

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
29592 ELLENSBURG AVE
GOLD BEACH OR 97444
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010
REGULAR MEETING: 6:30 P.M.
DRAFT MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL

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

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mayor James Wernicke	X	_____
Council Position #1 Jeff Crook	X	_____
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X	_____
Council Position #3 Vacant	_____	_____
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X	_____
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X	_____
City Administrator Ellen Barnes	X	_____
Student Liaison Mackenna Marstall	X	_____

****NOTE:** If anyone wishes to address this Governing Body, please present a completed "Business from the Audience" request to the Mayor at this time. Your request will be added under the CITIZEN COMMENTS section of our agenda. Comments and participation from the audience shall be limited to 5 minutes without redundancy.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS:

OFFICIAL SWEARING IN OF DOUG BRAND, COUNCIL POSITION # 4 AND TAMIE KAUFMAN, COUNCIL POSITION # 5. (A)

Mayor Wernicke performed the swearing in of Doug Brand and Tamie Kaufman as the two new council members.

INTRODUCTION OF INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY, LAUREN SOMMERS WITH WATKINSON LAIRD RUBENSTEIN BALDWIN & BURGESS FROM EUGENE OR.

(B)

Lauren Sommers-Gave the council a brief background history of her work experience and stated her practice is primarily Municipal General Advice Law. Her previous firm represented the City of Eugene, also the Cities of Brownsville, Sutherlin and Florence and the Air Protection Authority.

The mayor, council and student liaison individually introduced themselves. The city administrator had previously met Ms. Sommers.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting 2/8/10: Special Meeting 2/16/10: Workshop 2/23/10 & 2/26/10: Town Hall 2/25/10. Wernicke stated the 2nd page of the 2/8/10 minutes that were copied for the council was the wrong page 2. The on-line version was correct.

MOTION->Brennan moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the correction of page two, dated 2/8/10 being replaced with the correct page two, second by Crook. Crook, Brennan, Brand and Kaufman voted "AYE". VOTE 4 AYES

CITIZEN-REQUESTED AGENDA ITEMS:

OASIS HOUSE FUND RAISING - Lea Sevey, Executive Director of Oasis Shelter House (C)

Sevey stated she was generating interest for their fundraiser. All you can eat pizza fundraiser at Sunset Pizza for \$10 a person, 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. sometime in April-date TBA.

Looking into a fundraising program where a card can be purchased at any participating Subway for \$10. You would get 32 buy one-get one free subs. Some high school students will be selling the cards. We also need sponsors to help sell these cards-businesses, civic groups and individuals.

When preparing your state taxes-please write in Charity #22 for a donation from your refund to go into a fund for Domestic Violence Shelters-Oasis receives a portion of this fund.

Due to our nation's economic problems, cash donations to Oasis have steadily declined. Oasis has received less than half (39%) the cash donations received two years ago.

PUBLIC CONTRACTS AND PURCHASING:

CONTRACTING WITH WATKINSON LAIRD RUBENSTEIN BALDWIN & BURGESS FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERIM LEGAL SERVICES

Barnes stated the contract was just received today. Copies will be given to the council. It is a fairly straightforward Special Services Contract. They will be billing us at \$150 per hour for their services. This is an interim contract, which will give us the opportunity to actually go out for A

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) or REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) to seek permanent legal services.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE 635 - AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SIX PERCENT TRANSIENT ROOM TAX AND PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTION AND DISBURSEMENT OF SAME, PROVIDING PENALTIES AND APPEALS PROCEDURES, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 597 AND ANY OTHER ORDINANCES THAT MAY BE IN CONFLICT - DISCUSSION (D)

Wernicke- stated this has been before the council three or four times and asked why we keep postponing the first reading.

Kaufman- stated she had a potential conflict of interest because she manages vacation rentals and collects the transient bed tax for those rentals and wished to step down at this time.

Sommers- stated that is correct-Kaufman should not participate in the discussion but did not have to step down from the dais.

Barnes- stated we have a contract with Jot's that states they must approve all changes to the ordinance before the ordinance can be approved and enacted. About a month ago, in discussion with the management at Jot's, there was one item they wanted changed. It was pertaining to whether or not members of the board of the Chamber of Commerce could serve on the Promotion Committee. That change was made as described in your cover sheet and the original wording was put back in. My recommendation is to go ahead and include the language.

There has been additional discussion amongst management at Jot's. They are now concerned about other aspects of the ordinance. At this time, they have decided they are not in support of the changes. I have a meeting scheduled with Virginia McKinney and Amy Gaddis next week to discuss the matter further.

