

CITY OF ROCKAWAY BEACH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 11, 2016

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Aagaard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. There were eight (8) guests present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Joanne Aagaard, Council President Sue Wilson, Councilors: Jim Doyle, Myrna Riley and Terry Walhood. Also present: City Manager Lars Gare, City Attorney John Putman, Public Works Director Luke Shepard, Fire Chief Barry Mammano, Finance Officer Marni Johnston, and Police Chief Charlie Stewart.

CONSENT CALENDAR Walhood made a motion, seconded by Wilson, to approve the consent calendar, the minutes of the April 13, 2016, regular City Council meeting and the April check register as presented; Walhood, Wilson, Riley and Doyle voted in favor; motion carried.

CITIZEN INPUT None.
NON-AGENDA ITEMS

PRESENTATIONS, GUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS None.

STAFF REPORTS Fire Chief Barry Mammano reported they had 148 man hours last month, 1 MVA, 2 water rescues, and 17 medical calls. He stated they got to play with their jet skis on Lake Lytle and had a practice burn coming up.

Police Chief Charlie Stewart stated that as summer approached they continued to stay busy and were currently 373 calls ahead of last year. He reported Officer Begin was doing well at the academy and would be back in the department to complete his training in June. He stated Officer Killion was projected to return part time at the beginning of June. He said they had recently applied for Officer Rondeau's certification. Stewart stated the police department would continue its maintenance training in the coming month with firearms, a Driven to Distraction course and Officer Rondeau would attend the Field Training Officer course. He reported they planned to continue the traffic safety grant work in May and June, the Seat Belt Blitz being done state wide starting May 16 through May 29. He stated currently they had two Pedestrian Safety Exercises scheduled for June 7 and June 21. He told the Council he appreciated their support by adopting the proclamation for National Police Week 2016.

Public Works Director Luke Shepard stated he had spent yesterday in Salem where he gave the presentation for the OPRD grant for the Nature

Preserve and it went relatively well. He stated the Commission was impressed with the work the City had done to date. He said the City was asking for \$375,000.00 that was a little more than they grant, but they had removed the cap this year. He stated he had received good feedback and the City would find out if its awarded in June. Shepard reported Public Works would be doing some paving in the next few days and had notified people who would be impacted by the work. He explained they would be paving Longview Loop and NE 12th Ave. tomorrow and both would be opened by afternoon. He stated next week they would be paving S. 2nd Ave. and there would be some rerouting. He noted that with the good weather they would get the paving done before the rush of people came to town. He reported that he was still working on the FEMA reimbursement paperwork for the flood damages from December and he would keep the Council posted. Shepard stated they were moving forward on the crosswalk at Washington Street, the engineering would be done and submitted to ODOT for approval, he didn't know how long that would take. He added that there were quite a few unknowns as far as timelines. He stated as soon as the paving was done they would move to the PVE reservoir to build the booster pump station.

City Manager Lars Gare announced that the Kite Festival was coming up on Memorial Day weekend. He said from what he understood Shepard had done a good job at the OPRD presentation. He stated one observation he had heard was that one of the Commission had noticed the work the City had done since its last application. He reported that staff had done the first round of interviews of the Park & Recreation Director position, the second round was tomorrow and in the meantime the City had Kathy Kammerer carrying on. Gare stated he anticipated filling the vacancy on the Council next month. He stated Public Works had done good work on prepping NE 12th Ave. for paving tomorrow after the undermining due to the flooding in December. He stated Center Market had opened up as scheduled and was open 24/7. He reported TRT revenues were ahead of what had been anticipated. Gare said finally he was pleased with everything staff, Public Works and the Fire Department were doing to work together with FEMA and all the projects. He said he was very pleased with how City staff was performing.

**2ND READING OF
ORD. NO. 16-427**

Mayor Aagaard stated there was a continuing problem with nuisance alarms and at the April Council meeting the first reading had been accomplished. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to perform a second reading of Ordinance No. 16-427, by title only; Wilson, Doyle, Walhood and Riley voted in favor; motion carried. Gare performed the second reading by title only.

**ADOPTION OF
ORD. NO. 16-427**

Mayor Aagaard stated the second reading having been accomplished, the ordinance was now ready for Council action. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to approve Ordinance No. 16-427 an ordinance proscribing general offenses related to fire & security alarm systems, defining terms; providing penalties; amending the Rockaway Beach City

Code of Ordinances Chapter 131; and repealing all City ordinances and City code provisions inconsistent therewith; roll call vote, Wilson – yes, Doyle – yes, Walhood – yes, and Riley – yes; motion carried.

