



March 3, 2011  
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  
Gerald Shorey, Council President  
Daniel Barclay  
Ernest Baszler  
Rayetta Clark  
Amy Kordosky  
Glenn Fortune

Staff Present: Gordon Zimmerman, City Administrator  
Tim Demers, Fire Chief  
Louis Gomez, Police Chief  
Kevin Urban, Community Services Director (Absent)  
Ruthann Plumlee, Finance Director/City Recorder

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

## 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT –

James Affa - 76340 Garden Road - Read a letter to the Council which is attached to these minutes.

Jim Coey - PO Box 122. - Reporting on the two public forum meeting held on economic development sponsored by ODEAC. The first one was very well attended. At the second one attendance was down. There were a lot of good and positive responses and some ideas of how to continue the process of rebuilding Oakridge.

## 3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS –

Councilor Baszler asked Mr. Affa if he had any suggestion for fixing the audit. Mr. Affa said if it was up to him, he would invite the state in to get the City's books done. He said he knows it wouldn't be free.

Councilor Barclay asked that any agenda items not resolved at a meeting should be carried over to the next agenda until a resolution is found.

Councilor Shorey said his understanding is the audit is complete as of today. Gordon said the field work was completed and a rough draft will be done in about 2 weeks and the final audit should be done 2 weeks after that.

Councilor Shorey thanked the Mayor for the training at the last Council Retreat. He appreciates the Mayor taking the time to provide that. He asked for a more detailed report for the check register to describe what they are written for.

Mayor Hampton said he had spent time in Salem talking with our Senator Prozanski and State Representative Hanna. He talked to them about extending the Enterprise Zone program and raising the gift exemption limit from \$50, which was fine in 1970's, but not anymore with the cost of things. He talked about setting up a rainy-day fund for the state. And concerning the transient lodging tax--to change the ways the money could be spent. He briefly talked about periodic review and updating the comprehensive plan and how important he thought those things were. He also talked about the Open Meetings Law but didn't get the chance to talk about which reasons for holding executive sessions they wanted to do away with. The Mayor said there is a bill to encourage state overnment to maintain net neutrality. He handed out the League of Oregon Cities list of priorities he got at the meeting to the Council.

At the retreat they covered "The Legal Framework for Legal Governments," a document which describe such topics as conflicts of interest, types of government we are permitted to have based on state laws, what kinds of laws we can pass, and personal liability for actions of individual council members.

Mayor Hampton had a question for the Council. He said they have a list of meetings Council members attend and wanted to know if the Council wanted a report from UBRA and HUB as well.

Council Shorey said yes, it would be nice to get updates from the groups.

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

#### **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **5.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 3, 2011**

**Motion:** Councilor Clark moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Baszler seconded the motion.

Councilor Barclay said in paragraph three on page two of the minutes, it should be Mr. Affa's comments, not Mr. Hadley's. The correction was approved by friendly amendment.

G. Shorey (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), D. Barclay (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

#### **6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

##### **6.1 St. Vincent de Paul Fee Waiver Request**

**Motion:** Councilor Fortune moved to approve the rental fee waiver request from St. Vincent de Paul to allow them to teach "Financial Literacy" at the Willamette Activity Center Room 10 from April 20 through June 1, 2011. Councilor Baszler seconded the motion.

Councilor Clark said the class is taught free of charge.

A. Kordosky (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), D. Barclay (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

## **7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Kevin was absent. Gordon said the levee damage near the well field and Salmon Creek Mobile Home Park has been repaired. The levee by the well field, behind Salmon Creek Park, has been moved back almost to the profile it had in 1955. Public Works took a couple of the bigger flat rocks and sunk them into the shoreline for use as benches. He said they are still adding up the cost to do the repairs.

## **8.0 POLICE SERVICES**

Chief Gomez reported that they are working on a drug take-back program for prescription drugs. We have been taking them on a case-by-case basis, but now the Police Department is going to take them anytime. All they are going to ask for is the name of the person dropping them off. He will be doing a news release which will inform the public to take the information off the bottles before bringing them in. He said the bottle and contents will be destroyed in an incinerator at a location in the valley.

Mayor Hampton said that if his memory serves him correctly, the first time they did a drug take-back, there were 80 pounds turned in.

Chief Gomes said yes, but that was through the national program. On April 30<sup>th</sup> there will be another National Drug Take Back event at the Oakridge Fire Station.

Gordon said if the Community Services Director were here, he would remind everyone to take their pills to the Fire or Police Department instead of flushing them down the toilet.

