



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING TRANSCRIPT**

January 9, 2017, 6:30PM

Regular Meeting

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
29592 ELLENSBURG AVE
GOLD BEACH OR 97444

Call to order: Time: 6:30PM

1. **The pledge of allegiance**
2. **Roll Call:**

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mayor Karl Popoff	X	
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X	
STARTING VOTE		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X	
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X	
Council Position #4 Doug Br and	X	
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X	
City Administrator Jodi Fritts	X	
Student Liaison VACANT		

3. Special Orders of Business:

- a. *Presentation to Mayor of plaque of appreciation from Auckland Fire Department*
- b. **CURRENT COMMITTEE & COMMISSION VACANCIES**
BUDGET: Currently 2 positions of 5 vacant
 - *Probable appointment of Candace Perryman to one vacant position*PLANNING: Currently 2 positions of 5 vacant
URBAN RENEWAL ADVISORY: Currently 3 positions of 4 vacant
- c. *Elect 2017 Mayor Pro Tem*

Mayor Popoff: We've got a bit of an honor here today and this is something that's coming from Brent Lawrence. Approximately I think, what, about a month or so ago? Excuse me. Administrator, that Brent approached us and told us about a fire department in Auckland, New Zealand that commemorates 9/11 and they do it each and every year. It just so happens that he was going back there for a visit, as well as representing the rotary club.

I thought, and the city administrator concurred with me, that it would really be nice if we showed our appreciation to them for that remembrance, given the fact that there are a lot of places within the United States that have already forgotten about it or so it seems. To have them do something like that, we thought was quite special. The city administrator wrote in a nice letter on my behalf and was able to get a Myrtlewood key to the city.

The letter and the key, we gave them to Brent. We didn't frame the key with the letter, simply because of course the travel requirements would have made it a little bit difficult. He presented that to them, showing our appreciation. Lo and behold, totally unexpected, he brought something back. With that, Brent, if you would come on up and go ahead and say a few words if you like and whatever ... In fact, it's whatever you would like to say.

Brent Lawrence: As some of you know, I'm a citizen of the United States. I'm also a citizen of New Zealand. I'm a dual citizen with pride. I love both countries very much and I assume that I have [inaudible 00:02:12] both countries badly but one of the things that was of great honor was to be able to go back to the New Zealand fire fighters who I used to be employed in employment testing and I have a lot of experience with New Zealand fire and police and I was privileged to go back to them and say, "Thank you so much for what you've done for 9/11." Remember, it's every year for 15 years.

When I gave them the key to the city and the plaque, the Myrtlewood plaque, to my surprise, they gave me a plaque from the New Zealand fire fighters that honors Gold Beach and thanking you, Mayor Popoff, for remembering them.

Mayor Popoff: It was my pleasure. It was our pleasure and I accept this and this really, really took me by surprise.

Brent Lawrence: Me too.

Mayor Popoff: I accept it on behalf of the city.

Brent Lawrence: Thank you.

(THE REST OF THIS SECTION SHORTENED--BRIEF DISCUSSION AND PHOTO SESSION)

Mayor Popoff: All right, now we've got the current committee and commission vacancies. On the budget, this is a real delight because I've known this lady for 20 some years. The fact is, when I started out on the planning commission way back in the '90s, she was the one that was in charge of it. She now only was in charge of it, she's the one the I learned from. Much of what I did learn from planning I learned just listening to this lady here. She has been devoted to this city, school district, you name it, for such a long time that, for me, it is an honor, an absolute honor, to have Candace Perryman want to be on our budget committee.

As far as I'm concerned, that's a done deal but we do need to take a vote, generally speaking on those and as far as appointments are concerned. Well, actually no. We don't need it on these appointments, I don't believe. At any rate ...

Administrator: I took the liberty of preparing a resolution because that shows all the appointment.

Mayor Popoff: That's right. You did. In this particular case ...

Administrator: Councilor Kaufman, did you want to say just real quickly how you know Candy?

Councilor Kaufman: I've known Candy since I was 17 years old and when I'm going to ... She was a chaperone for our little Paris trip.

Administrator: She probably didn't need to say that, right?

Kaufman: [crosstalk 00:12:42] taught me more about policy and procedure and really sticking to what's written and following your documents and just one of the coolest people. I tried to get her back on the planning commission like 40,000 times. Yeah, that's not true. I'm really excited. I'd love to make a motion that we appoint Candy's [inaudible 00:13:05].

MOTION: Councilor Tamie Kaufman made the motion to appoint Candace Perryman to the Budget Committee. Councilor Doug Brand seconded the motion.

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X		
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	5	0	

Mayor Popoff: Welcome, and thank you once again so very much for stepping up to the plate, Candy. Personally, I appreciate that a great deal.

Administrator: Did you want to say anything, Candy?

Mayor Popoff: If you do want to, we'd love that. You can say anything you want.

Candy Perryman: Yeah. Just Candy. In case you had any questions because I thought there might be a few people that didn't know me but I'm looking forward to helping out again.

Administrator: Well, I'm thrilled to have you back. Thank you.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah.

Administrator: Candy was always, like Tamie said, we can always rely on her to keep the meetings in order and we've had some pretty hairy planning commission meetings in the past and Candy's been really good at keeping the order, which was good. It'll be nice to have you back on board. Thank you.

Mayor Popoff: Thank you. All right, we still have, however, some vacancies. Of course, it was written. It is sort of like preaching to the choir out here because you all know about them but nevertheless. Hoping that the paper and I know that Lorraine is there, listening ever so intently with her trusty pen ever at the ready, but we do need people on the planning commission. We do need people on urban renewal. We still have three vacancies there, I believe. We still have a vacancy on the budget committee. I think one, isn't it? Is it now?

Administrator: It'll be one now.

Mayor Popoff: Then we still have two vacancies on planning, I think.

Administrator: Yeah.

Mayor Popoff: At any rate, I'm making a plea that any interested citizen, if they would come forward, we would sure appreciate their efforts and their help in all of this.

Administrator: This doesn't help our [corns 00:15:17] any but I believe that the young man we were talking about the last meeting for the student liaison, a kid stopped by today to get an application and Kim talked to him. I think that was the kid.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. It was.

Administrator: Hopefully, by next meeting, we'll have a student liaison.

Mayor Popoff: It's a little late in the year for it of course but nevertheless it's still good to have him here.

Administrator: Yeah.

Mayor Popoff: He's a fine young man. I didn't talk to him last night. I had my wife talk to him because my son was over there at [crosstalk 00:15:57].

Administrator: It probably was him because he came in today.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. I told him to come in and get the application then also make sure that he went through his school to get their recommendation as well. Between the two, hopefully next month we may have somebody on here. In particular, this young man. Okay, good. With that out of the way ...

