

**City of Coquille
Council Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2017**

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Simonetti, Councilors Hugh Pinkston, Julie Nighswonger, Kyle Wirebaugh, Loran Wiese, and Linda Short.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Dufner, Fire Chief Waddington, Police Chief Sanders, Public Works Director Urban and City Recorder Stolz.

PRESS: The Sentinel

AUDIENCE: A roster of those present is on file in the City Recorder's Office

REGULAR SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Simonetti called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SWEARING IN OF NEW OFFICER

City Recorder Stolz administered the oath to new Officer Harzan.

4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Simonetti spoke about her time at City Day in Salem. She was able to meet with Senator Cruise and House Representative David Brock Smith. David will be moving his new office to the annex building in Coquille and be here full time by July.

Mayor elected the following officials to a committee:

Budget Committee 3 year term- Dave Chappelle

Parks and Recreation Committee 2 year term- Lois Graves and Kim Jacks Levy

Administrative Committee 2 year term- Elizabeth Engva

5. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Wiese said he just spent two weeks in North Carolina at a John Campbell Folks School. They offer classes for woodworking, lathe, blacksmith, and carving. His thought was this would be great at Jefferson school. Councilor Wiese provided a picture of the new development, where they have two story buildings with apartments above and retail shops below.

Councilor Nighswonger announced she would like to attend other city council meetings in other towns just to see how they run a meeting. She learned a lot from CityDay from speaking to other mayors and councilmen.

Councilor Short said she is also grateful David Brock Smith will be moving his office to Coquille. It will be nice to have a house representative local. She reminded everyone that BINGO is Tuesday night at the Community Building at 6pm.

Councilor Pinkston said he is glad to be back from his 50th wedding anniversary trip to Fiji, New Zealand and Australia.

Councilor Wirebaugh welcomed Hugh back from his trip and congratulated Fire Chief Waddington for a successful day at the Pancakes for Life fundraiser.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Finance Director Julie Rowe was absent; City Manager Dufner announced her monthly report.

Finance report: Yield is 2.13%, duration is 2.85 years.

Police Chief Sanders reported that the police department will have another drug take back in April and will be sending out fliers. Also Odd Fellows will be hosting an Emergency Personnel dinner; the mayor announced that children are also encouraged to attend.

Fire Chief Waddington wanted to thank everyone for attending the 20th annual Pancakes for Life. All proceeds go to the burn center in Portland.

Public Works Director Urban said the slide repair is on the County's list to fix but with other projects in the way and the weather, it may be awhile. Our engineer is keeping in touch with the county.

Library Director Conner was absent but Linda Short spoke about the Book Sell at Jefferson School scheduled on March 17&18, on her behalf.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Dufner said no decisions were made at the Council workshop, but it was very helpful to him. He will prepare an alternative budget to show the ideas mentioned.

Dufner asked the city council for a consensus on The Dyer's request to increase the fee we pay them. It has not been increased since 2008 and according to the Consumer Price Index, 12% is the calculated rate of inflation for the period 2008-2016. All council voted yes to raise the fee for The Dyer Partnership.

City Manager Dufner also asked city council for a consensus on abating the lease for Dave Chappelle at Jefferson school. Councilor Weise made a motion to abate the lease, Councilor Short seconded, all voted in favor.

Councilor Short asked about the GP site and what we are going to do moving forward. Chuck replied he has thought about forming a budget committee for the GP site. Councilor Weise said we need to draft an RFP for the GP site. Mayor Simonetti remarked the property has been shown a couple of times and feels if we can offer them natural gas, it would be a better selling feature.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilor Graham made a motion to accept the council minutes from January 9th, 2017, Councilor Nighswonger seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

8. REPORT BY HGE ON LIBRARY DESIGN WITH JOE SLACK

Joe showed the city council and audience slides of designs with the new Library at its new location on Central, where McKay's market currently is.

10. RESOLUTION 01-2017- A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO TRAFFIC AND PARKING IN THE CITY OF COQUILLE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON

Councilor Graham made a motion to adopt resolution 01-2017, Councilor Weise seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

11. RESOLUTION 02-2017 A RESOLUTION REPEALING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION 05-2088, PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY AND SETTING FEES

Councilor Weise moved to adopt resolution 02-2017, Councilor Short seconded, all voted in favor.

12. INSURANCE CLAIM SEWER BACK UP

Tabled until next month, IOOF was not present.

13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Robert Lantz 44 W. 1st St

He would like to change the current city ordinance prohibiting the firing of a gun within city limits, so he can turn Boblin's (his variety store) into an indoor shooting range. Mr. Lantz would insulate the property to block out the noise and ventilate the building to accommodate all the gun powder. He already has cement walls in the building. There is no indoor shooting range on the Oregon Coast, and he has spoke with many citizens who would like to see this happen. Councilor Weise asked Bob to get some more information about the gun range and come back and present it to the council. Robert said he was going to Eugene to speak with other gun range owners and get more information.

15. ADJOURN at 8:40 pm

City Recorder, Jennifer Stolz

Mayor, Kathi Simonetti