Wernicke-stated one of our concerns was the tourist season is beginning and we really wanted to get this on the fast track. If we have to continue under the old ordinance, every expenditure of the promo committee has to be approved, in advance, by the city council. For one reason or another this procedure wasn't exactly followed in past years but should be followed and would be followed if we still have this current ordinance in front of us. Time is of the essence.

We should plan for another meeting after your meeting with McKinney and Gaddis to see what we can do to get this off the ground.

Barnes-Yes. That is probably the most problematic of not proceeding with the changes-the fact that I would have to work with Jeff Ferguson, the Director and instructing him that all expenditures will have to come to council. That will dramatically, drastically slow down the work of the promotions committee and promotions program.

Brand-Page 15 (F) The way I read it you are the check writer? (Yes, for this and for the city) I have a problem with the verbiage at the bottom of "F" - ANY EXPENDITURE DECISIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE NULL AND VOID AND NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CITY AND INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR THE EXPENDITURE.

Barnes-Correct - that was the language from the original ordinance.

Brand-If you are the check writer, that seems kind of moot. It is not enforceable.

Barnes-Yes, this is another issue of why we need to change the ordinance. You are pointing out another reason. A lot of what you are discussing is language from the original ordinance.

Brand-An individual can't write a check so therefore they couldn't be held liable.

Wernicke-By having the tax administrator approve, they stand in line between the known void and personal liability. You also have to guard against the potential that someone on the promo committee might go haywire and start writing checks on their own without talking to anyone.

Barnes-If the expenditures are done in advance. The problem is the expenditures for the promotions committee are not necessarily approved in advance. They make expenditures and we do reimbursement-that is occurring.

The only change made in this section that is substantive-there have been some grammar changes to make it easier to read - was having it where expenditures didn't have to come before the

council-it follows the process of other departments of the city - all expenditures of the city come before me. That is the only change of any substance that is being made in that section. The rest of the changes you see are purely grammatical to try and get the ease of flow.

Wernicke-One of the main reasons we went at this was to make it simpler and more efficient. The same with one of the other provisions dealing with the community promotion and advertisement. The definition of that was changed because, as it read, you virtually couldn't do anything but place ads. It basically stalled any other use of funds for virtually any kind of activity other than ads. Any kind of media-newspaper, TV, etc. That was it. That was another concern the council had. That was changed to be a little simpler too and to give them a little more leverage. There were some typos in the original, if anyone has those marked we could go ahead and take care of those now. Page 15, top of item C-the word "and" needs to be put back in.

Barnes-Will meet with management of Jot's on March 16th and go through what their concerns are and also note the concern that Brand has raised tonight in trying to reword that section. I do know from email exchanges with the director of promotions that what you have pointed out in terms of personal liability is a concern to at least one member of the promotion committee.

A council meeting was set for March 17th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the proposed ordinance. Anything else that is left over from tonight could also be included.

ORDINANCE 634 - AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REVISED GOLD BEACH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LAND USE CODE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 327 AND ANY OTHER ORDINANCES THAT MAY BE IN CONFLICT (E)

DISCUSSION

The planning commission recommends repealing Ordinance 327 and adopting Ordinance 634. They have been working on this for several years.

Fritts-City Planner-Oregon Land Use Laws change just about yearly. We have been working on housekeeping revisions to the zoning ordinance. At that time we generally do our own reviews, housekeeping and updates. Fritts gave an update on the different members that have worked on this since 1999. Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) made some recommendations for changes and/or additions. The

planning commission incorporated some of their changes but not all.

Adopting this ordinance does not mean that amendments can't be made to the ordinance in the future. The older members of the planning commission feel this has been worked on long enough and they recommend adopting the ordinance.

Brennan-One of the reasons I ran for council was because I saw a sign advertising a pawnshop and I was told that a pawnshop is allowed in a commercial zone. Also there was no zoning against having an adult bookstore, a strip club, having any of those type of establishments like they have in Coos Bay right across from the elementary school. I think that is horribly wrong and I would like to see some kind of language in the ordinance that would either totally eliminate those type of businesses or if nothing else, if not an outright use, a conditional use permit, within like 5,000 feet of a school, which would basically put it outside the city limits regardless of what zone they are in.

I believe that Turtle Rock, as hard as they are working towards building up their tourist activity, would be pretty upset if someone opened up a strip club in Hunter Creek.

I think now is the time to add that language in the ordinance, correct?