Administrator: Again, you're free to hang out but you're ... You know how the meetings go. You're welcome to stay, though.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. We added the consent calendar ...

Administrator: Mayor.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, thank you. I should have my glasses on through the ... We have the 2017 Mayor Pro-Term appointment and in the past it has been, at least for the past four years at annual, has been Tamie Kaufman. Councilor Kaufman. The floor is open right now to make recommendations. Councilor Brennan?

Councilor Brennan: We don't have sign language here.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor, yeah. Councilor?

Brennan: I was going to nominate Councilor Campbell.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor who?

Brennan: Campbell.

Mayor Popoff: Oh. There's someone to be ... Okay, so we have Councilor Campbell. Is there any other further nominations?

Administrator: Do we need a second? Wait, that's a nomination. Okay, sorry.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, this is just the nomination. We haven't even done anything yet. It's fine.

Councilor McVey: Isn't Ms. Kaufman already nominated?

Administrator: She's our current. Well, was the one for 2016 so you need to appoint a new one. Larry has ...

McVey: Ms. Kaufman, are you interested?

Kaufman: Becky said I am.

Kaufman: [crosstalk 00:18:03] I think it's fun to have two.

Kaufman: I don't mind. If she wants to, she can have it. The thing is Mayor Popoff never misses a meeting.

Kaufman: That is true.

Mayor Popoff: I haven't, quite frankly, missed one for going on 13 years. Yeah.

Male: [crosstalk 00:18:20] in four years.

Kaufman: In that case, I'd love to do it. That's what I [crosstalk 00:18:29] there, Mrs. Campbell.

Mayor Popoff: All right. Councilor Campbell has been nominated. Are there any further nominations? Can I have a motion, please?

Administrator: Make that motion?

MOTION: Councilor Larry Brennan made the motion to appoint Councilor Becky Campbell Mayor Pro-Tem for 2017. Councilor Melinda McVey seconded the motion.

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell			X
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	4	0	1

Mayor Popoff: We do have a new Mayor Pro-Tem, and thank you for bringing that. I better get my glasses back.

Administrator: Now probably next month something will happen to Karl and he'll have to be out of town and ...

Mayor Popoff: Actually, it's amazing. Going on four terms now. I've never missed a meeting. I think I've been fortunate being healthy at all the times that they've been going on but I've taken that in a way as kind of a source of pride. I figured [crosstalk 00:19:46].

Administrator: I appreciate that, yeah, because there's been certain elected officials at the county that aren't always present and you take your job seriously and you're here for every meeting.

Mayor Popoff: Well, I certainly try to. I try to. Welcome as the Mayor Pro-Tem.

Administrator: What Councilor Kaufman didn't tell you is she does actually get to sign checks occasionally so that's your ... When we can't find Mr. Mayor and Councilor

Brennan is our third person but the Mayor Pro-Tem is usually the second one so occasionally you'll get a call from Margaret to come sign checks.

4. Consent Calendar:

MINUTES – December 2016 regular meeting

Mayor Popoff: All right, we have the consent calendar and these are the minutes from the December 2016 regular meeting. Does anybody have any question concerning of ...

Administrator: I do have a bunch of back minutes for you guys. I just have to insert our local stuff so they are there. I just need to get them to you.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, sir.

Councilor Brand: Are these on the new deal?

Administrator: Yep. Yeah, and the editing that I have to do is just to insert because, and I don't have to but just because they're for posterity, I answered our agenda and then, occasionally, there's names that are wrong and stuff like that so I go through them.

Mayor Popoff: This, quite frankly, is the best I've ever seen. It honestly is. Okay. We don't have any so can we have a motion to accept the consent calendar, please?

MOTION: Councilor Becky Campbell made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilor Melinda McVey seconded the motion.

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X		
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	5	0	

5. Citizens Comments

As presented to the Mayor at the beginning of the meeting

6. Public Hearing

a. *Ordinance No. 663-an ordinance governing the use of public ROW by utility and communications providers*

Mayor Popoff: Motion passed [crosstalk 00:22:15]. All right. Well, no one has brought up anything for me to see as to whether or not that they would like to address the

council but I will give anybody a chance right now. If you do have something that you'd like to address the council with, that would be fine. We will go on to the public hearing and this is a public hearing on ordinance number 663. This is an ordinance governing the use of public ROW which is right away by utility and communication providers. We're going to go into this at 6:55 pm.

Administrator: Just as a quick reminder. I know it's been a while. This has not been a high priority project because we've had some other things in the past 12 months we were working on, but we have had two executive session meetings with our other attorney, Christy Monson, on ... A draft of that ordinance was given to you I want to say in February or March to look at initially when we had talked to her on the phone then on very few changes that we made.

There was just a couple of things that public works superintendent will wanted ... not necessarily add it but just changed what we ... They called it a construction permit. We call it facility permits so it's just that but pretty much this is the document that you saw then. We won't be voting on it tonight. If you have any questions that I am not able to answer tonight and you think that need Ms. Monson, we can have her on the phone again in February. If you have any questions, throw them out there and then obviously, yes, it's a public hearing so if anyone's here to comment on it.

Mayor Popoff: Council, I'm going to let you go first.

Kaufman: I have a question on page 9 of 23, section 21.

Mayor Popoff: Could you give that reference again please?

Kaufman: Page 9 of 23, section 21. It's talking about [inaudible 00:24:37] and it says, "These plans shall be submitted to the city engineer or [inaudible 00:24:40] within 60 days after completion of construction in a format acceptable to the city." I like that as a city person. That we only want it the way we want it, but if I were a private person and maybe you want it done in green instead of blue and it might get expensive for the person doing it so is that fair?"

Administrator: Format I think has to do, "Do we want it digitally or on paper?" That's what that means. Nowadays, pretty much everything we want digital.

Kaufman: Okay, so we're not talking getting out there with [inaudible 00:25:13] requirements are?

Administrator: No. We pretty much have that requirement for anything. Waterlines, street improvements, whatever the as built plans are we want a copy of it electronically. A PDF of it, basically.

Kaufman: All right, and page 11, section 26. When I read this section, it says basically we can tell anybody in 30 days they have to change their cut, overhead to underground, but I'm not sure that that's what it says. That's how I read it. I think that's a really short window for a multi-million dollar project.

Mayor Popoff: I see. On C. I see what you're getting at. I don't know if that's what was intended, though [inaudible 00:26:20].

Administrator: I think what this has to do is that, if we need to do work in our right of way on, obviously we get dibs so if somebody has facilities located there, they ... It does need to be a short window and I don't know that that means undergrounding because that's why it's saying move, relocate, change, alter, or underground. It has to do with, if we need to do work, they can't say, "Well, we'll get to that in two or three months."

Kaufman: It doesn't say that, though.

Administrator: That's the purpose of it.

