

# January 8, 2015 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: Jim Coey, Mayor

Les Biggerstaff Christine Slaven Judy Rowland Gary Carl Dawn Kinyon

Staff Present: Louis Gomez, City Administrator

Albert Alcalde, Fire Chief

Jackie Taylor, Assistant Planner / Public Works Secretary

Susie LaDuke, Finance Director/City Recorder

Kevin Martin, Acting Police Chief

Outgoing Mayor Jerry Shorey thanked his wife Joan and the citizens of Oakridge for their support the last few years. He also thanked the City staff, he has had the opportunity to watch them at work and they work, there is a lot that they have to do and are often doing more than one job. Which brings him to the other staff guy, Louis Gomez, our City Administrator, he is actually filling two positions, City Administrator and the City Planner, Kevin Urban's job. He is doing all of this for just the City Administrator pay. Lastly, he would like to thank his colleagues on the Council, they have been through some rather hard times and some good times. They have always walked out of the room friends and they worked well together and he appreciates that.

City Recorder Susan LaDuke swore in Mayor Coey and Councilors Rowland, Carl and Kinyon.

Mayor Coey said we need a motion to declare a Council Vacancy. We will be appointing this position at the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Motion: Councilor Carl moved to declare a council vacancy. Councilor Kinyon seconded the motion.

L. Biggerstaff (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

#### 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim McKee 47412 School Street, Oakridge – Mr. McKee asked permission to read a letter he wrote and then he would like to ask a couple of questions.

Mayor Coey said before you start we have a three minute limit on public comment, there will be no banter back and forth. If the Council wishes to address anything they can do so during Mayor and Council comments.

Mr. McKee said he has thought about this and thought about letting this come to surface itself. Sometimes as a citizen you have a lot of input from friends and you reach a point where you are sick of the arrogance and incompetence and you have to step forward. That is what he is doing tonight. He has been forced to file a complaint with a Federal Agency against the City and a City employee dealing with mail tampering. Maybe as a Councilor you are asking why he is doing this. You should ask why an employee would do that, especially in the position that we are in now with his claim that was just awarded to him. The City and this person will be held accountable. You have the right to assume that he is mad, because he is mad. This has nothing to do with his wage claim. As an employee he was privy to several incidents that he had to remain silent on possibly to keep his job. The events, in his opinion, deal with fraud, misuse of funds and misappropriation of funds at the Fire Department and most, in his opinion, with the City Administrators knowledge. This was committed at the Federal, State and local City level. They were awarded money for the second out ambulance and they got a grant for two years so it was automatically assumed, the Council voted on it and from what he remembers the City Attorney recommended, that they take the millionaire money and balance the budget and that is what happened. We were made privy to that and made to be kept silent while he was an employee of the Oakridge Fire Department. The Council chooses to protect people because of politics or friendships or whatever, you need to accept their baggage also. This is kind of personal and he will address it, 60 days is an admiral time to do it. If at the end of 60 days things are not corrected, he will assume that the City Administrator does not think they are important, does not think they exist or chose to do nothing about it. It is then that he will offer his assistance to you. This is not a threat it is an offer to help. In the past the Council and the City has had a tendency to stick their heads in the sand and not deal with big problems. He won't be filing a lawsuit, he believes the citizens have paid enough due to arrogance and incompetence, it is in this media avenue that he will help. In his opinion, these events will make the Zimmerman incident look like a bump in the road.

Councilor Slaven said it has been five minutes and to please wrap it up, he can finish reading his letter.

Mr. McKee said he knows what happened when it happened, he believes that under Chief Demers and Zimmerman's watch his wage claim nor these events would have never happened.

Sandy Edds Oakridge Oregon – She is here to thank the Council, most people don't realize what a thankless job this is and how much time and effort goes into this. She really appreciates them. We all know where we were six years ago, it wasn't pleasant, she personally felt that she couldn't go to city hall, you were met with arrogance and the City Council was not performing well, or you felt that way. The town was pretty much divided and she wants to thank Jerry Shorey, he went a long way to healing that rift and it was because we could interact at the meetings.

Robin Keever 48889 McFarland Road, Oakridge – Thanked the Council for the December 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Many time she has felt she wasn't important, that the new comers were important. You don't forget about the people that are already here. She appreciates the Council fighting for her, we do have people

that care. The Council doesn't have to be here, you don't have to spend your time here. Don't forget about the citizens, they are the voices of the town.