Fritts-You are the legislative body. You don't have to send it back to planning to make changes or additions. You can say you like what the planning commission has done but you want to add..... Fritts will double check that we would be within our authority to zone against these type of establishments.

Brand-Some cities have a provision that you can't sell liquor within 500 feet of a school.

Brennan-Page 94, Section 6.041 (a) there is protection for existing businesses but it does give the city the right to place additional conditions on a proposed use. We don't have restrictions on the distance of a bar or liquor sale from the school but it doesn't mean we can't establish a distance.

Further discussion and explanations ensued regarding the proposed changes.

Kaufman-Another problem we encountered was when the city annexed some properties, the annexation kept the county zoning because the affected property owners were totally against changing the zoning. I believe 2R and R2 were the two that created the most conflict. A lot of time was spent making sure they were close enough that most of the people wouldn't complain if we did convert the zoning. The planning commission went through this line-by-line. My question to the council is how do you want to proceed with this-line by line, read it at home, approve it as it is, or come up with a list of questions?

Fritts-The current ordinance I am working under is a 1994 ordinance and that was just the latest revision. Our current zoning ordinance is pretty archaic-it is from the 80's. It would be nice if we could implement some of these more up to date things. It will still need to be reviewed by legal to make sure everything is kosher.

The council stated they had thoroughly read through the proposed ordinance. This was scheduled for a first reading at the next regular meeting on April 12, 2010.

AUDIENCE-BRENT THOMPSON 29509 Crook Street-Gold Beach - new appointee to the planning commission. I feel there is such a strong sentiment for landscaping that I made some draft notes regarding various zones. (F) One thing that keeps coming up is landscaping requirements for new developments. Maybe some way of encouraging landscaping throughout the town.

Thompson mentioned irrigation for new trees, certain types of trees and sizes, what percentage of landscaping would be required for commercial and multi family zones etc. Thompson suggested having a public hearing regarding this.

Parking-the issue with parking is you don't generate any revenue from it. I looked at the land development ordinance. It had one space for 100 square feet of office-I think that is in excess of what is practical. I ask you to look at that. Another thing is if someone builds a small dwelling unit 500 square feet or less, the probability of them needing two parking places are not that high. Currently, 2 parking spaces are required for anything that is built in town. There is a table within the land development ordinance that deals with that. I feel a space for every 350 square feet would be adequate. I think what we want as a goal is parking for normal needs, we don't want parking for the maximum. We're

looking at 1 space for 100 square feet. I think that point would benefit from a public hearing. Set back requirements also need to be revised. Parking should be at the rear of the lot, not in the front. Thompson also addressed some of his other suggestions that were listed on the hand out sheet (F).

A brief discussion followed.

Kaufman-Landscaping has been discussed extensively over the years. Several different committees have been formed over the years. The problem was no agreement on exactly what to implement was ever reached. There were a lot of good suggestions. Kaufman recommended getting enough community support before we go forward.

Parking-The only thing we changed was medical facilities because doctors tend to schedule all their patients at the same time. At certain times of the week they are absolutely busting at the seams.

Set back requirements-there are some pretty good arguments there. We didn't change any of the setback requirements.

RESOLUTION R0910-20 - A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVIEW AND PROMOTIONAL EXPENDITURE COMMITTEE (G)

Kaufman stated he had a potential or actual conflict of interest and recused herself from any discussion regarding this resolution.

MOTION: Crook moved to approve Resolution R0910-20, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVIEW AND PROMOTIONAL EXPENDITURE COMMITTEE, second by Brand. Councilors Crook, Brennan and Brand voted "AYE". Kaufman Abstained. VOTE 3 AYES 1 ABSTAIN

RESOLUTION R0910-22 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTRACT FOR A WETLAND DELINEATION STUDY AS PART OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (H)

Barnes-The origin of the wetland project was the "Sponsorship Option" from the DEQ State Revolving Fund. Under this program, the city planned to borrow money from the SRF for a Wastewater Treatment Improvement Project. By also agreeing to complete another non-related water quality improvement project, the city was eligible to receive a lower interest rate on the entire loan package. We have planned a "wetland

project" between the existing sewer plant and the high school. It will be restored to the wetland conditions. A wetland delineation study is required in order to apply for, and receive grant support for the restoration project.

The wetlands project serves as a means of maximizing our USDA grant funding for the wastewater treatment facilities improvement project. If the city eliminates the wetlands portion from the budget of the overall wastewater treatment facilities improvement project, there is a significant chance that USDA will reduce the amount of the grant funding it has committed to the project.