Kaufman: It just says relocation of the whole facility. It doesn't say this is [inaudible 00:26:58]. It doesn't say that the city has to have a public safety issue. It just says, "We just tell them to move it and they have to move it," which I know a lot of people will love that but I don't know that the [rate players 00:27:11] can afford it. If we told [two story 00:27:14] they had to underground all their things in 30 days, we weren't even told it's a multi-million dollar project.

Administrator: No, this has to do with you have to have a permit to use our right of way. If we decide we need to use our right of way, we have the right to tell them to move their stuff. This doesn't have anything to do ... This ordinance has to do with somebody wanting to use our right of way so ...

Kaufman: Right, and they are ... and I believe these people are [inaudible 00:27:41].

Administrator: Only if it's a new ... If they came in for a new permit. I can ask that question but no. The intent of it is not to go around and tell people they need to move things. This is, "We have the right to use our right of way first," so we will give them 30 days written notice but they need to move it if we need to use the right of way. I don't think the intent of this ordinance is to arbitrarily tell people they need to move things but if we have to put that somewhere we can, but that's certainly not my intent.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor Campbell?

Campbell: I answered my question, sir. Thank you.

Mayor Popoff: All right. Councilor.

Kaufman: Okay. There's a couple of places I marked but their use of the term city manager. I don't know. I think we need to change that [crosstalk 00:28:35]. I think they could probably [inaudible 00:28:35].

Administrator: Yeah, we can just do a search on it.

Kaufman: I found it in two places.

Brand: Mayor?

Mayor Popoff: Yes, sir.

Brand: We were from memory recall we're talking about going to fiber at 7%. Was there anything rectified on that? I didn't see it. I probably missed it.

Administrator: For a franchise fee?

Brand: Yes.

Administrator: Okay, that's separate from this.

Brand: Okay.

Administrator: For depending on what provider is, what provider it is, there are statutory limitations. For cable television, it's 5%. Other providers, we can go up to 7%, but for cable television that's something that's statutorily we can't charge more than 5%.

Brand: Okay. I'm confusing it.

Administrator: We had one a couple of years ago for a communications provider that wasn't internet and we were able to negotiate a 7% on. That was the LS Networks.

Brand: Yeah, the LS. Okay.

Administrator: I think councilor ...

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: On the page 22, section 64. Application of the [inaudible 00:30:05].

Kaufman: Can you repeat that?

Kaufman: Section 64, second to the last page.

Administrator: 22 of 23.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am. Go ahead.

Kaufman: I'm just not sure that I understand what this means. To the extent that this ordinance is not in conflict with and can't be [inaudible 00:30:31] consistent with existing ordinances and existing franchise agreements. This ordinance shall [inaudible 00:30:37] existing ordinances and existing franchising agreements governing the use of public right of way for communication services in the event of a conflict between this ordinance and the terms of [inaudible 00:30:50] franchise agreement adopted after the effective date of this ordinance the terms of this ordinance shall prevail.

Administrator: What that is and that was one that Ms. Monson did talk to me specifically about, there is a provision earlier in here that a franchise agreement can supersede the requirements of this ordinance for certain conditions and what this is saying is that, if we have an existing franchise agreement like on, for example, Coos-Curry, we just re-upped our franchise agreement with them not last year but the year before so the stuff that's in here may or may not apply to them. It would depend on what the specifics of their current franchise agreement is.

Now when there's comes up again, which is in about 10 years, then provided that this ordinance is still in place, whatever is in here would then be incorporated into the franchise agreement unless we were to negotiate different terms.

Basically, this section, and I'm speaking because she told me this one specifically, it just gives us latitude to make changes if we want to. An ordinance is law and so this gives us kind of wiggle room if we want to have changes within the franchise agreement.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: I just noticed something. It says communications very specifically so it doesn't apply to Coos-Curry. Coos-Curry is power. Did you hear me [inaudible 00:32:31]?

Mayor Popoff: I needed what? No, you're right.

Administrator: I think the intent was that it was supposed to point out because if you look up above it, it says to the extent this ordinance is not in conflict with and can be

implementing consistent with existing franchise agreements, but then, down below, it specifically says communication services because ... Now, you can make it where it just applies to communications and not that.

Kaufman: Well, the title says by utility and communication.

Administrator: Yes.

Kaufman: Okay, so it will apply to all.

Administrator: But you're right that there it's saying and existing franchise agreements governing the use of communication services so that ... Pardon?

Kaufman: She may want to update that, but attorney can argue on the other side. If it only says communication, I'm not a communications provider.

Administrator: Right, yes.

Kaufman: Therefore, it doesn't apply to me. That wasn't their intent. Well, how do we know when ... [inaudible 00:33:26].

Mayor Popoff: Do a little following up.

Administrator: It's just there's different franchise agreements and, initially, when we had initially discussed this right of way ordinance, it was only going to be on communication.

Mayor Popoff: Right.

Administrator: But after talking with Will and the attorney, we decided to incorporate that any utility provider because things have changed so much that we don't have just communications anymore. There's satellite providers, there's internet providers. It's not just cable anymore. In fact, it's actually less cable but I will ask that. Do we want to leave that one word in there or just take it out and just say franchise agreements governing the use of the public right of way, period.

Mayor Popoff: Okay.

Administrator: Okay, so any other questions or suggested changes and I will discuss these with Ms. Monson before the February meeting.

Mayor Popoff: Council, do you have anything?

Kaufman: No. She's going to speak to our counsel.

Mayor Popoff: Okay. Then we can go ahead and look at this in February. Now, council, does anyone else have anything that they would like to add to this right now? Councilor Kaufman, thank you for your suggestions. As this is a public meeting, members of the public are of course cordially invited to be able to speak toward this. I know, once again, I'm probably preaching to the choir but, nevertheless, if anyone here does want to speak on this then it is open. If not, then unless there is something more from your council or the administrator, we're going to go ahead and close this public meeting at 7:08 pm.

Administrator: Okay.

Mayor Popoff: Thank you. Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: May I ask one more question on this subject?

Mayor Popoff: Certainly. Go ahead.

Kaufman: [inaudible 00:35:47]. I think that when somebody cuts into a road that there should be a fee for a replacement road down the road because every time you got the road, the pavement, it weakens it. The city is just as bad at doing it as anybody else is, so would this be the time and place to add that we may have a cut fee? If you cut into our road, there may be a fee that goes along with it?

Mayor Popoff: You know, personally, I would think that we might want to look at that separately right now because, as you brought up, we've already and perhaps ... Obviously, well, we may have to change that but we've already coupled utility with communications here and we wanted to make this strictly communications, from my understanding, pretty much. If we coupled something else, take out one and then couple something else back into it or add something back to it, I don't know. Council, what do you think?

Campbell: I kind of agree with what you're saying, Mayor.