Dan Barclay 47487 Hwy 58, Oakridge - His expectation of Government at any level is minimal, and that does two things, it increases their potential to meet that expectation and it lessens his expectation to be disappointed if they don't. He expects integrity and discretion from elected officials.

#### 3.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Coey thanked Mayor Shorey and Councilor Clark for their service, they took us through some dark days and we are here today because of you. He also wanted to thank Ernie Baszler, he had to resign in August due to health reasons and also Glenn Fortune who unfortunately passed away, these people all served Oakridge very, very well over the years.

Council meeting are business meetings, public comment is a privilege, not a right. We are willing to listen but, we do need to remember that fact that this is a business meeting. All handouts that come in do need to go to the City Recorder first so it can be recorded. He looks forward to the next four years.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked about putting dates on the Council project updates.

Louis said he will see if he can dig them up, some of them have been on there for years.

Councilor Kinyon said she heard everything Mr. McKee said and she appreciates him but, she is not sure she understands what he is saying. Is he presenting them with a written claim that he wants investigated.

Mr. McKee said once the postal inspectors are done with him they will probably tie in with the City at some point so they can tell their side of the story.

Councilor Kinyon said that was the mail issue but, he also mentioned some ambulance and funds and misappropriation.

Mr. McKee said he did mention fraud and misappropriation and misuse of funds.

Councilor Kinyon asked if all of this was going to be spelled out, what he feels happened?

Mr. McKee said that is all up to the City Administrator, when he sends the letter he will give them 60 days to get this corrected.

Councilor Kinyon asked if he has already presented the information to him.

Mr. McKee said no, that is the City Administrators job, I'm sure he and the Fire Chief are pretty much aware of what he is talking about.

Councilor Kinyon said she would appreciate it if he could spell it out and say what you are claiming.

Mayor Coey said that anything that comes from the public needs to go through City staff first, through the City Administrator and then it comes to us as a Council and then they deal with it from there.

Louis said if it is an issue with him directly then that goes through the Mayor first and if there needs to be an investigation or anything like that the Mayor would need to contact the City Attorney. On any of his staff it needs to come to Louis first and we would do an internal investigation if required depending on what the issue is.

Councilor Kinyon said she is wanting to clarify that if these items of misuse of funds and things like that, if you want that to be investigated then the process she is hearing is that he write them down and forward them to the City staff and they can investigate and then bring it to Council to review.

Mr. McKee asked if it was the staff or the Mayor.

Mayor Coey said it depends on who it is about, if there are issues with the City Administrator then they need to go to the Mayor, if it's an issue with other staff, for instance the Fire Chief then it has to go to Louis first.

Councilor Biggerstaff said we have spent enough time on McKee, we spent the last three months until 9:00-10:00 P.M. he got his money, we are done discussing him as far as he's concerned. He wants to know if Sandy got her contract?

Sandy said she did get it.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked Robin Keever how her thing worked out.

Ms. Keever said she doesn't know, she thought it was going to be discussed tonight. She turned in the paperwork.

Councilor Biggerstaff said did we not agree at the last meeting that by the end of last month if that other guy didn't decide what he was going to do she could get her contract.

Mayor Coey said we have Executive Session tonight for Real Estate property transactions, ORS 192.690 (2) and we will discuss that then.

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

Addition – Executive Session 192.690 (2) (d) Labor negotiations

#### 5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

*Motion:* Councilor Slaven moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

C. Slaven (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

#### 6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#### 6.1 City Administrators Report

Louis wanted to touch briefly in regards to Ms. Keever, there was discussion in the last Executive Session, what happened at the last meeting was that Ms. Keever was asked to turn in an offer, which he has, so the process has started. He sent to the Council our policy of sales in the Oakridge Industrial Park, he is going a little bit of this to explain to the community so they understand what he has to do to make a decision on what project to work on or don't work on immediately.

Councilor Kinyon said she thought she understood from Mayor Coey that the property she is interested in is not part of the Industrial Park.

Louis said it is part of the total Industrial Park purchase, all of it is part of the USDA OIP purchase.

Louis read part of the policy that has been set by previous Council and the USDA.

The main point he wants to make is in our Strategic Plan, one of the key issues is that the community stated that they want the City to help facilitate the bringing in of jobs, created from local business or outside business, we just need to bring in as many jobs as we can. We will talk more about this in Executive Session.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked if part of the deal was that they were supposed to go to OEDAC with any offers.