MOTION: Brennan moved to approve Resolution R0910-22, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTRACT FOR A WETLAND DELINEATION STUDY AS PART OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, second by Crook. Crook, Brennan, Brand and Kaufman voted "AYE". VOTE 4 AYES

RESOLUTION R0910-23 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO CIS FOR TECHNOLOGY FOR POLICE OPERATIONS (I)

Barnes-CityCounty Insurance Services (CIS) provides grant funding to municipalities for projects, programs, and equipment that reduce liability risk. The city has accessed these funds in the past. Police Chief Janik requests to use \$1,761 of these funds to purchase personal digital video recorders for each police officer and a one-year subscription to the Lexipol daily training bulletins (DTB) program.

Each officer while on duty will wear the very small digital video recorder. These recorders will document events that occur during calls for service. Each recording will be date and time stamped.

Lexipol daily training bulletins (DTB) is an online training system that is integrated with the city's police manual. The DTB system provides scenario based training designed to teach and reinforce best practices in law enforcement based on the city's specific policies. Each day, each officer will log onto the Lexipol training system to complete a six-minute exercise with a brief scenario illustrating real world, practical application of a specific city policy. The training can be applied toward DPSST training requirements.

Chief Janik-Gave a report on the versatility and cost of this video camera compared to a vehicle mounted video. CCIS was

very impressed with it when I showed it to them. It wouldn't surprise me that as a result of this introduction, CCIS may be promoting this to other law enforcement agencies as a risk management tool. An in car camera system runs about \$5,000 and there are limitations with an in-car system. This camera goes with the officer. It captures and records everything the officer sees in addition to full audio. It is a fantastic piece of equipment.

There is good and bad regarding the DTB's. The good is it will wrap up the officer's knowledge of policies and procedures-both on a federal and state level and on an Oregon Police Accreditation Level. Next to having an accredited police agency, probably the best thing you could have is have officers thoroughly knowledgeable about the policies and procedures of the organization. That is the good.

The bad part is I'm going to be spending a lot of time getting our orders ready to submit and approved by Lexipol by July 1, which is when I would like to start the subscription of the daily training bulletins. There are close to 136 chapters that I have to take care of completing. That gives you an idea of how comprehensive these policies are.

MOTION: Kaufman moved to approve Resolution R0910-23, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO CIS FOR TECHNOLOGY FOR POLICY OPERATIONS, amending the \$1,761 to "up to \$2,500", second by Brand. Crook, Brennan, Brand and Kaufman voted "AYE". VOTE 4 AYES

RESOLUTION R0910-24 - A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ROD BLACK AS CITY OF GOLD BEACH MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 (J)

Barnes-Chapter V, Section 21 of the City of Gold Beach City Charter grants the Gold Beach City Council the authority to appoint a municipal judge and specify the term and salary for the appointment.

Mr. Black was sworn in as Municipal Judge on April 9, 2007. He is compensated at \$20 per hour with a total of \$1,500 budgeted for the judge's salary for 2009-10.

The newly adopted Municipal Ordinance requires that a judge is to be appointed to a one-year term and the salary is to be set by the council.

MOTION: Kaufman moved to approve Resolution R0910-24, A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ROD BLACK AS CITY OF GOLD BEACH MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010, second by Crook. Crook, Brennan, Brand and Kaufman voted "AYE". VOTE 4 AYES

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS (including policy discussions and determinations):

Discussion about forming an ad-hoc Parks and Recreation Tax District Citizen Advisory Committee

Wernicke stated this was brought up at the Town Hall meeting on 2/25/10 to investigate the possibility of forming a Parks and Recreation District that would include a boundary considerably larger than just the city limits to fund and manage some recreational facilities in the area for residents of the city as well as residents just outside the city. I would anticipate a committee should have at least four-possibly five people. Mr. Jeff Davis, Superintendent of Public Schools has volunteered to chair the committee. I think it would be a great idea to get started on this as quickly as possible.

I have a couple of other people in mind for the committee that indicated they would serve on it as well. If it is something that looks like it will work, then it would go to a vote of the people within whatever the District's boundaries are to form the District and to fund it. They can say "AYE" or "NAY". If it were to pass, the city council would have no more to do with it. It would be a new District that would handle the parks and recreation aspects of this community as well as the outlying areas. You might even want to have Buffington Park managed by that agency should that turn out to be the case.

Wernicke will try and get a committee together for that purpose. Once they come up with some answers and estimates, we'll have them make a presentation to the city council. If this works it may be a very big thing for the community.