Administrator: Tell you what, and it's not that I disagree with you, it's just that's not the standard practice of road cuts. There's a useful life of the pavement, there's a standard engineering practice of how you have to return it once it's completed, and, sure, I would love for, when people cut into our roads to have them re-pave it, but then the cost of the pavement oftentimes would be more than whatever the cost of the improvement is. That's how expensive it is.

It's not that I don't agree with you. I mean, yeah, that would be awesome if we can have them re-pave our road but that's ... I think we, and I could be wrong on this one and I will ask other cities how they do it but I think that could be ... I

don't want to call it a takings but it would be similar to that, where they're saying that, "Okay, you're not allowing me to do something because you want something more than what's already there." Let me ask because it will come up again at budget time. I know it always does. Let me ask other cities how, when there's road cuts, how do they handle it. What are their requirements when somebody cuts into their road? Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am. I'm sorry.

McVey: After listening to the administrator, I have the feeling that this may open a can of worms. People are going to come back to us from how long we don't know and say, "Well, how come he ... You know, I need to cut in and it's not their need." I just think that we probably should leave that dog lying still. I can just see it snowballing down the road. Well, how come ... He didn't get charged and I did. She didn't get charged and I did. You know, going into retroactive.

Mayor Popoff: We've unfortunately been through that. Yeah. Some years ago, we have been through that and that was with the ... It had to do with water, by the way. Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: If I may clarify, what happens, and even the city does it with water and sewer budgets. As soon as you cut into that road and you put it back with a patch, it doesn't last as long as the original pavement. I'm not suggesting that you re-pave the entire road. I'm suggesting that you pay a fee that would go to reserve funds to re-pave the roads. Our roads are getting dilapidated. We're going to have to start replacing them. The ones with these little trips in it are going to be replaced sooner than most of the ones that don't have cuts.

Now, we are charging this as development charge. If you want to build a house today, you have to pay the 2,500 dollars towards street repairs. Yes, you do. If that's fair, then why isn't it fair when something damages the road, that they put something? I don't know what number would be fair. Something towards replacing that street in the future.

Kaufman: I understand.

Kaufman: Does that make sense?

Administrator: Yep.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, it makes sense. It makes perfect sense and I think the administrator who will check into this as far as ... Did you say looking into other cities, see what they are doing. Yeah, then we can get back on this. No, it's not a bad suggestion. Yes, sir.

Brand: You said earlier, a couple of minutes ago, about keeping communications and utilities separate. The heading of the ordinance is communications and utilities.

Mayor Popoff: I know it. That's the heading of the ordinance.

Brand: Right. There's no way to keep it separate as long as the heading of the ordinance says ...

Mayor Popoff: As long as that remains the same it is and so what ... That is a good ... What are we going to do with this? As far as ...

Administrator: Well, that's ...

Mayor Popoff: I thought that you mentioned something about separating the two.

Administrator: No. That's what I was just explaining, that originally, when we had talked about this, it was just for communications. After talking with the attorney and with the public works director, communications people aren't the only people that use our right of way. In fact, a lot of other people use our right of way besides just communications. If we're going to come up with a right of way use ordinance, it should apply across the board.

The other flip side too is we don't have to adopt a right of way use ordinance. That was one of the things that we talked about with the attorney. Is this something that we want to do? We can say we don't want to but, if we're going to adopt a right of way use ordinance and say these are what you have to do if you're going to use our right of way, then it needs to apply to everybody that uses our right of way, not just communications because I would say exactly what Councilor McVey just said.

If I were Charter, I would say, "Well, how come this right of way applies to me but it doesn't apply to Frontier and it doesn't apply to Coos-Curry Electric and it doesn't apply to whoever else uses our right of way?" That's not really fair. A, you don't necessarily have to adopt a right of way ordinance. This was something we talked about with the attorney last year. B, if we're going to do one, we need to make it across the board. Everybody that uses our right of way needs to follow this ordinance.

Mayor Popoff: Then we're still going to have to change the name of it, though.

Administrator: No, it says utility and communication.

Mayor Popoff: Utility is in but then what if they aren't utility or communication? I mean, I can't think of anything right now but somebody that wants to use our right of way and were not even a part of either one of those. Is that possible?

Administrator: I can ask the public works superintendent with can we feature anybody besides utility and communications that would use our right of way.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. I'm just kind of curious. I can't think of anybody.

Kaufman: Maybe a private person?

Mayor Popoff: A private person might.

Administrator: Actually, that's true.

Kaufman: Maybe I need to use the street in order to get to my house.

Mayor Popoff: In short, what we have ...

Administrator: Maybe we should change it to say right of way.

Mayor Popoff: Just right of way, yeah.

Administrator: Okay.

Mayor Popoff: Just put in right of way and get rid of the restriction.

Administrator: Okay.

Mayor Popoff: I think that would probably [inaudible 00:42:59]. All right, any further discussion on that? Okay, the administrator has her marching orders and we'll hear more about that next month. Okay, moving right along. We got ... Chris, we've already done that resolution R1617-07 budget committee appointment. We made that appointment.

- 7. Citizen Requested Agenda Items**
NONE SCHEDULED
- 8. Public Contracts and Purchasing**
NONE SCHEDULED
- 9. Ordinances & Resolutions**
 - a. Resolution R1617-07 Budget Committee Appointment*

Mayor Popoff: Discussion of legal counsel opinion regarding donation of city-owned property to a local non-profit.

Kaufman: I think we do need to make a motion to approve this resolution [inaudible 00:44:53] it also says terms of office.

Administrator: Good point.

Mayor Popoff: All right. Let's go ahead and do that. Please, council.

MOTION: Councilor Tamie Kaufman made the motion to approve Resolution R1617-07 a resolution confirming appointments to the Budget Committee and settings terms of office. Councilor Larry Brennan seconded the motion.

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X		
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	5	0	

10. Miscellaneous Items (including policy discussions and determinations)

- a. Discussion of legal counsel opinion regarding donation of City owned property to a local non-profit
- b. Annual report to Council & Mayor on current commission/committee members
- c. City Goals

Mayor Popoff: Okay. This is where you get to hear something here concerning that. If you'd like to come on up to the front, I'd sure appreciate that.

Administrator: Okay, so at the last meeting, we had Ms. Sevey make the request to you that we donate the property that they currently lease from the city and you had some questions for me to contact legal counsel about and so I did contact her and I gave you the ORS reference there but yes. There is a special provision. My only concern was that we'd have to put it on the open market, which would have been a pain. I was kind of hoping that there would be a provision for a non-profit or somebody that we already lease property to and there is.

You can do it for low-income housing, social services, or child care or any combination thereof. Legal counsel said that the type of non-profit organization that Ms. Sevey represents definitely falls under social services and probably the other two as well. No problem there.