Louis said we don't have a meeting with OEDAC until the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Biggerstaff said he thinks they would all agree that Robin put this in three years ago.

Mayor Coey said this Council does not have an offer and the last Council did not have an offer. There is no offer in the package, he has looked through it with Susie.

Councilor Carl called Point of Order, there is no motion and we are out of order discussing this.

We are still working on the crosswalk, they haven't established a specific location for it yet. We will need Council input since this is a whole new Council.

We have talked about the empty lot on Hwy 58 and we are looking for other lots for a visitor's center. ODOT has an interest in doing something with it along with the City.

Regarding the fiber for Orchid Health and the Pharmacy, he just received an email from LCOG, for about an additional \$3,000-\$4,000 they can take that fiber to Subway and to the Cascade General Store. Louis will be working with Lane County Economic Development and they have stated that they don't have a problem assisting us with getting those funds to get that done.

Economic Development, we have a couple of companies that we are talking to and a local one, he will brief the Council on that during Executive Session.

The Amtrak Station, Mayor Coey is working on that, they will be setting up a meeting with Congressman DeFazio's office and some of his staff, Lane County Commissioner and some of his staff.

Mayor Coey said they had a meeting with Fay Stewart and his Governmental Affairs person, the County has volunteered to bring the State in to this equation to help pay for the conceptual drawings.

He met Congressman DeFazio in Eugene at a local establishment, he introduced himself and one of the first things Mr. DeFazio asked was how the Amtrak Station was. Mayor Coey told him they want us to put in a pocket track, Mr. DeFazio said oh no, we don't need a pocket track, why would they do that. Mr. DeFazio is on the Transportation Board and he said he will take care of that. They will be having a meeting, hopefully, next month with his staffer and Brock Nelson who is the Governmental Affairs agent for UP and the State of Oregon and Rob Eaton who is the Governmental Affairs Agent for Amtrak.

The Million Gallon Tank and Well, Louis just got an email from the City Engineer, at this point the USDA is doing 25% grant and 75% loan, and they are doing the loans for 40 years at 2.75. He is going to talk to our Engineer, Louis thinks we can do better than that.

Roughly a year ago we talked about the refurbishment of the 100,000 tank at the OIP, we are starting to get some movement and some activity in the OIP so that is a project we many have to move back up and get it hooked back up to the main line.

In regards to the IMBA/ODOT Grant, there is still about \$160,000 available, Ben Beamer and Louis had a discussion with Keith Brown from the Northwest Youth Corps, and it appears that there may be some wiggle room where they can work with us.

Keith Brown said they are still looking at this, the big drawback is the ODOT rules.

The Marijuana Dispensary issues and Recreational Marijuana issues, he will be getting the language to the Council, the recommended language from the City Attorney.

Log Bicycle Racks, he had a meeting with UBRA yesterday, George Custer is trying to get about 20 logs from the forest service to be used on this project. They want to put some in the Uptown and along the Highway.

Franchise Agreements, the City Attorneys have had it for about four months now, this is for Hunter Communications out of Medford. Hopefully in the future they will be able to do home installations.

The LID on North Ash Street, the City Engineer has found three companies and he is getting quotes on that to get that done.

The appraisal on the Industrial Park Way property went up to \$101,000 but, he will talk to the Council about that on another matter.

### **6.2** Finance Report by City Recorder

Susan explained to the Council what reports they will be seeing and what they are for.

Susan gave the Financial Report to the Council.

At our last Council meeting there was discussion about a lease with Sandy Edds. The original lease was handed to Sandy back in July, and there was a lot of back and forth because she didn't want to sign the

