

# City of Rockaway Beach City Council Meeting Minutes

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**Date:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021  
**Time:** 6:00 P.M.  
**Location:** Rockaway Beach City Hall, 276 HWY 101 -Civic Facility

**CALL TO ORDER** – Sue Wilson, Mayor

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor - Sue Wilson: Present  
Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Present  
Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Present  
Position #1 - Mary McGinnis: Present  
Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Present  
Position #2 - Tom Martine: Present

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Wilson had a question on the check register. She asked about a Rental Center purchase, Shepard stated that it was the purchase of an emergency generator. Wilson asked a question regarding phone payments. Shepard explained the way the phones/IT are paid for.

Martine made a motion, seconded by Walhood to approve the November 10, 2021, minutes and November 2021 check register; motion carried.

Position #2 - Tom Martine: Motion  
Position #4 - Terry Walhood: 2nd  
Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve  
Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve  
Position #1 - Mary McGinnis: Approve  
Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve  
Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve

**CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**PRESENTATIONS, GUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Fire Chief, Todd Hesse, Geoff Grace Co-instructor and Program Coordinator with Tillamook Bay Community College Brooke Bennet gave a presentation regarding the recent EMT Class that was put on at the Rockaway Beach Fire station. Bennet stated the partnership with the Rockaway Beach Fire Department has been the best partnership she has ever experienced. Hesse introduced firefighters Nick Theoharis, Dan Golden, and Kelsey Tobin. Hesse stated the three firefighters have passed the national exam and written exam certifying them as EMTs. Hesse presented the three individuals with the official Oregon EMT patch, certificates, and Emergency Medical Technician pin.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Deputy Chris Rondeau stated he would like to pass on information to the Rockaway Beach Citizens to make sure they keep an eye on any deliveries coming to their homes to make sure no packages are stolen. Rondeau stated there is a program with Tillamook County Sheriff's office to sign up if you have any outside cameras. If a crime occurs, the Sheriff's office could contact you to see if anything was caught by your surveillance system that may help solve open cases.

Fire Chief Todd Hesse stated the emergency calls have started to drop during the month of November. Hesse said after showing other departments in the county the LUCAS device, the departments have decided to start purchasing the device. Hesse mentioned he is still looking for a grant to replace the air packs. Hesse stated the job position is now open for the Fire Department. Hesse stated he appreciated Councilor McGinnis' time this month and extended the invitation to the other council members to come by the station and discuss the Fire Department.

Public Works Superintendent Dan Emerson stated that November was a very crucial month for planning due to weather. Emerson mentioned the department has scheduled maintenance at the pump station on NW 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. Pump number one will receive a rebuild. Emerson stated in December a new pump would be installed at the N 4<sup>th</sup> pump station. Emerson said the Lions Club has donated benches to the city. Emerson mentioned the department put up the holiday decorations around the City.

City Manager, Luke Shepard stated the tree lighting went very well and that at least 400 people attended. Shepard said the Department of Revenue is ready to collect the Transient Room Tax on the City's behalf beginning the first quarter of 2022. Shepard stated he complied the Councilor's ideas from the last meeting and is looking forward to continuing setting priorities for the 2022/23 budget year.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON GOAL SETTING FOR THE 2022/23 BUDGET YEAR**

The council discussed the draft goals. Shepard stated he would work on the list and provide estimates on time, costs etc. for the February Council meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **REAPPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS PAT OLSON AND GEORGEANNE ZEDRICK**

Walhood made a motion, seconded by McGinnis to reappoint Pat Olson and Georganne Zedrick to the Planning Commission; motion carried.

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Motion](#)

[Position #1 - Mary McGinnis: 2nd](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve](#)

[Position #1 - Mary McGinnis: Approve](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

### **APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

McGinnis made a motion, seconded by Walhood to appoint Kristina Woida to position number 6 on the planning commission; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Mary McGinnis: Motion](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: 2nd](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve](#)

[Position # - Mary McGinnis: Approve](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

## **COUNCIL CONCERNS**

Hayes stated she would like to see a workshop with the planning commission and citizens on the goals for the city.

McGinnis thanked all staff and thanked Chief Hesse for inviting her to the Fire Department and meeting with her. McGinnis also thank Emerson for showing her around the Public Works treatment plants.

Walhood thanked everybody who stepped up and helped with the lighting of the tree.

Cheek stated she has looked more into the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade route with volunteers and thanked all staff and volunteers.

Martine said he saw videos of the tree lighting and was very impressed


**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Wilson thanked Myrna and Dottie for stepping up to help decorate the city. Wilson also thanked the councilors and planning commission for a great year.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 12<sup>th</sup>  
DAY OF JANUARY 2022

  
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Mayor, Sue Wilson

  
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City Manager, Luke Shepard