Councilor Kaufman asked about reversal clause should the non-profit ever, somewhere down the road, decide they don't need the property anymore for that type of facility, as long as they're still providing A, B, or C of those, or as exemptions, they would get to keep it. If that should ever go away, they

dissolve, whatever, yes. We would do that. Yes, it would be included in there. Legal counsel said that's something we definitely want to do.

Then just the generic are there ... Can we think of any negatives? Interestingly enough, legal counsel, who's usually quite conservative, said that, no, she couldn't see any downside to it. Right now, we're not on all the usuals. No, we're not collecting taxes on it right now anyways. We're not out any money.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. Three dollars that she still owes me.

Administrator: We don't have any facilities, any facilities there so it's not like we have to relocate anything. Where it's located at, it's really not usable because it's kind of down in a hole for us so, utility-wise, it's not a good location. Again, all those reasons why we probably donated it. You know, let them lease the property to begin with anyway, so those would be the only things that we would typically consider and they're all no, so as long as the council is okay with it ...

Mayor Popoff: All we're going to have to do is just find out now really what the council wants to do. If so, then the administrator will prepare what needs to be prepared and then we can take a vote on it next month.

Administrator: We'll do a formal resolution next month and then I'll work with ... I can give you something, if you need to give it to USDA or whatever, that this is what we're doing. That's why I wanted them to make a motion tonight, but we'll do a resolution doing the whereas, whereas, whereas. Then we'll have legal counsel prepare the ...

Kaufman: We don't make a resolution to donate it? We want to donate it?

Administrator: Well, I need to know. I'm giving you the information tonight and then I need to know what you guys want to do. Then we'll go from there.

Kaufman: I think we need a resolution and I'd like to make it if we are at that position.

Mayor Popoff: I don't see any reason why we can't. All of them ...

Brand: I think we need to direct our ...

Administrator: Yeah, I just [crosstalk 00:49:43].

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, the administrator has to. That's the problem with this thing. I actually ... There's no problem with it. Tonight, basically, all we're doing is giving our consent to ...

Kaufman: Move ahead.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, to the administrator, to go ahead and prepare the documents that are needed. Then, next month, we can make the resolution, then we can vote on it.

Administrator: Yeah.

Mayor Popoff: Tonight, basically ...

Administrator: Tonight, yes or no?

Mayor Popoff: Basically, we just want to find out here how council feels about this.

Kaufman: All right. If I may?

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am.

MOTION: Councilor Tamie Kaufman made the motion to go ahead with the donation of the property to Oasis. Councilor Melinda McVey seconded the motion.

Administrator: She had a question.

Kaufman: I just want to make a comment.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: There's been a lot of talk about resolving homelessness and it's the government's responsibility to do that. I don't necessarily agree with that premise.

Mayor Popoff: I don't either.

Kaufman: I do agree that this is something we can do so that a wonderful non-profit can begin to work more in that arena. I feel good about it for those reasons.

Administrator: Yeah, and if you can acquire that other ... That 10-bedroom awesome. That'd be awesome.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. All right. Any further discussion? Question?

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		

Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X		
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	5	0	

Administrator: If you need a letter from the city for that, just holler.

Lea Sevey: Okay.

Administrator: Yeah.

Mayor Popoff: At any rate, it looks like you're going to get your property.

Lea Sevey: Excellent. Thank you. I really appreciate it and my board of directors really appreciate it.

Mayor Popoff: It's our please. Our pleasure, Lea. Thank you for coming.

Administrator: I'll send you a formal letter tomorrow so that you have some city letterhead that the council has agreed to this and that we're going to do a resolution and all that for next month. That way, you'll have something that you can give to the lenders that we have made that decision. Okay.

Mayor Popoff: Okay. We have resolution R161 ... No, we did that. Where am I at now? Let's see. Annual report for council and mayor on current commission committee members, and we have this, the commencers given this all before so we have any need to go through all of this? Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: Just had one comment. Do we need to mention on planning commission number three that is a member of the UGB is also in the UGB?

Mayor Popoff: Is also a what?

Kaufman: Thomas Schultz also lives in the UGB. We have a double exception this time. It's mentioned under number five but it's not mentioned underneath three.

Administrator: What I can do is we actually have ... I can't remember if it's an ordinance or a resolution where we gave him a special dispensation, so I could reference that resolution or ordinance.

Kaufman: I remember it was a special deal.

Administrator: Yes, it was.

Mayor Popoff: It happened, yeah.

Kaufman: What did we do?

Mayor Popoff: What's that?

Administrator: Mr. Schultz also lives outside of the city limits but in the urban growth boundary, and our zoning code says ...

Mayor Popoff: Only one.

Administrator: No, the city code says only one can live outside, and so, because we weren't getting any applications ...

Kaufman: I remember now.

Administrator: The council made a special dispensation to allow Mr. Schultz, even though he was outside, so we'll just reference that in the chart.

Mayor Popoff: All righty. Council, do you have anything further that you'd like if ...

Brand: Does anybody need to be sworn in?

Mayor Popoff: We do have somebody that does need to be sworn in. Thank you very much. It should have been done at the very first of things [crosstalk 00:54:05] legally, Councilor Brennan. [crosstalk 00:54:11].

Administrator: Doug was.

Brennan: He was sworn in?

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, he was.

Brand: On the 15th.

Mayor Popoff: On the 15th.

SWEARING IN OF COUNCILOR LARRY BRENNAN BY MAYOR POPOFF

Mayor Popoff: Okay. With that in mind, is there anything further on this that we have to do anything at all about?

Administrator: Okay, so we are ... No. Now we're just down to the city goals.

Mayor Popoff: City goals. Everybody had a chance to look at those. Everybody have anything they'd like to be able to say to begin with concerning them?

Administrator: Councilor Campbell had a couple of questions that I answered over the weekend and I told her that when I speak to one of you specifically, I like to let everybody know just so that you know the conversation that we had. For goal number 1A, for the maintain yearly contingency of at least 5% and an unappropriated ending fund balance of a minimum of 15% in the General Fund operating budget, I didn't write that but it's always been kind of clunky but the goal we started in 2010 after our series of town halls and that one isn't written very well but the intent was that, for the contingency annually to have at least 5% of the general funds total budget and that we would have a reserve cash of at least 15% of the general fund budget.

That number, it's kind of a moving target, depending on what's budgeted year by year. In the budget, I do that little chart that shows what all the requirements and the resources are. Then, at the bottom, it has the percentages and I actually said that I would print that tonight and I forgot to do that so I will do that before you leave.

I don't know what the intent was in 2010 but I think that, ideally, we would like to end up with like X amount of money in cash in reserves. Councilor Kaufman?

Kaufman: I have the back story if you want one.

Administrator: Okay. Go for it.

