

City of Rockaway Beach City Council Meeting Minutes



Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Rockaway Beach City Hall, 276 HWY 101 -Civic Facility:

***** SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED, MASKS RECOMMENDED, AND NO MORE THAN 25 PEOPLE IN THE ROOM AT A TIME*****

CALL TO ORDER – Sue Wilson, Mayor

ROLL CALL

[Mayor - Sue Wilson: Present](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Present](#)

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

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

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

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Present*](#)

* Via Phone

CONSENT AGENDA

Walhood made a motion, seconded by Beeman, to approve the May 13, 2020 minutes and check register; motion carried.

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

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

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

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

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

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

CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Zandra Umholtz, 601 N 3rd Rockaway Beach, OR., stated she was reiterating from the last Council Meeting regarding the 4th of July block party.

Jeffrey Schubert, 400 N Ocean St. Rockaway Beach, represented Rockaway Beach CERT and asked for upcoming support.

PRESENTATIONS, GUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFF REPORTS

Todd Hesse, Fire Chief, said the COVID-19 Pandemic was still impacting the department. He said the crews continue to follow the guidelines as set forth from the County and the Oregon Health Authority. He stated the department had received 2 applications for membership during the month of May and was working on a campaign to recruit a few more members to volunteer. He said the Tillamook County Fire Defense Board Chiefs were currently researching a phone application called Pulse Point. He mentioned this application is downloaded to a citizen's phone and it alerts those nearby when there is a Cardiac Arrest emergency. He said the department had received a donation of an Auto Pulse from Tillamook Adventist

Hospital. He mentioned he reached out to the State Parks and neighbor departments to develop and implement a public education program to reduce the number of fires and water rescues along our beachfronts. He said he receive a shipment of public education supplies from the State Fire Marshalls office, the supplies include materials for home escape plans, smoke detector safety, wildland fire safety and campfire safety. He stated these materials would be carried by the crews and handed out as the opportunity arises. He stated overall, his mission and goals remain the same. He would continue to take care of the immediate safety of his crew and public needs as his highest priorities, he would keep the Council informed and updated on the status of the Department. He said he welcomed the opportunity to serve the Rockaway Beach community and be responsive to the desires set forth by Council and the Citizens we have given him the privilege to protect. Charlie Stewart, Chief of Police, said through the month of May the Police Department continued to work on projects to better prepared for the upcoming summer rush. He mentioned they had seen an increase in population as some of the COVID-19 restrictions had been lifted and the weather had improved. He stated the third and final heat pump had been replaced on the operations section of the Police Department, this would provide improved heat control for the officers and equipment as the previous unit failed after 5 years. He said just a reminder for those that have not found them on Facebook, that this was a great resource to get Police Department information regarding upcoming events and issues impacting the City. He mentioned even though all structured events for July 4th had been canceled this year they are still expecting a large influx of people to our community, he had been working with City Manager, Luke Shepard, and Fire Chief, Todd Hesse, to develop a plan for the 3-day weekend and the increase in call loads. He said they were honored to be able to continue to serve the community during these trying times. Luke Shepard, ProTem City Manager and Public Works Director mentioned that the bags were ready at City Hall. He mentioned in the past it had been first come first serve, but this year going forward there would be a limit to insure equal distribution among all businesses within the City limits. He stated his appreciation to have Todd Hesse, the new Fire Chief onboard and welcomed him with his full support. He said the 4th of July would be different this year with all the cancellation of events, he mentioned the Wayside would still be open with available porta potties. He stated he had meet with Hudson Insurance and there was no need to renew the workers compensate resolution as there were no additions this year. He mentioned the Hwy 101 Waterline Project Phase III was completed and came in under budget by \$45,000.00. He said there would be postings on the City's Facebook page of updated photos of the Boardwalk.

OLD BUSINESS

CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON EXPIRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE MUSEUM LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY

Wilson read the following: The current lease between the City and the International police Museum (IPM) expires on June 20, 2020. IPM wishes to extend the lease for another three years, at the current rate and conditions. IPM currently pays \$327.82 with a 3% annual cost of living adjustment clause.