original lease, this is typical in negotiations. The lease was signed and put on (my) Susan's desk today. As she reviewed it there are concerns that she wants the Council to be aware of because she doesn't want anyone to come back later wanting to know why this wasn't made public. Originally when the race track project was presented to the Council during regular session, it was stated that the racetrack would be a source of continuing funds that would support the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks show. It was even stated that the fireworks committee hoped to generate enough from the racetrack that they would no longer be asking the Council for TRT or RTMP funds and that is what the Council approved. That was one of the reasons the council approved the rent at \$10.00 a month, when that doesn't even cover the cost of the property taxes that the City pays. However, there is a lot of community support and Council support for this project because it will benefit the whole community. The final lease does not mirror what was discussed at that meeting, the concern she has is that if the racetrack takes off and they make a lot of money, for example, one month they make \$5,000 and the next month they make \$5,000 that does mean the fireworks committee will see any of those funds. The lease was made with two partners, who have formed a partnership that is not yet registered with the state, not the fireworks committee, so the people we are leasing to changed from the time it was presented to the Council. For example, what could happen is the partnership could say they don't have enough money to disburse funds, which is fine, sometimes you need operating costs, and she understands this. Say on the fourth month they now have \$20,000 and the partners decide that money can be disbursed out. How it would be disbursed is that each partner would give \$2,500 to the fireworks committee, the other \$15,000 would be split between the two partners. Which is fine, but the council and the public have a right to know of this change, because that is not what the Council was originally told would happen. Whether that will happen or not she does not know, but that is the reality and because it has a financial impact that is different than what was presented to the Council she wanted the Council to be aware of it.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked how long the lease is for?

Susan said the lease is for two years and then if there is no default then it is renewable for one year increments for five years.

Mayor Coey said upon the approval of the Council. We initially agreed to a two year lease and then we would review from there on, assuming at some point it would be successful and profitable and then we would review the lease. That is his understanding of what they originally approved.

Louis said the piece about the renewal has been there from the beginning and the City Attorney did not have an issue with the extension.

Mayor Coey said this comes down to the Council agreeing to \$10.00 a month for two years. The original conversation was three years but, they decided on two years.

Louis said there is a 90 day termination clause if the Council does not feel this is flowing as it should be.

Councilor Kinyon said she doesn't know who to address this to but, can someone help her understand how the Council approved a lease back in June and it is just being addressed now.

Susan said the Council approved a lease to be drawn up and to allow this group to build a racetrack and that we would give them a lease at \$10.00 a month. The lease was drawn up and presented to Sandy at which point her attorney went through it and made a tremendous amount of changes including who the lease was between, this has been going on back and forth for months.

Louis said the document he gave the Council covers the majority of the concerns and we can bring this back at the next meeting.

Councilor Biggerstaff said that the Council thought there was a lease until last month when Sandy came here and said didn't have a lease and she was going to lose her insurance.

Mayor Coey said there has been a lot of back and forth between her attorney and our attorney, sometimes it doesn't move as fast as we want it to.

Louis said in our Council rules it says that when we change a meeting date the Council may do a motion to change the meeting date, or our past practice has been that we announce we are going to change a meeting and go through our normal posting process as State law says we have to.

Consensus was to go ahead as we have in the past by posting the notices.

Louis said regarding updating our volunteer form stating that applicants attend the Council meeting when Council fills the positions. It is already the policy of the Council to have the applicants present.

Councilor Kinyon said she has reviewed all of the minutes since this Council has been in process when she heard that rule was established and she didn't see that anywhere.

Louis said we put that on the announcements for vacancies that they need to be present. It is an administrative issue and we will add it on. There is responsibility on the applicant also.

**Motion:** Councilor Slaven moved to accept the financial report as presented. Councilor Rowland seconded the motion.

L. Biggerstaff (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

### **6.3** Fill Planning Commission Vacancies

Louis said whenever we have Council Committee vacancies it is your responsibility to fill those. We have a total of three vacancies to fill tonight. The three applicants are Keith Brown, Matthew Altemus and Chris Carey. Chris Carey is not present. All three of the applicants were contacted to attend the meeting.

**Motion:** Councilor Slaven moved to appoint Keith Brown to serve in one of the vacant Planning Commission Positions. Councilor Biggerstaff seconded the motion.

Mayor Coey (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

**Motion:** Councilor Kinyon moved to appoint Matt Altemus to serve in the vacant Planning Commission Position. No second

Louis said we will repost the vacant positions for Planning Commission.

#### 6.4 Memorandum of Agreement with the Oregon Building Codes Division

Louis said the Oregon State Building Codes Division is wanting our Building Department, which is a private entity and our City to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement because we as a City have chosen to use a private entity to be our Building Inspector and Electrical Inspector the State Codes Division is saying is if they are going to do that work for us we need to have a Memorandum of Understanding that you must follow our State Statutes in our code.