Kaufman: There was an argument back then that the city was hiding money, for lack of a better term, in the cash [inaudible 01:02:25] fund. They would be very, very frugal all year long and they would project the cash turnover in a small amount that would really be a large amount. Then they weren't really actually using the tax dollars for what it was purposed for, so the idea behind ... I mean, the goal is we do want to be fiscally sound but we don't want to pledge the number so that we just have this big cash ward and the citizens aren't getting the services they wanted. Of course, that tied into wanting the police coverage.

Mayor Popoff: What was the amount of that huge cash?

Kaufman: Some years it was 200,000 dollars, if I recall.

Mayor Popoff: It wasn't 350?

Kaufman: I don't recall. Every year, it happened and it would just go over and over and over again. There were years we didn't have continuity of budget officers either.

Mayor Popoff: One of these days, I'm going to have to address that. There is something else that has bugged me a long time concerning that but, nevertheless, it's not the place to go into it.

Administrator: There was a couple more questions on goal 1F, on bi-annual review system development charges.

Kaufman: What page is that?

Administrator: Page 2 of 14.

Kaufman: F?

Mayor Popoff: F, yeah.

Administrator: The question was has there been any pushback on the water rate increase and actually no. Believe it or not. There hasn't been. We did have one. We've only had one real complainer and that's a gentleman that owns an apartment building in town who doesn't actually live in Gold Beach and he said that we should contact the town that he lives in because they charge cheaper water and we should find out why their water is cheaper.

I can give you five reasons right off of the top of my head why their water is cheaper and I don't even have to call them. It's not an apples to apples comparison but we've actually only had one true complainer. Most people, we, the utility clerk, Kim and I have been kind of monitoring it. It went into effect for the bill that went out at the end of October so we've had end of October, end of November, and now end of December.

Really, just like the water rate study said, really the only people that are noticing any different are those large users and the whole idea was to encourage conservation. People that are in that 5,000 to 7,000 range haven't actually noticed any changed in their bill and that's what we wanted. That people that are using the right amount of water, we didn't want to raise their rates exponentially, but the people that were high-end users, yes, they needed to pay more.

The nice thing about it is I did notify some of the larger commercial users before the rate went into effect and I said, I gave them ... I think I gave them 12 months of, "If you were paying this rate for the past 12 months, this is what you would have paid, but it's really you guys are in the driver's seat. It's up to you. You can tell your tenants that it's up to you what we pay per water."

One of the larger, in fact, the largest one, I know for a fact has worked really hard on leak detection, reducing leaks in their facility and then also just letting their tenants know that, "Hey, it's ... You know, it's ..." If you live someplace where the water is paid by somebody else, you just use as much as you want but they've tried to convince everybody that, hey, everybody is in on this and it has made a difference.

Okay, when was the last [COLA 01:06:14] increase for the police in 2011? This has to do with the Teamsters' contract that will be opening. The last [COLA 01:06:21] was in July of 2015 but they have had annual 5% step increases since the current contract went into effect in 2014. We will start negotiations with the Teamsters probably next month. We just got notified a couple of weeks ago.

Goal number 2, 2A, which is on page 3, was pursuit formation of a parks and recreation district and I commented that we haven't discussed this in a while. Yeah, I don't think we can afford this. It's one of those nice-to-have things.

Kaufman: Parks and recreation is Jack Barnes' idea and Jack [crosstalk 01:07:16].

Administrator: I agree with you too that it's ... That's why ...

Mayor Popoff: Council please. As long as we can make out what's going on here.

Administrator: We had talked at one time about probably the only way that we can have a parks and recreation district would be if we form the taxing district and we all know what's going to happen if we try to do that so yeah.

Male: Yeah [crosstalk 01:07:35].

Administrator: You didn't say anything and none of us have already said so don't worry.

Mayor Popoff: Shall we go ahead and just delete it?

Administrator: That's ...

Kaufman: I didn't [inaudible 01:07:46].

Mayor Popoff: If we're not going to pursue it, then what's the point of having it on there?

Brand: There maybe come a time where we could ...

Administrator: Yeah, I don't know that we should ...

Mayor Popoff: You just want to keep it as a pending or revisit or whatever we want to call it?

Brand: That was one that we can look at for every five years.

Mayor Popoff: [crosstalk 01:08:04]

Administrator: If we had traction, if some group of citizens had traction where it's like, "Hey, we'd like to do this." That'd be nice. Kid castle, we talked a little bit about that. We'll talk about that at budget time. Then GIS is Geographic Information System. Basically computer mapping. Again, the yellow ones are the comments that I've made. Have at her. Please feel free to discuss.

Mayor Popoff: Council, would you like to bring out anything? Yes, ma'am.

Kaufman: Do you want to go like one page at a time? Because that might be quickest.

Mayor Popoff: Whatever is the quickest. What do you guys want to do?

Brand: On what?

Mayor Popoff: Yes, sir.

Brand: We did have it set up to where we just review portions of it every quarter.

Administrator: Right, and that didn't happen last year.

Brand: We just take that portion and then delegate the rest of the portions to the other three quarters of the year since this is January. It would get through this a lot quicker.

Mayor Popoff: [inaudible 01:09:20]

Administrator: However you all want to do it.

Brand: We're already on page 3. That's almost like the first quarter is done.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah. We've gone through quite a bit of this.

Brand: We have 8.

Administrator: Well, those were just the questions that ... I was just giving you the questions that Councilor Campbell had asked me over the weekend. I just wanted you to be aware of what those questions were but that wasn't like starting ... Those were just questions that were given to me, so if anyone else has any additional questions for those pages ...

Kaufman: If nobody else wants to start, I will. My first question is on 2.

Administrator: Page 2?

Kaufman: Yeah.

Administrator: Okay.

Kaufman: Number, I'm on the Teamsters contract. I wasn't able to vote in favor of that last time because I didn't like how the input was done. Is it possible that should be involved in that negotiation, maybe if it's appropriate and the council put a person involved in that negotiation so it's not just here's the deal and everybody accepts it. It should be [inaudible 01:10:26].

Mayor Popoff: In the past, believe it or not, I remember years ago. We did have ... A councilor was in on it and the chief ... I'm trying to remember. It's been quite some time ago. In the early 2000s. I know that we had a councilor. We also designated a special tax ... It was Frank, Frank Roberts, who's designated as our chief negotiator at the time.

Basically, council I think, as far as ... Can do pretty much what they want to. If they want to attend anything at all like that, I don't know about negotiating but at least as far as attending, obviously you guys can attend anything that you want to.

Administrator: I'm trying to word this to not be disrespectful. It's a contract negotiation. That's something that's typically done. That's one of the duties that is delegated to the city administrator and then I can delegate that to other people. As of this point, I've notified Teamsters that the two representatives for the city are going to be the chief of police and myself. You have to approve the contract once it's been negotiated. I ...

Mayor Popoff: Council can attend as an observer. There's absolutely nothing that can keep council from attending as observer. They don't have perhaps the right to speak but as far as an observer, if a member here decides that they would like to be a part of that in observing, there's absolutely nothing that can prevent them.