Councilor Walhood, Hayes, Martine, Cheek, Beeman, and Mayor Wilson provided input on the topic.

Barry Mammano, 630 N Pacific Rockaway, OR. stated his thoughts on the topic.

Cheek made a motion, seconded by Hayes, to re-present a 1-year lease to the Police Museum at \$500.00 a month; motion carried.

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

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

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

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

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

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

2ND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 19-435 CREATION OF PUBLIC FACILITY ZONE

Wilson stated the following: This ordinance would allow the City to create a Public Facility Zone. A first reading of Ordinance No. 19-435 took place on October 9, 2019.

Shepard provided a brief statement recapping the creation of the Public Facility Zone Ordinance No. 19-435.

Counselors Martine, and Walhood stated their thoughts on this Ordinance.

Hayes made a motion, seconded by Cheek, to adopt Ordinance No. 19-435; motion carried.

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

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

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

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

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

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

ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 19-435 CREATION OF PUBLIC FACILITY ZONE

Wilson read the following: With the second reading of Ordinance No 19-435 complete, the Council may now adopt the Ordinance. A Public hearing on Ordinance 19-435 was held on October 9, 2019.

Beeman made a motion, seconded by Martine, to adopt Ordinance No. 19-435; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)

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

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

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

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PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USES OF STATE REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

Wilson stated the following: This Public Hearing allows Citizen input regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget. Additional testimony also may be taken from those who did not already testify regarding possible uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds.

Wilson opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m. Public Hearing closed at 7:07 p.m. No citizen asked to give input.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-688 DECLARING CITY'S ELECTION TO RECEIVE STATE REVENUE

Wilson read the following: State Revenue Sharing Law requires cities to annually pass a resolution requesting state revenue sharing money. Approval of Resolution 20-688 would satisfy the State's requirement and allow the City to receive Revenue Sharing Funds in the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.

Beeman made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to approve resolution 20-688 declaring City's election to receive state revenue; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)
[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: 2nd](#)
[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)
[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)
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PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 **FINAL BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Wilson stated the following: the purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive citizen's testimony on the budget approved by the Budget Committee.

Wilson opened the Public Hearing at 7:09 pm. Public Hearing closed at 7:09 pm. No citizen asked to give input.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-689, ADOPTING THE CITY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

Beeman made a motion, seconded by Walhood, to approve resolution 20-689 adopting the City budget for fiscal year 2020-2021; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)
[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: 2nd](#)
[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)
[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)
[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Disapprove](#)
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[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-690 WORKERS COMPENSATION TO COVER VOLUNTEERS

No action taken. Resolution unnecessary as no additions were made to the workers compensation plan this year.

DISCUSSION ON FILLING THE POSITION OF CITY MANAGER

Councilors stated they were all in favor to hire a City Manager within.

Walhood made a motion, seconded by Martine, to appoint Luke Shepard as City Manager; motion carried.

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Motion](#)
[Position #2 - Tom Martine: 2nd](#)
[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)
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Shepard excepted position as City Manager.

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Hayes said the budget went much better this year then it ever had, she wanted to explain why she had voted no. She stated the auditor had provided a list of things to do and she doesn't see some of those happening. She mentioned she was thrilled that Shepard is taking the position as City Manager. Beeman said he wanted to congratulate Shepard. He stated a welcome and congratulation to Chief Hesse. Cheek stated that she wanted to congratulate Shepard. Walhood said she thanked Shepard for excepting the position. She stated she thanked everyone for all they had done, and Janet McIntire for a beautifully done budget. Martine said he welcomed Chief Hesse.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Wilson said she thanked Chief Hesse for coming aboard. She mentioned she was thankful that Shepard is City Manager and the amount of security he provides to the City moving forward.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

He said he wanted to echo the Councilor comments, with super good news all around. He mentioned a trial that is going forward in a few works but feels good with the City's position.

ADJOURNMENT

Hayes made a motion, seconded by Beeman, to adjourn at 7:26 pm.; motion carried.

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

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

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MINUTES APPROVED THIS 8TH
DAY OF JULY, 2020.



Sue Wilson, Mayor



Luke Shepard, City Manager