**2nd READING OF
ORD. NO. 16-428**

Gare stated the current provisions for background checks were inadequate and this ordinance would take care of that. He said the first reading had been accomplished at the April Council meeting. Walhood made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to perform the second reading of Ordinance No. 16-428 by title only; Walhood, Doyle, Wilson and Riley voted in favor; motion carried. Gare performed the second reading by title only.

**ADOPTION OF
ORD. NO. 16-428**

Mayor Aagaard stated the second read having been accomplished, the ordinance was now ready for Council action. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to approve Ordinance No. 16-428 an ordinance establishing criminal history record check policies concerning applicants for potential employees, tow truck drivers, liquor license applicants and certain volunteers; amending the Rockaway Beach City Code of Ordinances and establishing Chapter 35 “Police Department Administration”; and repealing all City ordinances and City code provisions inconsistent therewith; roll call vote, Wilson – yes, Doyle – yes, Walhood – yes, and Riley – yes; motion carried.

**PROCLAMATION
RECOGNIZING
NAT’L POLICE
WEEK 2016**

Mayor Aagaard stated the Council had before them a proclamation recognizing National Police Week 2016. Gare explained this was an annual event that recognizes Police Departments service to the country, community and was a summary of what police officers experience throughout their careers. He added that flags would be at half-staff that day and he was asking for Council’s adoption of the proclamation. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Wilson, to approve the proclamation recognizing National Police Week for 2016; Doyle, Wilson, Walhood, and Riley voted in favor; motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED
USES OF STATE
REV. SHARING**

Mayor Aagaard convened the public hearing at 6:24 for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding proposed uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds in the 2016-2017 budget, as required by ORS 221.770(1)(B). She asked twice if there was anyone desiring to testify on the matter before the Council. There was no testimony. Mayor Aagaard concluded the public hearing on the proposed uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds to be received by the City of Rockaway Beach in its 2016-2017 budget. She declared the public hearing closed at 6:25 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING
ON BUDGET FOR
FY 2016/2017**

Mayor Aagaard convened the public hearing at 6:26 p.m. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding proposed 2016-2017 budget for the City of Rockaway Beach. Dave May, 165 S. Palisade St., stated at the last meeting he had brought up the Police Department. He said he had done some research and looked at past budgets and the increases to the Police Department budget with no increases in the City’s population. He stated the General Fund had increased by a lot less and the City needed to cap the Police Department budget. He stated he liked the Police Department,

but the City needed to limit the department to 3 officers. May thought the Sergeant position needed to be removed along with overtime and call out time. He stated it might be too late for this budget, but it should be looked at in the future. Wilson thought they should look at attrition and that not increasing the police budget may be a leveler. May noted he had prior years' budget, if the Council wanted copies. Barry Mammano, 620 N Pacific St., wanted to know why there was such an extreme difference between what the Police Department received out of the TRT Fund versus what the Fire Department received. Finance Officer Marni Johnston explained that when she'd made the calculation she'd looked at the General Fund and used the percentage of what the police and fire received out of that fund to allocate the TRT funds. Mammano expressed his concerns regarding the Fire Department needs and the unfairness of TRT distribution. Doyle asked if those things weren't discussed during the preparation of the budget. Mammano pointed out the police overspending in last year's budget. Karen Mahurin, 966 S. Beacon St., asked if the possibility of the Fire Department not setting off the fireworks had been discussed. Mammano said it had been discussed and someone else would be doing the fireworks in 2017. Mayor Aagaard asked if there was any further testimony. There was none. She concluded the public hearing on the proposed 2016-2017 budget for the City of Rockaway Beach and declared it closed at 6:34 p.m.