Administrator: I think that I would want to talk to legal counsel about that before because collective bargaining agreements can get into some really sticky employment law so I will certainly ask that but it's not something that once the deal is struck so to speak on the council, again, like I said, you have to ratify it so ... but I will talk to legal counsel about whether it's appropriate to have a council member there but ... Okay, yeah. I will ask legal counsel that.

Mayor Popoff: Okay, appreciate that. Councilor Kaufman, do you have anything further?

Kaufman: On the third page, do we have backup generators [inaudible 01:13:10] or it's just the sort of [inaudible 01:13:13]?

Administrator: Just doing water. We do not have one for city hall.

Kaufman: Some of the sewer pumps I think have backup generators but I'm not sure.

Administrator: I just heard the server.

Brennan: Yeah, right on time.

Administrator: Yeah. If you guys are on wi-fi, you may have just lost your internet. Some of our sewer pump stations have backup generators. I cannot tell you off the top of my head which ones. I can ask Will. I want to say that more street and Hunter Creek do but I would need to check with Will on that.

Kaufman: I have a comment, just to bring it forward to our conscious that one of the goals was to seek alternative energy solutions to the city. We have a brand-new bathroom and it doesn't have automatic on it, with the motion sensor.

Administrator: Okay.

Kaufman: It's got to be turned off and on but that it's something we thought about [inaudible 01:14:15]. Just a thought.

Administrator: We can replace it.

Kaufman: This was written in 2011. Maybe it is time to do a new public hearing about a strategic plan and get public input. It's up to the council, of course.

Administrator: We actually tried in 2015. We sent out notices and stuff and nobody came. I would be happy to try that again.

Mayor Popoff: Where we at, Councilor?

Kaufman: I was suggesting, since this is an old plan, I mean, we revise it but we haven't gone back to the public and said, "Hey, is this still what your priorities are?"

Mayor Popoff: Surely [crosstalk 01:15:43].

Administrator: Maybe we could try something electronically?

Kaufman: We did a town hall meeting, is what we did, and we did it at school and we ...

Administrator: We had like three meetings.

Kaufman: Administrator Barnes facilitated it and we have the skills to do that. I just don't know if we have the public interest. I know that housing is going to [come huge 01:16:00]. Not the city's responsibility but ...

Administrator: How about I submit a survey? We actually had pretty good luck on the bag survey and see if there's ...

Mayor Popoff: Yes, councilor?

McVey: I may be completely out of line with this but I've been going through these and I was going through them this afternoon. This is the first time we've seen these in quite some time.

Administrator: In a year.

McVey: I was thinking that a lot of these incorporate lot say the spring but we've all been reading and looking them over, that maybe in a future meeting, we could take them in sections and discuss them at depth. We're trying to do a lot tonight and my mind is beginning to spin.

Administrator: That's actually what we're supposed to do. We're supposed to take two goals per quarter and that was my fault for 2016.

McVey: I'm going to take more but I mean, just tonight, trying to go over everything.

Administrator: I think what I kind of ... The reason why I gave it to you in color is just so that you would know what have been done in the past year.

McVey: Absolutely and I appreciate it.

Administrator: Then, but going forward, we will get back to our quarterly where we have two goals. We can be a little more in depth.

McVey: Yeah, I'd like to discuss a lot of these in depth but not tonight. This is the first time I've seen them in a year. That's all I have to say.

Mayor Popoff: I know. At any rate, moving along. It's not a bad idea. At the end of it, sometimes these are fun. What would you like to do tonight, council, as far as reviewing the goals and what have you?

Administrator: Is there anything specific that you want me to follow up on right now?

Mayor Popoff: That is a good way to describe it.

Brand: One question.

Mayor Popoff: Yes, sir.

Male: On the park [inaudible 01:18:20] and associates.

Administrator: Yes.

Brand: Do we have a contingency budget for the park?

Administrator: We started a parks reserve I want to say in 2012 and, if you recall, we got a gift out of nowhere last year. I want to say it's like 20,000 dollars, and that's in addition to the money that we've been putting aside. Off the top of my head, I want to say that there's about 40,000 dollars in that reserve.

Brand: [crosstalk 01:19:00] You have a reserve?

Administrator: Yes.

Mayor Popoff: All right.

Administrator: I didn't get into the specifics there about what the report said. I was going to save it for budget time because there's really nothing that we can do about it until then anyway.

Mayor Popoff: Okay. Exactly where are we at right now?

Administrator: For February, I put on here, for reviewing our goals. In January, we're supposed to review goals one or two. I've updated it for 2016 but for the February agenda, I will put that we will review goals one and two, okay? Then we'll be back on track for our quarterly.

Mayor Popoff: Sounds good. That sounds good. Yeah, that'd be much simpler than what this is right now. Okay. Everybody satisfied with that? Council? Okay, thank you. Let's go ahead then to the city administrator's report. Probably fourth quarter, city administrator.

11. City Administrator's Report
To be presented at the meeting

Administrator: Okay, so I will make it quick. We received notification from LOC about the city day at the capital on February 8. Councilor Kaufman has already inquired about that. I put a little info in there about it. If any of you, you can click on the link. You should have all gotten an email but you can just go to the LST website. If that's something that you're interested in going to, just let me know and we can make the registration and travel arrangements for you. It's the city day at the legislature where you could meet our legislative candidates and all that good stuff.

Before I forget, today, we received a check for \$14,863.13 for the lien payoff on the Russell Street abatement. That was money that I thought we'd never see. We did get that money back. I was not ever expecting to see that money. We still did not have the one on First Street but this is a much larger amount so it's great.

Brand: Given the fact that we weren't expecting anything at all, really, when it came right down to it, that is really something.

Administrator: Yeah. Just got that today.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor.

Brand: [crosstalk 01:21:37] I figured if we weren't expecting, I'm going to throw this out. It came out of General Fund, correct?

Administrator: Yes. It wasn't budgeted so don't be thinking about using it.

Brand: I wasn't. I was thinking about putting that money in the fund we created to pay off future.

Administrator: We created the Nuisance Abatement Fund so if you want I can receipt that into the ... Rather than the General Fund, put it in the Nuisance Abatement Fund.

Brand: If the General Fund is needing 14 grand.

Administrator: We can always transfer it back.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah, it's a good suggestion.

Administrator: Okay, yeah. I would be happy to do that.

Mayor Popoff: It sounds good.

Administrator: The fog enforcement, finally. I wanted to get that done by December 31st. That didn't happen. I will say that was because Will was on vacation. Not because we weren't ready. I wanted him to have one final look at it before we sent it out but they did all go out. I sent you copies of what I sent to everyone just so because I'm sure that there's going to be some folks that are going to freak out, even though we've had this on the books for a long time, I know that there's going to be people that are going to freak out over it. I just wanted you to be aware, and if you want hard copies of any of the stuff that we sent to the fog generators, just let me know.

