

**WORK SHOP MINUTES**  
**DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**  
**29592 ELLENSBURG AVE**  
**GOLD BEACH OR 97444**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2009 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR WERNICKE @ 6:30 P.M.**

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

	<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
Mayor James Wernicke	X	_____
Council Position #1 VACANT	X	_____
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X	_____
Council Position #3 Peter Peterson	X	_____
Council Position #4 John Truesdell	X	_____
Council Position #5 David Alexander	X	_____
City Administrator Ellen Barnes	X	_____

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS**

Mayor Wernicke performed the "swearing in" of Jeff Crook to Council Position # 1.

Wernicke - Too many meetings too close together - CA is overburdened-suggested holding any new issues until after January 1, 2010. The 11-16 workshop was cancelled, the Dec 7<sup>th</sup> workshop is still on.

**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:**

The council reviewed city ordinance # 597, (the Transient Room Tax) and discussed possible revisions to better align the ordinance with current community needs and update the selection process for the promotion committee.

Comments and suggestions:

1. Some of the things in the original ordinance don't exist any more.
2. Look at studies that show affects of rising bed taxes.
3. Get a legal opinion-current ordinance is very limited - it is probably more restrictive than state laws. May want to get the ordinance more in line with the state law. Ferguson and several people in the hospitality industry also agree.
4. ORS Sect 320 sub 7 A-D (definitions) - may also want to cross reference revenue.
5. Sect. 17 is in conflict with paragraph N.
6. LOC has a model that would work better.
7. Page 2 Ex Director should report to the CA or designee.

8. Page 4, section 6 E -why are mobile home parks and RV parks excluded?
9. The 25% penalty was discussed.
10. Violation can go 3 years (stat. of limitations).
11. How to address the nominations of the committee.
12. Need clearer definition of recreational facility.
13. How the money can be spent
14. Council approval of expenses needs to be loosened up.
15. Prepared food tax and tax on jet boats?
16. Membership issues need to be discussed.
17. Serve on Chamber & Promo simultaneously?

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**POLICE FUNDING AND VARIOUS COMMITTEES**

Police Chief Janik conducted a power point presentation (A) regarding a staffing analysis and his requests for additional officers.

Not a good idea to use grant funds to hire officers. That would be a band aid fix-not a long-term solution. Perhaps have "signing bonuses"?

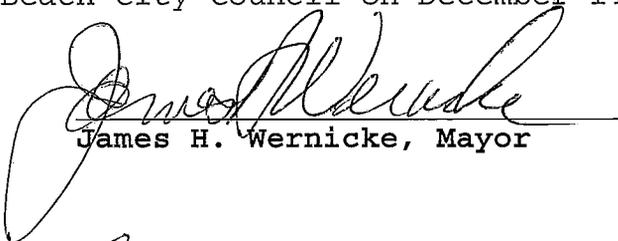
Dissolve the PD and let the sheriff's officer cover the city for a fee?

Truesdell said he found 73% of the funds needed in the current budget.

Port is getting a free ride re police protection coverage?

**ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M.**

Approved by the Gold Beach City Council on December 14, 2009.



James H. Wernicke, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Shirley Walker, Recorder

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