Discussion about forming an ad-hoc Urban Renewal Citizen Advisory Committee

Wernicke stated Urban Renewal Districts are all over the state and have been very successful. Look at Brookings-Urban Renewal Funds that really made the improvements down Main Street. Now they're moving over a street. They've done a

number of things with Urban Renewal Funds. Bandon has been changed by Urban Renewal Funds. Waldport has two Urban Renewal Districts. They have made tremendous changes in that community.

Urban Renewal Funds don't increase anyone's property taxes. They work on a situation where the normal increase in property values goes to the city instead of going to the county and being divided up. I have given an Urban Renewal Packet 101 to all the councilors for review.

A Citizen's Advisory Committee should be formed to help get this District "off the ground". We may have to hire someone to do a lot of the work. You have to draw boundaries, you have to estimate the amount of property that is in the District, you have to go between undeveloped lands and land that is somewhat developed. It is kind of a complicated process. The council has a lot going on right now. That is why I think we need to form a Citizen's Advisory Committee. The council just isn't going to have the time to focus on it like we should. Maybe have a council liaison. I think Larry (Brennan) would be a good choice because he's been working on Urban Renewal things and has talked to a lot of people that are involved in Urban Renewal. Our city administrator is familiar with Urban Renewal.

Crook-Agreed with Wernicke. It shows we can get things done but we need help.

Brand-Agreed with Wernicke. I think it would also help us and the citizens is to have a time line set up for this. What it takes from the initial onset of the committee through all of the procedures. If it takes a week, a month, in order to get this done so the public knows how long. It is not us sitting and looking at it-this is how long it takes.

Wernicke-Once the committee gets formed and gets to looking into it they can come up with a recommended time line. Initially, the only time line we would want is their first report back to us. I'll go ahead and start trying to get some people on these committees and get the ball rolling on the Parks and Recreation District and Urban Renewal District.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: (K)

Barnes-Gave a very thorough comprehensive report to the council regarding events in the city departments. The following is a recap.

Police-Sue McAllister, a Navy veteran is being trained for a new Community Services Officer (CSO) position. Chief Janik received his Oregon Department of Public Safety Executive Management Certificate.

Promotion/Visitor's Center-Extended Glass Ball promotion for another two months. There is a new "open" sign at the Visitor Center-thanks to Tony Antunes from the Port Hole Café.

Emergency Management-A tsunami alert was issued for this county on Saturday 2/27/10. The Sheriff called Chief Janik and Administrator Barnes at 7:00 a.m. This worked out very well for some emergency training of our fire, police and public works departments. It was helpful to have several of us here to field questions in response to phone calls we received. A de-briefing meeting will be held to discuss what could have been done better, what we need to strengthen, etc.

We are continuing the ongoing pre-mitigation and post-recovery planning meetings with the county and other stakeholders.

The front office staff is completing FEMA ICS training.

Planning-An appeal of remand from LUBA regarding Emerald Pacific Subdivision. City is in a "wait" mode until a decision has been made regarding the appeal. (This is in regards to a sign)

Public Works-Eden Peck is our new utility worker. He comes to the city with a vast amount of experience. The final award package from USDA is expected in late March.
WWTP: The final Value Engineer study is expected next week. The time line for the WWTP is-APRIL-DEQ Approval: MAY-Advertise bids: JUNE-Open Bids: JULY/AUGUST-Begin construction.

OPS Building: Staff has moved into the new building that is complete except for punch list items. The old building has been torn down and excavation & foundation for new lab building is in progress. April is the completion date. Liquidated damages & change orders continue to be a problem.

Administration & Finance: Committee Appointments-Council-four applications from the previous round-no new ones: Planning-No applications received: Budget-one application received but the applicant is not eligible-not a city resident.

Wernicke suggested continue the advertising and give it two more weeks for filling the vacant positions. This will be placed on the 3/22/10 agenda.

BARNES-(Continuation of report) Due to timing issues, in the future, the financial updates will be presented to council on the second meeting (4th Monday) of the month. The expenditures and revenues are on track. (L)

Town Hall - a "virtual town hall" will be put on the web site to try and continue the discussions. We are trying to set up a means by which discussions can be continued in an electronic format. If an individual can't make it to the meetings, they can communicate electronically.

New Technology-Sterling Bank-Check scanners-it scans the funds and immediately deposits the funds to our account. It will reduce our "per check" processing fee a bit. No charge for the equipment. Sterling will set it up and train the staff. Electronic payroll deposit is being considered. We are considering taking debit and credit cards for payment. This will take a little more analysis in costing out the benefit to the city to determine if there is an advantage to the city to go in that direction.