**Motion:** Councilor Biggerstaff moved that the City's Building Official and the City Administrator sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Oregon Building Codes Division. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

Councilor Kinyon asked that after reading this is there a specific reason that the City didn't sign it the first time it came around.

Louis said more than likely he didn't see it, so no other reason.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked what Dave Mortier has to say about this?

Louis said they don't like it, they feel it is an interference, however, they will sign it if the City wants them to sign it. The private contractors feel that this is the first step of a grab by the State.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked what happens if we don't pass this?

Louis said he can't answer that directly, he doesn't know.

Mayor Coey asked what the repercussions are?

Louis said with this type of agreement the only repercussion he could see is they would go after Mortier and tell him if he wants to continue in this capacity you need to sign this Memorandum of Agreement.

Mayor Coey asked if we can contact our Attorney about this?

Louis said he has time and he can contact the Attorney.

Councilor Biggerstaff said this is kind of how the State Electrical enforcement began.

Councilor Slaven said she would caution against using our Attorney for this, we pay every time we do that. If we know our builders are ok with signing this and we know the State wants us to do it and it doesn't really impact anyone then (Councilor Slaven was interrupted)

Mayor Coey said we should have Dave Mortier come out and express his concerns and opinions.

Councilor Carl agreed with Councilor Slaven, every time we call our Attorney is costs us money and this isn't a fight we want to take on and he wants to know about it before we start ringing up the cash register.

Mayor Coey said that is why he wants Dave Mortier to come out and talk to us.

Louis said he will have him attend the next meeting.

J. Rowland (Aye), C. Slaven (Nay), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), D. Kinyon (Nay), G. Carl (Nay), Mayor Coey (Nay). Motion failed 2-4

**Motion:** Councilor Slaven moved to reconsider the previous vote to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the State Building Codes Division. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

C. Slaven (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

**Motion:** Councilor Slaven moved to table the discussion for the Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Oregon Building Codes Division until the next meeting. Councilor Kinyon seconded the motion.

Mayor Coey (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

#### 6.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

# 7.1 Removal of Dangerous trees on E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

Louis spoke with our Public Works Superintendent and they have a couple of cotton wood trees, probably 80 ft trees with about 36 or larger diameter branches that need to be removed. When he saw the price tag for \$10,000 to remove the trees he thought are you kidding me? Then he drove by and looked at them and then he understood why. He did contact other people but they didn't even want to give him a quote because of the liability. A number of the large branches are hanging over structures so they will be difficult to remove. Louis said he could take the Mayor out tomorrow and show him where it is located.

Mayor Coey asked if they have contacted Jenson's? They did the work at the Oakridge Mobile Home Park.

Louis said yes they did. They question is, the tree is in the right of way, it's the City's right of way, we didn't plant the tree but it is there.

Councilor Biggerstaff said about four months ago he had a tree he had to take out, it was between a couple of buildings and over power lines, he contacted one company and got a bid of \$4,500 and then he contacted Glass Tree Company and they did it for \$800 and did a good job.

Louis said \$10,000 is a lot of money for this. He is going to withdraw this at this time and contact the company that Councilor Biggerstaff suggested and bring it back to the next meeting.

Councilor Kinyon wanted to clarify who owns the property.

Louis said it is in the City right of way, so we own it. Any property along the right of way of the road, we have so many feet that goes on each side of the surface. The average size of our roads, including the right of way are about 30 feet up to about 75 feet.

Councilor Kinyon said she thought property owners are responsible for the maintenance of the right of way.

Louis said that is where the argument comes in to play with our insurance company and the legal requirement, the danger of the tree falling on structures or people, he can look into that.

Councilor Biggerstaff said they are dealing with this right now in Junction City, what does the city charge? Even though it is a City tree the owners are responsible for it. Are you sure Oakridge isn't the same way.

Louis said the people are supposed to take care of the right of way.

Councilor Slaven said the problem would be is if someone who wasn't the homeowner was injured, they could potentially come to the City for that because we knew it was a hazard and didn't do anything about it.

Councilor Biggerstaff said he had the same argument today, the way the City Charter read is that the homeowner or landowner is responsible and if someone posted a complaint about the sidewalk the landowner is responsible, not the City.

Mayor Coey said we will postpone this to the next meeting and do a little more research, \$10,000 seems like a lot of money for taking down a couple of trees.

