medical bills. I would like to see the Council consider letting people camp at the park. I realize we would have to have some rules. I don't think it should be about the money.

Mayor Hampton: We are not going to make a decision tonight. I would like to see you work with the staff on this issue. He wants the staff to make the recommendation to the Council.

Barbara Leary, 47675 West 1st St., was concerned talk about the speeding on West 2nd. If speed bumps are put on West 2nd coming around to Commercial, it would help.

Mayor Hampton: I am going to refer this to the Public Safety Committee. They can discuss possible solutions and bring them back to the Council.

Relay for Life solicited donations with the Mayor to match what was collected.

3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Dreiling: Mountain Bike Oregon pays a fee of about \$3,600 to rent the park. We don't just make donations.

Councilor Shorey: I would like to commend Gordon on the quiet zone information.

Mayor Hampton: The Governor has signed a proclamation for the National Guard and wants all cities to do the same before they deploy again.

There is an early bird discount for the LOC Conference if we sign up before July 15. The conference is the October 1-3. The City will pay the registration and housing costs. We need to get commitments from the Council in order to take advantage of this special. All seven members of the Council indicated they will be going.

4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

6.6 SMS services will not be done tonight.

8.2 Westfir Police Services contract is not ready to be discussed.

The Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2) (f) Consideration of Non-public Material will not be held. We will have an Executive Session for ORS 192.660 (2) (e) Property Negotiations.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Minutes of Budget Meeting of May 11, 2009

5.2 Minutes of Budget Meeting of May 18, 2009

5.3 Minutes of Regular Session of June 4, 2009

5.4 Food For Lane County Facilities Request

Councilor Clark moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Kordosky. G. Fortune (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6.1 Public Hearing for the City Budget

6.1.1. Staff Presentation

Gordon explained the changes in the budget due to increases in Health and Dental Insurance. The budget has increased by \$ 80,000 in Personnel Services.

6.1.2. Statements in Favor - No statements in Favor.

6.1.3. Statements in Opposition - No statements in Opposition.

6.1.4. Statements in General - No statements in General.

6.1.5. Council Discussion

Councilor Fortune declared a conflict of interest in adopting the budget due to his gain from being the City's insurance agent for property and liability coverage. Councilor Fortune will not be voting on item 6.4.

6.2 Res. 8-2009 Declaring the City's Election to Receive State Revenues

Councilor Clark moved to approve Res. 8-2009 declaring the City's election to receive State Revenue. R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.3 Res. 9-2009 Certifying Municipal Services

Councilor Fortune moved to approve Res. 9-2009 certifying City services. A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.4 Res. 10-2009 Adopting the Budget

Councilor Clark moved to approve the Res. 10-2009 adopting the 2009-2010 budget, making appropriations and imposing and categorizing taxes for the City of Oakridge. Seconded by Councilor Dreiling. Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye). Motion carried 6-0.

6.5 Res. 11-2009 Balancing Current Year Budget Expenditures

Councilor Fortune moved to approve Res. 11-2009 making adjustments to various line items to maintain the appropriate fiscal balance of expenditures. Seconded by Councilor Shorey. R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Moe (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.6 SMS Services Presentation - Postponed.

6.7 US Census Complete Count Committee

Sarah Altemus will place an article in the City Newsletter seeking committee members.

6.8 July 2, 2009 Council Meeting Discussion

Mayor Hampton requested discussion on whether to hold the July 2nd council meeting. Several members of the council stated they would be absent.

Councilor Fortune moved to cancel the July 2nd Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilor Clark. Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.9 Railroad Quiet Zone Update

A discussion was held regarding the quiet zone and four options presented. The direction was to let the community vote on whether they want the quiet zones and what type of security measures should be taken. Gordon stated that we have some estimates on the cost of the quiet zone.

Councilor Dreiling stated that because there are no grant funds, the cost would need to be passed on to the citizens.

The consensus of the Council is to get more community input. There was discussion on how we want to do this. Do we want to do an election or survey? They discussed the costs of putting this on the ballot. The issue of when the vote should be held was raised. Because it would not cost the City if we waited for a general election, the Council felt we should wait.

Councilor Shorey asked if a night-time road closure was something that Klamath Falls pursued. He asked if this is an automated gate or a manual gate.

Gordon stated that it is a manual-shut gate. Someone would close the gate at 10:00 p.m. and open the gate up in the morning.

Councilor Clark says she has some issues with the fact that we have three accesses in this town to get from one side of town to the other. She doesn't want to turn off any of them. Looking at this from an emergency services standpoint, closing Beech Street doesn't make sense.

6.10 Just Us Music Festival Alcohol Permit

Councilor Clark moved to approve the facilities permit for the Oakridge Just Us Festival on August 1st and 2nd and waive the fee. Seconded by Councilor Shorey.

Councilor Kordosky asked about security.

Mr. Troute said they will have security. The beer garden will be fenced off.

G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.11 Cascade General Store OLCC License

Gordon stated that they have finished the back ground checks on Guy and Jane Malot and they were clear.

Councilor Fortune moved to approve the recommendation to OLCC that the off-premises liquor license for the Cascade General Store be granted. Seconded by Councilor Clark. A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 Res. 12-2009 ODOT SCA Grant

Councilor Fortune moved to approve the submission of a grant to the Oregon Department of Transportation for a Small City Allotment Grant (SCAG) and adopt Resolution No. 12-2009. Seconded by Councilor Moe. R. Clark (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

8.0 POLICE SERVICES

8.1 Lowell Police Services Contract

Councilor Dreiling moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Inter Governmental Agreement with the City of Lowell for Law Enforcement Services. Seconded by Councilor Clark. R. Moe (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

8.2 Westfir Police Services Contract – Postponed.

8.3 Res. 13-2009 Recognizing Unanticipated Revenues for Peer Court

Councilor Fortune moved to approve Res. 13-2009 recognizing unanticipated revenue for the Oakridge Peer Court of \$2,625. Seconded by Councilor Moe. A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

We had a very successful open house last Saturday. Chief Demers wanted to thank the community for coming in. We sold hot dogs and kids played games.

10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Councilor Kordosky reported that the Administration Committee will meet next Monday at 10:30.

Public Safety: Councilor Fortune said we have something to consider at the next meeting: speed bumps

LCOG: Mayor Hampton reported that the next meeting will be in Veneta in two weeks. In September we are going to have a planning meeting.

Chamber of Commerce: Councilor Clark indicated that the Annual Banquet is Saturday at 6:00 at the Willamette Activity Center.

Watershed Council: Mayor Hampton stated that it met last night. The topic was health insurance. They are going from one to three employees. It will take more than one meeting to figure out which plan will best serve the Watershed Council.

LRAPA: Councilor Fortune indicated that it passed the budget 5-4. It was a highly divided board meeting and very non-productive.

Treeplanting Festival: Councilor Kordosky stated that we had a final wrap up meeting. The parade went well. The street fair did not go so well. Mayor Hampton explained that there were a lot of suggestions regarding improvements to the festival.

Regional Fiber Consortium: Mayor Hampton commented that they will be meeting on June 29, 2009, to approve the budget for the upcoming year. They will also talk about strategies on how to make some money.

Parks, Trails and Trees: Councilor Dreiling said that we are looking for another committee member. It looks like we will get our \$25,000 grant for a Parks Master Plan. We were ranked #1 overall. One of the scorers ranked our project with 100 points out of 100 possible.

11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION: ORS 192.660(2)(e) Property Negotiations

No action was taken coming out of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council July 16, 2009.

Signed: _____
Donald E. Hampton, Mayor

Signed: _____
Pamela S. Hart, City Recorder