

City of Rockaway Beach City Council Meeting Minutes



Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Council Chambers, City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Aagaard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. There were eighteen (18) guests present.

ROLL CALL

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Present

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Present

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Present

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Present

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Present

Position #5 - James Doyle: Present

Also present: Interim City Manager Terri Michel, City Attorney John Putman, Public Works Director Luke Shepard, Fire Chief Barry Mammano, Police Chief Charlie Stewart and Parks and Recreation Director Melissa McCarty.

Mayor Aagaard announced she would be doing a roll call vote on all future votes.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Walhood made a motion, seconded by Wilson to approve the consent calendar as indicated.

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Motion

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: 2nd

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Approve

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Approve

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - James Doyle: Approve

CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Bill Kaiser, 516 S Dolphin, stated his sewer was plugged since before Christmas. He stated he had a plumber out, then called PW. He said it was flushed, but it did not fix the problem. He stated he had a low spot in his sewer system at his property. He said he called Zwald out and tried to flush it out. He also mentioned the disrepair of the road from S. Easy to S. 6th Ave.

PRESENTATIONS, GUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Melissa McCarty announced the date of the Italian Dinner and Silent Auction and asked for volunteers. She stated that Parks and Recreation had raised \$2000.00 last year and had a lot of help. The prices this year would be \$10.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children and she would check into a senior discount. She added that donations would be accepted at City Hall for the Silent Auction

and tax deduction receipts given. She said the next would be the Easter Egg Hunt and asked for a volunteer for the Easter Bunny.

Fire Chief Barry Mammano reported the department had 145-man hours for 16 people, 1 fire call, 1 water rescue, 1 MVA and 21 medical calls. He stated that the Santa at the Station event went well and 45-60 kids attended.

Police chief Stewart thanked everyone for recognition during Law Enforcement Appreciation. He stated that there had been 5,122 total calls. Stewart stated that Officer Begin had left the RBPD after 2 years of service and had left for Chemeketa Community College. He said that with this loss and Killion retiring, the RBPD was down 40% of summer staff. He explained that 4 candidates moved forward from the recruitment efforts and he would continue the process for when the budget allowed for a new hire. He addressed recent publication in the newspaper, stating that the supplemental budget from last year had been approved by City Council and that issues talked about only included expenditures, not revenue. He said an excess of \$40,000.00 had been raised by the PD and the rest was left in general fund. He explained that the Scenic Railroad had partnered with the upcoming Polar Plunge and beyond bringing in more people, they would donate a portion of the money collected to the Special Olympics Oregon. He asked for a commitment from the RBVFD to help with the Polar Plunge. Mammano stated they would be available. David Elkins, 363 Longview Loop, commented on what thought of the number of RBPD officers and the amount of work to be done.

Public Works Director Luke Shepard reported that the holidays had gone smoothly for PW and that the staff had covered well while he was out. He stated that there had been a fire at the main lift station due to PUD problems and a 40' section of culvert had been replaced at Dolphin. He reported that the holiday lights had been taken down except pole lights which would be left through January. PW was doing a lot of heavy equipment maintenance and light replacement, which PUD would pay a portion from the energy savings program. He stated he was working on safety program and invited OSHA in for consultation. He stated that the budget looked good halfway through the fiscal year and the expected capital expenditures occurred in the second half of the fiscal year. He noted that the Nature Preserve and crosswalk bids had gone out. Wilson asked about sewer lines that needed to be replaced and if Mr. Kaiser was one of those lines. Shepard stated that the location of Mr. Kaiser's line had several problems which included gravity and being the last home on the line so there was not a lot of flow. Hayes asked if yesterdays' cleaning caused his problem and asked if a notice could be posted when this routine maintenance was done. Shepard stated he could put something together to post, but he only received a days' notice at times and this maintenance had been done for the last six years without incident. Hayes asked about a Local Improvement District for Easy Street improvement. Shepard stated there was not a good surface in that area which caused more problems and he had considered removing the surface to go back to gravel, however it was a heavily used access road. Walhood thanked the Public Works Department for their work at Christmas.

Interim City Manager Terri Michel thanked the City Council for their confidence in her and appreciated the appointment to Interim City Manager. She reported on the County Commissioners meeting she presented at, sharing how the TLT money had been spent on the Civic Facility kitchen and the Nature Preserve. The Commissioners were happy with results. She shared the Planning Commissions' plans to revise the zoning ordinances and future meetings including a workshop, open house for the community and a regular meeting following these where changes would be voted on and referred onto the City Council. She said the holiday lights and trees had been much more successful this year as well as the Village Lights used in front of City Hall. She explained the new construction at the end of the building to keep water out of the Civic Facility. She reported on

a new lease started with Pacific Office Automation for copier lease and service as well as a new phone system which would save \$500.00 per month.

ELECT CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Doyle made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to elect Sue Wilson as City Council President;

Position #5 - James Doyle: Motion

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: 2nd

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Approve

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Approve

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - James Doyle: Approve

APPOINT PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER

Mayor Aagaard stated there were several vacancies on the Planning Commission that needed to be filled. She said an application from Mary McGinnis, who had expressed interest in serving as a Planning Commissioner, had been included in packets.

Wilson made a motion, seconded by Hayes, to appoint Mary McGinnis the Planning Commission.

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Motion

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: 2nd

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Approve

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Approve

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - James Doyle: Approve

REQUEST FOR USE OF WAYSIDE

Mayor Aagaard stated that included in the packets was the application for the use of the Wayside by the Lions Club for their Rockaway Lions Hot Dog Wagon with the attached schedule. She said that all requirements had been met and they had requested a permanent spot. Shelly Perez, 374 Gregory, Wheeler stated they were asking for additional days due the July 4th and every weekend in August. She asked to remain in a permanent location and noted they were licensed this year.

Hayes made a motion, seconded by Beeman, to approve the request for use of the Wayside by the Lions Club for the Rockaway Lions Hot Dog Wagon.

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Motion

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Approve

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Approve

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - James Doyle: Approve

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Hayes asked that the Planning Commission application be posted and was directed to its location on the City website. She expressed her enthusiasm for the work the Planning Commission was proposing. Beeman thanked PW, P&R, FD, PD and Michel for all of their work last year. Wilson thanked Michel for her acceptance of the Interim position and stated she believed a lot would be accomplished. Walhood thanked Michel and stated all services had done a great job.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Aagaard stated that she appreciated the Christmas decorations and the work on the Civic Facility looked good.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Putman congratulated Michel and stated that in his years with the City she had been of great service with all of her knowledge. He stated he had one appeal on hold in mediation Hettervig vs. Choruby and the City. He stated they would determine whether settlement was possible by end of January. He said he had been busy in review of proposed amendments to the zoning code.

ADJOURNMENT

Wilson made a motion, seconded by Beeman, to adjourn. Mayor Aagaard adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Motion

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd

Mayor - Joanne Aagaard: Approve

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve

Position #2 - Sue Wilson: Approve

Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - James Doyle: Approve

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF FEBRUARY,
2018.


Joanne Aagaard, Mayor


Terri Michel, Interim City Manager