



July 16, 2009  
City Council Regular Session  
City Council Room  
48318 E. First Street, Oakridge OR 97463  
7:00 p.m.



## MINUTES

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### 1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

Staff Present: Gordon Zimmerman, City Administrator  
Kevin Urban, Community Services Director (absent)  
Tim Demers, Fire Chief  
Pamela Hart, Finance Director/City Recorder (absent)  
Louis Gomez, Police Chief  
Linda Martin, Senior Billing Clerk

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

A moment in Oakridge history was read by Mayor Hampton.

### 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry Phipps, 76587 Westoak Road, said that approximately 3,000 people showed up for the Oakridge 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks at the golf course. Larry Phipps said the Oakridge Moose Lodge must make a \$5000.00 commitment now if Oakridge is to have fireworks in 2010. Larry Phipps asked the council to consider helping fund this community event so that Oakridge can continue to have 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks.

### 3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Robert Moe said that the Oakridge Police Department has done an excellent job helping out at the Oakridge baseball games.

Mayor Hampton stated that the Council can commit to funding the Oakridge fireworks for 1 year in the budget, but not for an extended contract.

Councilor Glenn Fortune asked Larry Phipps if anyone collected donations at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. Larry Phipps said they have but it has not been very successful. Larry Phipps also stated that if everyone in Oakridge gave \$1.00, it would pay for the fireworks.

Councilor Gerald Shorey ask, "So, they didn't lose money; they broke even?"

Larry Phipps responded, "Yes, they broke even, but they are concerned about committing to next year."

Councilor Rayetta Clark thanked the City staff for the beautiful plant sent to her on the passing of her mother. Councilor Clark also thanked the community for being so caring during this difficult time.

Mayor Hampton said that at concerts in Greenwaters Park there is very little shade, and perhaps, concerts should start later since people don't seem to want to sit in the sun.

Mayor Hampton suggested that since the Fire Department has some new equipment they should consider having it out on display for the public to see.

Mayor Hampton said he would like to see more bicycle helmets distributed.

#### **4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

City Administrator Gordon Zimmerman said he would like to add 6.7 Regional Climate Council.

#### **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **5.1 Minutes of Budget Meeting of June 18, 2009**

Councilor Fortune moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Shorey. G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

#### **6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

##### **6.1 Railroad Quiet Zone Update**

No further information at this time.

##### **6.2 2007-2008 Audit**

Councilor Fortune moved to postpone acceptance of the audit to the next scheduled council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Shorey. G. Fortune (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

### **6.3 Oakridge Library CDBG Grant Discussion**

City Administrator, Gordon Zimmerman reported there are no changes to the staff report. Gordon Zimmerman said, "OECD is not believing we can construct the library before the deadline is past. Because of that, they are recommending that we turn what we have already spent into a technical assistance grant and we turn back the grant and then reapply January 1<sup>st</sup> when the rules have changed."

Mayor Hampton said, "It appears that we can apply and we can get more money than the first time we applied."

Gordon Zimmerman said, "That is correct, it is not assured, but they (OECD) are recommending going from \$500,000 to \$800,000 for libraries. The other thing is they are recommending a change in their match--there may not be a match, which is also huge, because that match was \$75,000."

Councilor Shorey moved to cancel the OCDBG Grant No. C06008 (\$500,000) for a new library and return the commitment for the balance of the funding to OECD. Seconded by Councilor Clark. G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), R. Moe (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

### **6.4 Oregon Main Street Grant Program/UBRA**

Gordon Zimmerman said he received an e-mail on the June 29 that said a contract had to be signed by June 30 so he ran it by the city attorney and accepted the grant money on behalf of UBRA.

Mayor Hampton asked why the UWDC couldn't be the fiscal agent.

Gordon Zimmerman said, "I asked that very question. They said that they were concerned, not with the UWDC's position, but that it was UBRA's portion of the UWDC and the people that would receive the money are the people who made the application. So they were concerned about a conflict of interest that they felt would not take place if they gave it to the city."

Councilor Clark moved to ratify the contract between the State of Oregon and the Main Street Façade Grant of the City of Oakridge No. C2009093. Seconded by Councilor Shorey. R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

### **6.5 Oakridge Logo**

Gordon Zimmerman reported the Visitor's Readiness Report which the council adopted requested that the City incorporate mountain biking into the city logo. Eugene Silk Screen developed a sample logo (included in the council packet). The council discussed

some changes they would like in the sample logo. Gordon Zimmerman said he would take the ideas back to Eugene Silk Screen for further development and report back to the council.