Brand-Regarding the Town Hall meeting-asked if it would be possible to make a separation of things that require council action and things that don't. (Barnes will check into it and report back)

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

MAYOR - JAMES WERNICKE:

Prescription Drug Turn In Event-Saturday, March 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is a free drop off (courthouse) collection service for any unwanted and expired medications. More details are posted on the board in the lobby.

Animal Shelter-Katherine Powers said you can "buy a tile" and get your name on it and that money will be used for the animal shelter. Everyone in the community is aware of the wonderful job she has done at the Animal Shelter.

COUNCILORS:

Jeff Crook-Thanked those that were in attendance at the Town Hall meeting. It was a great start and we are following up on it. Community supported agriculture was mentioned. It's a

co-op. You buy shares, which in the end gives you vegetables. I'm working on getting that going. I do have some properties in mind that would be a good spot for this sort of thing. Anyone that is interested, please email me at the address listed on the city's web site. Instead of money you can also swap time and energy working on the place. It's going to be a big job.

Larry Brennan-Excited about the Urban Renewal District Committee and the Parks and Recreation District. The sooner we get the Urban Renewal District formed and get the process going the better.

Doug Brand-I talked with a couple of citizens about the Town Hall Meeting we held. They are excited and expectant of us to perform. Time lines are great in order to let them know what it takes for us to do something. If we pick one thing and forecast it out-whatever it takes to get it done.

Tamie Kaufman-The Town Hall meeting reminded me a lot of the original Community Response Team that formed into Gold Beach 2010. I think there is still a program out there that helps communities put those programs together. I think it would be a good idea if the city could look into that and get someone to facilitate an even bigger meeting. Instead of making it a council meeting, make it an Ad Hoc Committee. That way it isn't telling them we're going to do everything, it would be the community helping us. It always works better when they ask us rather than when we tell them. Actually, Gold Beach really encompasses from Arizona Beach all the way down to Pistol River. The city should be a player providing great leadership but we need to also embrace those actually outside the city limits. A lot of people don't want to come to a city function because they are not part of the city. I think it would be a good idea if we took it out of the Town Hall into a Community Response, invite everyone in. I can find out how they got so many people to that meeting-it was pretty well attended. Everyone sat at the table and was ready to go. It was broken up into sub-committees. I think that is the way we will get city beautification done and also Parks and Recreation and Urban Renewal. I think there is grant money available for this.

I attended a budget education put on by the Oregon Department of Revenue with our city administrator. One of the reasons I decided to attend was it was an opportunity to get to know her better and there was a suggestion that there might be some

misappropriation of funds because we were overspending some line items and that might be a problem. It was very clearly pointed out in that workshop that that always happens, you expect that. The budget is a guideline. You can't overspend the fund but you can overspend line items-you just have to under spend other line items. I felt really good that this administrator has done what was supposed to be done with the budget. We did find some errors that need to be cleaned-up and I think she is going to do that this budget cycle. It was a good thing-we are in the right place.

Mackenna Marstall-Student Liaison

Softball, baseball and track have started and everyone is practicing really hard. Spring Break is week after next. The National English Honor System Club leaves for Italy a week from Thursday. 18 students will be going and they wanted to thank everyone that contributed to their fundraisers all year. The new issue of Panther Pages will be out later this week. If you don't see one around town, just come to the high school and pick one up.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

AUDIENCE-Roy Lavender-Resident of Gold Beach

Had some questions regarding Brent Thompson's recommendations to the council. In what capacity was he speaking? (Wernicke said he was a member of the planning commission but was speaking for himself)

I'd like to suggest that in the future when you have a situation like that, make it clear up front whether he is speaking for the council or as an individual. I'm very impressed with what I see here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next regular meeting for the Gold Beach City Council is scheduled for Monday evening, April 12, 2010 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 29592 Ellensburg Avenue at 6:30 P.M. Special Meeting March 17th at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNED at 8:44 p.m.:

The location of the hearing/meeting is accessible to the disabled. Advance notice is requested if special accommodations are needed. Call (541) 247-7029 so that appropriate assistance can be provided. The City of Gold Beach is an affirmative action EEOE and complies with section 504 of the rehab act of 1973. Complaints of Discrimination should be sent to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20250-9419

Passed by the Gold Beach City Council on April 12, 2010.



James H. Wernicke, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shirley Walker, Recorder