## **9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Nothing to add to the staff report.

### **9.1 Resolution 2-2011 Emergency Services Unanticipated Revenue**

**Motion:** Councilor Clark moved to approve Resolution 2-2011 appropriating unanticipated revenue from receipt of the 2010 Rural Fire Association Grant in the amount of \$16,919 for the purchase of equipment and fire shelters to the Emergency Services Fund. Councilor Baszler seconded the motion.

Councilor Shorey asked what the equipment and fire shelters were for and why we are buying it.

Fire Chief Tim Demers said that's what the grant was for. The radios need to be upgraded to digital or P25 capable by 2018, and this gives Oakridge 13 radios between the two fire districts toward that upgrade, rather than doing it all in one lump sum. The fire shelters are a safety device like a metalized pup tent for wild land fire fighting in case firefighters are caught in flames.

Councilor Shorey said it's his understanding that these are required before they go out on a wild land fire. Chief Demers said yes, that's true.

R. Clark (Aye), G. Shorey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), A. Kordosky (Aye), D. Barclay (Aye), Mayor Hampton (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

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

Administration Committee - discussed the budget schedule and future layouts of City Hall. They also discussed their goals.

Community Services – have a meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Public Safety – met on Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> and discussed the OWEN Project, which is the Dead Mountain Project, and is waiting on a botanist from the Forest Service. The County permits are up to date. They discussed the Justice Court being gone July 1<sup>st</sup>. They have put together costing for a Municipal Court and have passed it on to the Administration Committee. The ongoing cattery project is nearly done. All there is left is some sheetrock and it will be complete. They discussed speed cameras some more and have no recommendation yet.

Mayor Hampton asked Gordon if the Council appoints a Municipal Court Judge and Gordon said they would take applications and the Council would proceed from there.

LCOG – cancelled due to bad weather.

Chamber of Commerce – met Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> and discussed Dave Howlick from the Register-Guard came and showed the new magazine that would be in the newspaper. It would have lots of information about Oakridge in it and people could purchase advertising. In July there will be a Fiddler's Camp in Oakridge, similar to the one in Weezer, Idaho. They are hoping for 60 - 100 people to attend the camp. There will be jam sessions every evening. The camp will be held from July 26<sup>th</sup> to July 29<sup>th</sup> at Westridge School. The cost for kids is \$60 and adults are \$75. The chamber members discussed Kiwanis. There are 21 Kiwanis members, and everyone is urged to join as the group does good things for the community.

Watershed Council – meet at the end of March

LRAPA – had meeting. He talked with Sally Marcos and wants to advertise for members for the Airshed Advisory Committee.

GOATS - meeting moved to March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Tree Planting – Treeplanting and HUB had meetings at same time. Mayor Hampton went back and forth between the two. The Treeplanting Committee is close to publishing the schedule for the events.

Library – meet on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

OEDAC – Meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> had eleven people attend. Meeting started at 7:05 p.m. and lasted until 8:30 p.m. Another meeting was held March 2<sup>nd</sup> and a summary report will be made for next meeting.

Team Oakridge – meeting March 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. They will determine agenda for April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting which is Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the High School Board Meeting Room.

Regional Fiber – nothing new.

Parks, Trails, and Trees - meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Will confirm if moved or not.

A.C.T. – Next meeting is March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Lane Economic Committee - meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

U.B.R.A. - no report.

H.U.B. - met Feb, 28<sup>th</sup>. Two Oregon Department of Transportation representatives were there and explained where their responsibility is on the highway. HUB was originally organized to help businesses clean up and beautify the frontages of their businesses. A few of the businesses were worried that ODOT would come through and undo what they had done. ODOT said they would not take undo their work and ODOT told the group there is not going to be a cement median down Highway 58.

Chief Gomez asked if the safety piece and backing out onto the highway from a business came up.

Councilor Kordosky said ODOT said they would have to inspect and take things on a case by case basis. They said they would not cut off access to a business, as they are not in the business of shutting down businesses.

Councilor Shorey wanted to remind people that the Town Hall meeting will be held March 9<sup>th</sup> at the High School Auditorium starting at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to have information exchange and get ideas from the public as well as to allow them voice their concerns.

Councilor Kordosky recognized Mr. Hadley. Mr. Hadley asked how the Town Hall meeting was being advertised. Councilor Kordosky said there are flyers up and an ad in the Dead Mountain Echo flyer.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Council adjourned at 8:50 p.m. before going into Executive Session under ORS 192.660 (2) f: Review of City Attorney correspondence.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council March 17, 2011.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ruthann Plumlee, City Recorder