FINAL BUDGET DISCUSSION

Walhood stated with regard to the TRT she would think those funds would be more evenly dispersed between the departments because both were such an important part of the community. Wilson stated it seemed wrong and she didn't understand the discrepancy. Gare explained that it was in personnel costs and they're huge, but if personnel were cut there would be an increase in overtime. Wilson thought the fire department should form a district. Gare said that was what he was in favor of, it would let the people pay for the services. He noted it was difficult when the City didn't get the property tax revenues it needed. He stated a fire department could be as expensive as a police department. Walhood thought the fire department should look at forming a district, but also look for property out of the inundation zone because there was money out there for that. Mayor Aagaard said to form a district it had to go to the voters. Walhood thought a majority of the citizens would be in favor of a fire district. Gare stated the fire department would have a fairly easy time making that argument because people can imagine a burning building and it may be time to make that move. He stated some money had been set aside for a consultant to help form a district. Discussion continued regarding forming a fire district and what other communities were currently doing. Walhood asked how they would begin. Gare stated he had never done one so he would ask someone who had formed a fire district. He noted that one big advantage was that the City had the equipment, but the location was the issue for the City there would be logistic considerations. Walhood said the City needed to move forward and investigate. Gare stated it was possible that other surrounding districts could put out a ballot measure to annex portions of Rockaway Beach's urban growth boundaries into their district. Mammano

stated Rockaway Beach had the lion's share of the property tax income compared to the other cities.

**ADOPTION OF
RES. NO. 16-644**

Mayor Aagaard stated this one resolution contained all four actions required for adoption of the City fiscal year 2016/2017 budget. Gare explained that the resolution contained four items that needed to be done each year; adopt the fiscal year budget for 2016/2017, approve the appropriations of funds, categorize the taxes and approve the tax levy. He noted this resolution would adopt all four items. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Riley, to approve Resolution No. 16-644 adopting the fiscal year 2016/2017 budget, approving the appropriation of funds, categorizing taxes and approving the tax levy; Wilson, Riley, Walhood and Doyle voted in favor; motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF
RES. NO. 16-645**

Mayor Aagaard stated this resolution was required by the State of Oregon enabling the City to receive Revenue Sharing Funds. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to approve Resolution No. 16-645, enabling the City to receive State Revenue Sharing Funds; Doyle, Walhood, Riley and Wilson voted in favor; motion carried.

**APPROVE REQ.
FOR USE OF THE
WAYSIDE**

Mayor Aagaard stated the Chamber had submitted all three requests for Council approval and all requirements had been met. Gare stated the Council had three applications in front of them; the Kite Festival, the Pirate Festival and the Arts and Crafts Festival. He stated the Chamber had submitted all at the same time this year and everything was in place. Walhood made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to approve the Chamber of Commerce applications for the use of the Wayside for three annual events; Walhood, Doyle, Riley and Wilson voted in favor; motion carried.

**APPROVE REQ.
FOR USE OF THE
WAYSIDE**

Mayor Aagaard stated the International Police Museum had submitted an application to use a portion of the Wayside on July 4th and all requirements had been met. Gare stated the City had the deposit and the insurance. Wilson asked if the insurance was for \$2,000,000.00. Gare said it was. Walhood made a motion, seconded by Doyle, to approve the Police Museum application for use of a portion of the Wayside on the 4th of July; Walhood, Doyle, Riley and Wilson voted in favor; motion carried.

**FORWARD APP.
FOR OLCC W/
RECOMMEND
OF APPROVAL**

Mayor Aagaard stated Offshore Grill was under new ownership and needed Council's recommendation for approval for their liquor license to be accomplished. Gare explained that the Council didn't approve the application they were just forwarding it to the State for their approval. He stated the State runs background checks, so the City wouldn't have to. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to forward to OLCC the liquor license application submitted by Offshore Grill with a recommendation for approval; Wilson, Walhood, Doyle and Riley voted in favor; motion carried.

CC COMMENTS

Wilson said she was looking forward to more people being in town. Walhood stated she would be working with Public Works to get the new

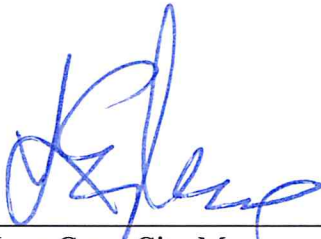
planters out and looking good for Memorial Day. Doyle wanted to get going on forming the fire district.

**MAYOR'S
REPORT**

Mayor Aagaard stated they had received thank you card for the flowers the City sent Steve Bauer for the loss of his father. She brought up the dog park request. Gare stated the Council had passed an ordinance to put a marijuana sales tax on the ballot, so it is an administrative role and staff would take care of that.

ADJOURN

Mayor Aagaard adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.



Lars Gare, City Manager

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 13TH
DAY OF JULY, 2016.



Joanne Aagaard, Mayor