## **6.6 Regional Transportation Funding**

Gordon Zimmerman reported that he learned today that the City of Eugene Budget Committee wanted to talk to all of the cities about regional funding for transportation. However, House Bill 2001, which created the Jobs and Transportation Act prohibits counties from doing registration fee funding for four years. The county registration fee is no longer legal.

## **6.7 Regional Climate Council**

Gordon Zimmerman reported that LCOG has been approached to submit an application for ARRA funds. The specific funding is to create a regional climate council. There are going to be 30 areas in the United States chosen for these regional climate councils. The effort is how to work with local governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in areas other than transportation. It is a \$500,000 grant; \$250,000 would go to the University of Oregon who would be teaching the climate showcase program that they have worked up. The majority of the other \$250,000 would be to LCOG for their overview of the system and staffing of the regional climate council. Part of the application is by communities, local governments, interested in joining this regional climate council. The mayor council directed Gordon Zimmerman to respond in favor of participating in the regional climate council.

## **7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

### **7.1 Equipment Release Forms**

The city attorney created Equipment Release forms for agreement between the City of Oakridge and the Oakridge Area Trail Alliance for use of equipment. Anyone using the equipment would have to sign an equipment release form that limits the City's exposure to liability. There was discussion about liability and maintenance of the equipment. Mayor Hampton and the City Council requested that Gordon Zimmerman have the City Attorney further revise the wording on the form.

### **7.2 Greenwaters Park Camping Discussion**

Kirk Troute, representative for the Just Us Concert scheduled to be at Greenwaters Park has requested that overnight camping be allowed. Gordon Zimmerman said that he referred it to the Administrative Committee. It was the decision of the Administrative committee not to allow overnight camping for this event and Kirk Troute has been advised of its decision. This decision was made based on the large number of minors that would be attending the event and possible security and alcohol related issues.

Some potential rules that would allow camping were introduced. The Council sent them back to the Administration Committee for a little more work.

### **7.3 Utility Mapping Proposal**

Pace Engineering, Inc., will do a utility mapping project for \$12,600 which shows all the utility lines in Oakridge in digital format.

Councilor Clark moved to approve the contract with Pace Engineering, Inc. for a utility mapping project. Seconded by Councilor Moe. Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

## **8.0 POLICE SERVICES**

### **8.1 Westfir Police Services Contract**

Councilor Fortune moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Inter Governmental Agreement with the City of Westfir for Law Enforcement Services. Seconded by Councilor Clark. G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), R. Moe (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

### **8.2 Westfir Animal Control Contract**

Councilor Fortune moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Inter Governmental Agreement with the City of Westfir for Animal Control Services. Seconded by Councilor Moe. Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye). Motion carried 5-0.

**8:22 p.m. Mayor Hampton called for a 10 minute recess.**

## **9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES**

EMS Chief Tim Demers reported receiving a grant for heart monitors and the second part of that grant was vehicle exhaust systems for the diesel equipment, to keep the diesel smoke out of the bays. The City has a signed agreement with Ward Diesel to begin the installation of those.

## **10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Public Safety: Chief Gomez reported the cattery equipment has been purchased and is ready to be built. A delay at this time is the sewer line needs to be installed from a greater distance than originally thought.

Councilor Fortune reported that West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Commercial Street traffic issues were discussed by the committee and will be addressed by selective traffic enforcement, not speed bumps.

Chief Gomez reported that a portion of the Dead Mountain Project will be paid for by

Oregon Wireless Network.

Mayor Hampton reported the LCOG board made preparations for the upcoming September 24<sup>th</sup> goal-setting meeting.

Regional Housing Rehab meeting report from Council Clark: The money from the loans that have been paid back is deregulated. We are trying to figure out guidelines on how to use those funds.

Hazeldell Fire District will have an open house to dedicate the new station from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Saturday at the facility on Dead Mountain Road.

The Council went into executive session at 8:45 p.m.

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

No action was taken coming out of the Executive Session:

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council August 6, 2009.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Donald E. Hampton, Mayor

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela S. Hart, City Recorder