### 7.0 POLICE SERVICES

#### 8.1 Summary Abatement of a Dangerous Structure

Chief Martin said the background on this is in mid-October a structure caught fire at 48136 and 48140 E 1<sup>st</sup> Street, the person that owns the house is in a nursing home, he spoke with his daughter and his power of attorney and his intentions are to just walk away from the house and give it back to the bank. The City Administrator has declared it a dangerous building under City Code. Chief Martin is requesting that the City crew or contractor of the City's choice demolish the building and then a lien be placed on the house.

Mayor Coey said this has been ongoing between the bank and the owner, now the owner says he is going to walk away and it's going to end up with the bank. We have been wanting to do something with this property, it is a health hazard and it is right across the street from the elementary school, so we are coming here so we can do something about it.

**Motion:** Councilor Biggerstaff moved that the structures at 48136 and 48140 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street be demolished as dangerous building/structures. Councilor Rowland seconded the motion.

Councilor Slaven asked if there are two structures on the same property?

Chief Martin said there are two tax lots, it was a house with ad ons and then a shop.

**Friendly Amendment:** Councilor Carl moved to Amend the motion pursuant to ORS 95.26 (d) that this be a summary abatement and that the City Administrator declare it a summary abatement, no notice to the owner is required, and that we move forward immediately with the demolition and that a lien be placed and we continue to collect interest on that lien until collected. Councilor Slaven seconded the motion.

Councilor Biggerstaff said he would be careful about using the word abatement, if there is something hazardous in there that the City gets rid of, then you are talking about a whole different system to getting rid of all of that.

Councilor Carl said the advantages of having the Administrator declaring it a Summary Abatement is that we get away with all of the notification requirements.

Councilor Biggerstaff said when anything is abated it has to go to Short Mountain.

Chief Martin said Chuck has to go through part of that process anyway, they have to have people come out and make sure there is no asbestos and things like that, and that is part of the process.

Councilor Carl said in this instance the word abatement refers to the imminent danger of the property, we are abating the danger, not the material in the building. The reason this is worded this way is to give us the ability to remove an imminent danger from the neighborhood, it doesn't have anything to do with abatement of material.

D. Kinyon (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), C. Slaven (Aye). Motion carried 6-0

Chief Martin gave the stats for December, they had 321 calls for service, and 39 traffic citations issued, 21 warnings and 49 cases. Stats for the calendar year are they had 7,999 calls for service, 687 cases, 684 traffic citations and 215 written warnings.

Chief Martin met with USDA in December for the car grants and they gave him information on other grants.

Mayor Coey asked Chief Martin if he could bring the new officers to one of the next few meetings so we can meet them.

#### 8.0 EMERGENCY SERVICES

Chief Alcalde reported the stats for the year, they had 772 calls for the year which is a record year for them. Most of them were during the summertime. 35 of the calls were fire related calls, 725 were EMS calls. Of those 725 EMS calls 423 were actual transports, anytime we transport the average out time is greater than two hours. Our turn out time for our people is about 2-3 minutes, then it takes about 3 minutes and 20 seconds to go from the station to wherever they have to go.

Councilor Biggerstaff asked Chief Alcalde if he has noticed a drop in calls or runs since the clinic opened.

Chief Alcalde said no, they have more calls.

## 9.0 REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Mayor Coey will have the Board and Committee assignments at the next meeting.

The next work session will be on February 21, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Community Building at Greenwaters Park. This is a work session only.

Five minute recess then Executive session 8:43 P.M.

Executive Session ORS 192.690 (2) to conduct deliberations with person designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions and ORS 192.690 (d) Labor negotiations.

Executive Session adjourned at 9:28 P.M.

Regular Session opened at 9:29 P.M.

**Motion:** Councilor Slaven moved that we take the offer we have received for the OIP property under advisement and table it until the meeting on February 19, 2015. Councilor Carl seconded the motion.

Mayor Coey (Aye), J. Rowland (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Nay), C. Slaven (Aye), D. Kinyon (Nay), G. Carl (Aye). Motion carried 4-2

*Motion:* Councilor Carl moved that we appoint Councilor Slaven as Council President. Councilor Rowland seconded the motion.

J. Rowland (Aye), L. Biggerstaff (Aye), D. Kinyon (Aye), G. Carl (Aye), Mayor Coey (Aye). Motion carried 5-0

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned 9:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted before the City Council January	22,	2015
Signed:		

James Coey, Mayor
Signed:

Susan LaDuke, City Recorder