

November 5, 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 (Telephone) Gerald Shorey Rayetta Clark Robert Moe Randy Dreiling
- Staff Present: Gordon Zimmerman, City Administrator Kevin Urban, Community Services Director Tim Demers, Fire Chief Jackie Baker, Assistant Planner Louis Gomez, Police Chief

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

A moment in Oakridge history was read by Mayor Hampton.

#### 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT -

Sue True, 76414 Cherry Street, is the president of HOPE, who plans to have Oakridge's own Christmas giveaway with Santa. What they would like from the City is helping Santa arrive. They have a Santa. They just need a way to get him there. This will be on December 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.

Gordon suggested that they contact Katie Zimmerman, student body president at Oakridge High School. The students are trying to do a "Festival of the Trees." If they could have Santa Claus there, they might be able to help each other out.

Marvin True, 76414 Cherry Street, is attending the Ford Family Foundation Leadership Class this year. One of the projects they are considering is upgrading the restrooms at the Salmon Creek Park. He wanted to get the OK from the City. He is consulting with Chuck Kurnick.

Mayor Hampton said for them to bring the details to Kevin to take to the Community Services Committee and then bring this to the council with a recommendation.

Jim Drew, 48405 Jasper Drive, reported on the Veterans Memorial Grant that he applied for. They are still waiting to hear about this. He just wanted to give an update.

#### 3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS –

Councilor Shorey said that Sue True should contact the fire chief because they are doing the light parade for Toys for Tots this year.

Mayor Hampton said that one thing they could keep in mind also is that the Kiwanis Club has a Tree of Joy that they sponsor here.

The Council thought the League of Oregon Cities Conference was good this year.

Councilor Moe commented that he thought it was great that they said the Pledge of Allegiance at the conference and followed it with prayer. We don't see much of that anymore these days.

Councilor Shorey said the council needs to address Goal #11 on the City's goal list--to create a committee for citizen involvement. He would like to get moving on this issue to meet that goal.

Mayor Hampton said that this is more specific that what he thinks it is. We will talk about this under Administrative Services later in the meeting.

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

#### 6.2 Citizen involvement Committee

#### 5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

# 5.1 Minutes of City Council Meeting of October 15, 2009

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

#### 6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#### 6.1 Appoint Library Board Member

Councilor Clark moved to appoint Sue Bond to fill the vacant position on the Oakridge Library Board. Councilor Dreiling seconded the motion. A. Kordosky (Aye), G. Shorey,

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

## 6.2 Discuss Goal #11 Citizen Involvement committee

Gordon stated that this is a state requirement to create a Citizen Involvement Committee. We have advertised two or three times and received no responses from the community. If we are unable to create a Citizen Involvement Committee, it defaults to the Planning Commission.

Councilor Shorey stated that his thought was not what we are talking about. He thought of it as a citizen review committee. He sees this as a group of people that would assist the Council when certain issues come up, which come up fairly often. They would assist the staff as well.

Mayor Hampton said we could delegate this to the Administration Committee and have Councilor Shorey show up there and present his proposal. They can come back with a recommendation for the council.

Gordon said we could just have the three meet and then come back. The next meeting is Monday, November 23, at 10:30 a.m. at City Hall.

# 7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES –

# 7.1 City Engineering RFQ

Kevin stated there were no changes to the staff report. He handed out new copies that had minor changes that the City Attorney had highlighted in yellow.

Councilor Clark moved to approve the publication of a request for qualifications for a new City Engineer. Councilor Dreiling seconded the motion. R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Moe (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

**8.0 POLICE SERVICES –** Chief Gomez reported that the Fall Fun Night was a success. They had over 340 kids, parents and volunteers attend this year.

#### **9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES –** None.

#### 10.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

*Community Services:* They took a field trip up to Sanford Street. They approved that from the water tower up it be a one way road.

Gordon said that this is a recommendation brought from their committee to the Council for approval.

Mayor Hampton asked if we could approve the recommendation right now or is there

some paperwork.

Gordon said they can approve the motion to this affect.

Councilor Shorey asked if this addresses the problem that was presented to the Public Safety Committee.

Councilor Dreiling said it does because the traffic will not be coming down the hill.

Councilor Clark moved to make Sanford Street two way up to the water tower and one way from the water tower up. Seconded by Councilor Dreiling. A. Kordosky (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), G. Shorey (Nay), Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 6-1.

**Public Safety Committee**: They met last Wednesday. The cattery is scheduled to be finished by December 31, 2009. They have had a couple of work parties with only four people showing up to help.

They had discussed a drug free zone; Chief Gomez is looking into this. They are going to identify the areas that would be designated as drug free zones.

They had a number of people attend the meeting voicing their concerns about the police issues going on right now. They would like to see more citizens involved in committees.

**LGOG:** This was a Mayors' Meeting concerning the formation of an Area Commission on Transportation (ACT). They thought it would be relatively easy to establish one but the Lane County Commissioners have hired a consultant that wants to go slower than the mayors would like to go.

Chamber of Commerce: The Chamber will meet on November 16 at Lee's.

*Watershed Council* had its open house. The intent was to get people more familiar with the watershed council itself and to now that it is a 501(c)3, to beg for some more money, specifically for its education program.

LRAPA will meet on Tuesday.

**Trails Committee** had a meeting on Monday night. Members are having a work party for Gray's Creek Trail on LaDuke Road on Saturday at 10 a.m. They are going to try to have more work parties. Officers are in place now.

The Audubon Society is going to conduct a bird count this December. This will be the first count in 17 years.

Tree Planting Committee will meet on Monday, November 9, 2009.

Library Board will meet on November 9, 2009.

**ODAC** meeting was cancelled.

Team Oakridge will meet next Wednesday at 4:00.

Regional Fiber Consortium: The grant proposal that they submitted to the Federal

Government has passed the first hurdle. The Federal Government has been asking a couple of questions along the way to help narrow it down the proposal. Mayor Hampton said it sounded like we were going to get this grant.

Mayor Hampton reported on the Census. Sayre Custer agreed to head up the Complete Count Committee. She went to a meeting this week and according to what she said today, it seems like this community is ahead of all other smaller communities in getting itself organized. Hopefully we will get an accurate count.

Park, Trees and Trail Board meets Thursday, November 12, 2009.

Councilor Clark brought up the American Legion Auxiliary women putting up a coffee stand at the rest area.

Councilor Dreiling said the Community Services Committee met regarding this issue.

Councilor Clark moved to approve the American Legion Auxiliary coffee stand at the rest area. Seconded by Councilor Moe. G. Shorey (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), R. Moe (Aye), R. Dreiling (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

#### 11.0 Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2) (f) Franchise Negotiations

#### (2) (i) City Administrator Evaluation

Adjourned for executive session at 7:45 after a five minute recess.

The Council came out of Executive Session and adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council November 19, 2009.

Signed:

Donald E. Hampton, Mayor

Signed:

Alicia Davidson, Interim City Recorder