

CITY OF ROCKAWAY BEACH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Aagaard called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. There were (11) eleven guests present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Joanne Aagaard, Council President Sue Wilson, Councilors: Jim Doyle, Myrna Riley, Terry Walhood and Nathan Beeman. Also present: City Manager Lars Gare, City Attorney John Putman, Public Works Director Luke Shepard, and Police Chief Charlie Stewart. Absent: Parks & Recreation Director Melissa McCarty and Fire Chief Barry Mammano.

CONSENT CALENDAR Wilson made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to approve the consent calendar, the minutes of the November 9, 2016, regular City Council meeting and the November 2016 check register as presented; Wilson, Walhood, Riley, Beeman and Doyle voted in favor; motion carried.

**CITIZEN INPUT
NON-AGENDA
ITEMS** None.

**PRESENTATIONS,
GUESTS & AN-
NOUNCEMENTS** None.

STAFF REPORTS Mayor Aagaard noted the Fire Chief and the Parks & Recreation Director were not in attendance.

Police Chief Stewart reported the department had seen a 50% increase in total calls over last year. He stated he was planning on an increase in training this year and planned on sending 2 officers to the Multiple Interactive Learning Objectives instructor course in Lincoln City in March. He reported that this Saturday 3 officers had attended Shop with a Cop at Fred Meyers. Stewart stated from December 15 through January 1, 2017 they would be doing DUI saturation patrols, using funds from grants and ODOT. He thanked those who had responded to his donation letter. Walhood thanked Stewart for helping with the Lighting of the Christmas Tree and for delivering Santa.

Public Works Director Luke Shepard reported things were rolling along for Public Works and they were quickly moving into a very busy first 6 months of 2017. He stated the first of these projects was the water membrane upgrade at the Water Treatment Plant which would start January 9, when they would take the water plant off line and tear it down and install the new components. He reported that toward the end of January the impoundment expansion was scheduled to go out for bid.

Shepard stated that also in January the City should receive the notice to proceed for the Nature Preserve Trail project and would get the project out to bid in February. He reported the last remaining FEMA project would also go out to bid in February. He stated the Hwy. 101 crosswalk at Washington St. improvements were still under review at ODOT and his understanding was that if it was approved for funding, it would go out to bid in February as well. He said the City had been able to budget for quite a bit more paving than usual this year and was looking forward to checking off a few more items on the paving priority list. He noted they had been doing their best to keep the Christmas lights on. Shepard said with the little cold snap they were able to salt the roads with the new salt spreader.

City Manager Lars Gare thanked the Beautification Committee for the decorations and Public Works for their help with the lights that were given to the City by Tillamook Coast. He thanked Myrna Riley for taking over Rich Riley's seat on the City Council until the end of his term; adding that he really appreciated it. Gare pointed out that there was a report in Council packets from Nan Devlin reporting on what she was doing as far as the advertising the Council had hired her to do. He noted Devlin would be training Tammi Lappier on website maintenance. He stated he had been mulling over the idea of increasing TRT by 1% so he would do some more research on that. Gare described how there were other cities that licensed and inspected short term rentals and if the City advertised a rental on the City's website and they were licensed and inspected it would help staff to know who was renting their property. He stated he had met with the Fire Department to discuss where they should go from here; whether they should go out for a levy or form a district, but bottom line they needed some advice from a consultant. He noted the start of the Water Treatment Plant membrane project in January and that the new membranes would extend the life of the plant. He reported that the Civic Facility kitchen was pretty much complete, Terri Michel was in the last of ordering things for it and it had had some test runs. He asked if Walhood's event had gone well. Walhood said it had and she and the chef had been very pleased with it. Gare stated this was a good example of a grant that went well.

**2ND READING OF
ORD. NO. 16-429**

Mayor Aagaard stated this was the amendment required for the Rockaway Beach part of the Salmonberry Trail project. She said the Planning Commission action was complete and the public hearing was held. She noted the first reading had occurred at the November 9, 2016, City Council meeting and the City Planner's staff report detailed the process. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to move the second reading of Ordinance No. 16-429; Wilson, Doyle, Walhood, Riley and Beeman voted in favor; motion carried. Gare performed the second reading.

APPROVAL OF

Doyle made a motion, seconded by Beeman, to approve Ordinance No.

ORD. NO. 16-429 16-429 amending the City of Rockaway Beach Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Transportation Plan; Doyle, Beeman, Wilson, Riley and Walhood voted in favor; motion carried.

CC DECISION ON HOW AN APPEAL WILL BE HEARD Gare explained that this related to the public hearing for the appeal of a Planning Commission decision of a variance. He stated the City Council needed to decide whether the matter would be heard de novo or on the record. He noted the City Planner had recommended it be heard on the record and he would agree with that. Gare stated he was recommending that the Council allow the public hearing be heard on the record. He said the Planning Commission had two meetings covering this variance and they had done a thorough job. Riley made a motion, seconded by Wilson, to hear the matter on the record; Riley, Wilson, Beeman, Walhood and Doyle voted in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR APPEAL OF VAR.#16-03 Gare announced that the Council would not be able to have the public hearing as the appellant and his attorney and the applicant were unable to get to Rockaway Beach because of the weather. City Attorney John Putman advised the Council that they should continue the hearing to a date certain to avoid additional advertising requirements. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Riley, to continue the hearing to the regular City Council meeting of January 11, 2017; Wilson, Riley, Beeman, Walhood and Doyle voted in favor; motion carried.

RENEW OF IPM LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY Gare stated the Police Museum lease had expired and the Council had the proposed lease with a 3% increase until June 30, 2017, then they would renew the lease again with another 3% increase that would carry the agreement to the end of the following fiscal year. He stated the museum had done very well at that location. He said he would recommend approval of the lease and believed it was an advantage to the City. Beeman made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to approve the lease with the International Police Museum; Beeman, Walhood, Doyle, Riley and Wilson voted in favor; motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Mayor Aagaard convened executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(I), Evaluation of the Performance of an Employee at 6:32 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION Mayor Aagaard reconvened regular session at 7:02 p.m.

CC COMMENTS Doyle expressed his displeasure with people who said the City had cancelled the Kite Festival when in fact the Council had simply adopted a resolution to disallow the Wayside to be reserved on the three holidays; Memorial Day weekend, the 4th of July and Labor Day weekend. Walhood announced her decision to resign from the Beautification Committee. Gare thanked her for service to the committee and the community. Beeman thanked Riley for stepping into her late husband's position on the City Council for the remainder of his term. Riley thanked

everyone for the experience saying she had enjoyed it and would miss them all.

**MAYOR'S
REPORT**

Mayor Aagaard asked the City Attorney what would happen next in the Tai Dang land use issue.

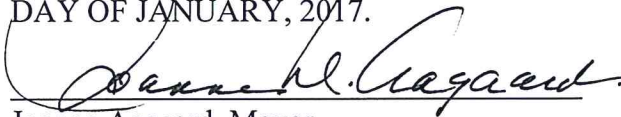
**ATTORNEY
COMMENTS**

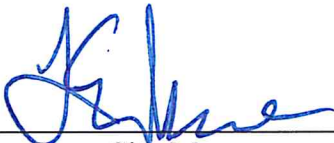
Putman updated the City Council on the potential law suit between Tai Dang and the City of Rockaway Beach regarding the structure at 201 S. 6th Avenue.

ADJOURN

Mayor Aagaard adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 11TH
DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.


Joanne Aagaard, Mayor



Lars Gare, City Manager