



September 19, 2013
 City Council Regular Session
 Willamette Activity Center- Room 8
 47674 School Street
 7:00 p.m.



MINUTES

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Present: Gerald Shorey, Mayor
 Rayetta Clark, Council President
 Glenn Fortune
 Jim Coey
 Ernest Baszler
 Les Biggerstaff
 Christine Slaven

Staff Present: Louis Gomez, City Administrator
 Dale Scobert, Chief of Police
 Tim Whittaker, Interim Fire Chief
 Jackie Taylor, Assistant Planner / Public Works Secretary
 Susie LaDuke, Finance Director/City Recorder (Absent)

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Terry Walker 47438 School Street, Oakridge Or – Nine months ago the council said they had 20 companies that wanted to come to Oakridge. Where are they?

Sandy Price, Oakridge Or – The Chamber had their first Chamber meeting after their break. The next meeting will be held on October 21st. Someone will come to speak about the healthcare reform and what options we have available. Visitor Guide is going strong. She has received positive calls from people all across the nation after viewing the Secret Millionaire, people wanting to move to Oakridge.

3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Coey is on the OEDAC Committee has been for many, many years. He doesn't know about 20 companies that have asked to come here. They do get a lot of inquiries, most of which are very confidential. They get inquires about "do you fit this criteria?" Some of the criteria we do fit and some of it we don't fit. We have problems with power, we have problems with water supply, proximity to I-5, to a College, and these are some of their criteria that they are asking. It's based on what we fit into those categories, sometimes we just have to say "I'm sorry we don't", we are willing to entertain it, we never say no, but we always respond to the inquires, if we don't fit their criteria, we don't fit their criteria.

Councilor Biggerstaff said one of the reasons he ran for council is to find out why we don't have any industry at the OIP. Every thing has to be a secret here. Every time something comes up in City Council nothing is ever done. You will never know what is going on here. What he asks is that somebody writes a report after somebody doesn't come here so we know why, after 15 years of this he doesn't see that happening either.

Councilor Coey said 99% of the time they don't even know who they are; it's an anonymous contact through the State or the County. It's an inquiry that comes to the State.

Councilor Biggerstaff said he knows of two people that wanted to do business at the OIP and weren't able to. We have a park out there, not an industrial park.

John Milandin said we have a recruitment program for the Industrial Park. John communicates with Oregon business, they communicate with companies looking for a place to house their business.

Councilor Fortune asked why we have an Old Business on here for the Chamber Request for TRT funds for the Visitors Guide.

Mayor Shorey said he put that on there to discuss and possibly reconsider.

4.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

6.4 Loading Zone – E First Street and Alder Street

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

Mayor Shorey (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), J. Coey (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6.1 City Administrators Report

The County has put a stop to assisting us in the recertification process in being shovel ready. We need every edge that we can get. Louis asked that we take the zoning strap off at this time.

Councilor asked how this is at a county level when this is a conversation we are having here.

Louis said they got a copy of our draft strap plan.

Councilor Coey asked why they got a copy of it.

Louis said he sent it to John and then he sent it to his Economic Development Partners, which is the proper thing to do and they had a concern.

The county doesn't want to have their planners rezoning this for free, we pay them but we wouldn't pay them extra.

We do have the Planning Commission that can look at any business that might want to go up there, and they can apply for a condition use permit without having to rezone.

Louis is asking the Council to please allow him to call Stan Foster, the facilitator and just ask him to take the zoning strap piece out.

Councilor Fortune asked how often we do we have to go through recertification?

John Milandin said the State has made it a rule, every two years.

Louis said we should be able to start the rehab on well #6 next month.

Louis is waiting on a letter from Union Pacific regarding Amtrak, he doesn't know if they said yes or no. They sent it out; he doesn't know if they put our physical address on there, if they did the post office will send it back.

Garden Road project, the project came in at \$11,000 below bid.

Louis spoke with the owners of the lot on Hwy 58 that he is interested in; they are interested in working with Louis.

6.2 City Recorder-Finance Report

Susan LaDuke is absent, on vacation.

Jackie gave the financial report to the City Council.

6.3 Purchase of Shipping Container

Louis said one of the issues we have as a city is we are either trying to rent or sell and we do not have a decent place for archives of records. The shipping container he'd like to purchase is 20 ft long and about 8 ft wide; it is insulated very well.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked about the old library, there is plenty of room in there to store archives.

Councilor Coey has seen the container and it is very stout and bullet proof. But, we do have the old library and that would be more practical and it's right there.

Louis said they have plans for that room; the Police Department will be moving upstairs.

Councilor Clark asked why we are not using rooms in this building.

Motion: Councilor Biggerstaff moved that we do not authorize the City Administrator to purchase the shipping container for \$4,000. Councilor Coey seconded the motion.

Mayor Shorey asked why we aren't looking at using micro film that is what banks use. He would at least like to look in to this and see what the cost would be.

Matthew Altemus said that is pretty outdated, most people use PDF forms now.

L. Biggerstaff (Aye), Mayor Shorey (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), J. Coey (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), R. Clark (Aye). Motion carried 7-0.

6.4 Approval of Loading Zone at E. 1st and Alder

Louis said Diamond Traffic Products used to have a loading sign; they are not sure what happened to it.

Motion: Councilor Clark moved that we approve the Loading Zone in front of Diamond Traffic Products located at E. 1st and Alder Street. Councilor Coey seconded the motion.

Diamond Traffic Products aren't sure who took the sign, if it was the City or who. This is why they want to go through council so it is official and we all have record of it. Better to be safe than sorry.

It will be working hours 6:30 A.M until 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Shorey (Aye), J. Coey (Aye), R. Clark (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), G. Fortune (Aye), E. Baszler (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye). Motion carried 7-0

**** Chamber Request for TRT Funds for Visitors Guide**

Councilor Fortune said for process; before we get into any discussion there ought to be a motion from the Council for reconsideration that the Council passes.

Mayor Shorey asked for a motion to reconsider the Chamber request for the Visitors Guide.

There was no motion to reconsider.

Motion stands as passed.

Mayor Shorey will not vote for a motion like this until it has gone through the proper Committee and we have heard back from them.

Work Session

U of O Students Medical Facility Presentation

Work session began at 8:02 P.M.

They are asking for \$11,000 from the City. There was discussion on how to do this, i.e.; small low or no interest loan. The Council asked for more time to gather more information and bring it back to the next meeting.

7.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.0 POLICE SERVICES

9.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

*****Old Business**

11.0 Announcements

ADJOURNMENT: The Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council October 3, 2013

Signed: _____
Jerry Shorey, Mayor

Signed: _____
Susan LaDuke, City Recorder