Some of this stuff, the frequently asked questions, things like that, we'll post on the city website so people will know. This one is one that's near and dear to Councilor Campbell. The Port Tug Popeye is going to have a permanent place down at the visitor's center. That was part of the earlier in the summer beautification thing. The port no longer use the little tugboat and so Councilor Campbell and [Saloma 01:23:36] had talked to the port about possibly donating it to us for kind of like a historical thing.

We're going to set it up at the visitors center. It's going to be partially buried in the ground so that people can ... It'll be a jungle gym, for a lack of a better word, but people can go in and out of it. The port has spent most of the summer decommissioning it. Taking things off of it that people could hurt themselves on or whatever. That is probably going to get moved probably before the end of the month. The port is going to move it down there for us. It'll be interesting to see how they're going to negotiate that corner and I may ask the people not to be in the visitor's center that day.

Male: I'm surprised that they haven't donated the Mary D. too.

Administrator: Because that tug is like 12 tons or something like that. If it goes rolling off of their thing, I don't want it to fall in the visitor's center but we'll find out for sure what day it's going to be. The police steps are attached. I haven't heard from Chief Andrews in the middle of the night lately so I'm assuming that things are going good. No news is good news on that front.

I included and I will not read it all, Mr. Mayor, I included a really comprehensive report from Fire Chief Krieger on what they've been doing this past year. I would encourage you all to read it except the end of page 1 and page 2, all of page 2. He's got some really exciting stuff that their department has been doing. I am really proud of all of the hard work that he's done. He has just energized our department. The median age of our fire fighters has dropped by like 20 years, which is good for all of us because now we have young bucks and young ladies out there that are putting out fires, rather than on old farts like the rest of us. We have a very young fire department. Probably the youngest we've ever had.

Mayor Popoff: We still have the Garrett on there as well. The [phantom 01:25:36] police officer.

Administrator: Yes. Two of our fire fighters are actually ... We have, Garrett is a fireman/policeman and then Tim Bolster works in our public works department and also volunteers. I think that's really awesome. Kudos to both of them. They have a lot of personal love for our city and that's pretty great that they work here and volunteer too, so really glad for all the stuff that Chief Krieger has been doing.

Visitor center. Debbie is here tonight. Okay, you guys have got to read her report in here. You have to read it. Having worked with the public in the front office for a lot of time and also used to work in the visitor's center when it was in a different location, she included some of the best questions that they've gotten asked.

Kaufman: She's wonderful.

Administrator: Along with some of the answers that they give. It's hilarious and I think we might actually start a book in the front office.

Kaufman: Number four is my favorite.

Administrator: Yeah. Take it home and read it. There's some really good questions. Yes, these really are questions that people come in and ask.

Kaufman: You have to read number four out loud.

Administrator: I have to read number four out loud. What's number four? Yeah. This one. I actually went out front. When Debbie sent this to me, I actually went out to the front office. I'm like, "Okay, everybody stop. We need to read this." Okay, what is that big lake out there?

Kaufman: What's of the visitor center?

Mayor Popoff: I'll be doggoned.

Administrator: My favorite one I think is the prehistoric animal one. I think that's my favorite one. There's a prehistoric animal in my yard, scaring my dogs. I need to get rid of it. Yeah, it's probably an osprey had dropped it in their backyard, but yeah. These are the kind of questions that we get at the visitor center.

Administrator: Okay. We're getting ... Debbie [inaudible 01:27:41] season so we're gearing up for that and because it's not the 10th yet, I don't have the December reports but

the November reports are in there. Biggest news in administration finance is the GIS is back. It's way more awesome than it ever was. I'd like to publicly acknowledge Commissioner Tom Huxley. Without him, it would not have happened. I know that some people have a problem with his bedside manner but he is ... I will be forever in his debt. It is so awesome what he has done and, not only got it done, but for this incredible amount of money. For 6,000 dollars and that's not our portion. That's how much the whole thing is.

I will send, Councilor Kaufman, because I know that you look at land data, but if anyone would like links to how to access the data, I will be happy to send them to you and it really is fun, just noodling around in there. It's a contract through Lane County and it's just awesome. There's all kinds of layers in there. There's all kinds of data. It's already helped me so much, and it's not even like the full on version yet. That's it, Mr. Mayor.

12. Mayor and Council Member Comments

a. Mayor Karl Popoff

b. Councilors

1) Melinda McVey

2) Larry Brennan

3) Becky Campbell

4) Doug Brand

5) Tamie Kaufman

Mayor Popoff: Thank you, ma'am. Councilor McVey, do you have anything that you'd like-

McVey: I've said enough.

Brennan: I don't.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor Campbell.

Campbell: No, sir.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor Brand? I know.

Brand: I got new ones. We've got to start [crosstalk 01:29:23]. If you always do what you've always done, you only got what you've already got. There you go.

Mayor Popoff: Thank you. It's like that rule about insanity, almost.

Mayor Popoff: Councilor Kaufman.

Kaufman: I have three requests.

Mayor Popoff: How many?

Kaufman: Three. They'll be pretty quick.

Mayor Popoff: You can't do them one each meeting?

Kaufman: The first one is we have an aging population. We have people on the council that can't hear and our sound system only works in the back rows. Can we make it a priority to make the sound system work in the entire place so that our council can hear us and the public can hear us?

Male: Why?

Kaufman: I don't know if you can turn the speakers or we add a set or what but I figured that at the League of Women Voters Forum, that only the back rows can hear.

Mayor Popoff: At that League of Women Voters forum, I could not hear. Of course, migraine anyway but I cannot hear the moderator at the beginning that has some of the questions and I was winging it, even after I asked twice. I figured that the third time that I ask wouldn't really look all that great so I decided to ask it without even ... or answer it without even hearing the question well.

Kaufman: Obviously, this is going to be very expensive. It'll have to be the next budget year.

Mayor Popoff: Yeah.

Kaufman: The second is can we write an ordinance or whatever it takes to possibly have council members or other board members attend via phone or internet if they can't make a meeting?

Administrator: I think that's an excellent idea.

Kaufman: One of the key things we don't have that most other entities do.

Mayor Popoff: You know, I remember just ... Yes.

McVey: Sorry. In speaking to what you just spoke to, write an ordinance to do what, I'm sorry?

Kaufman: That council members, commissioners, people that do official city meetings to attend either via phone or internet.

Administrator: Right now we don't, and we've had that question come up but because our code doesn't specifically say it, we can't have remote attendance. In this digital age, there's no reason why we shouldn't.

Kaufman: [crosstalk 01:31:41] television.

Administrator: Do what?

Kaufman: We used to be televised.

Mayor Popoff: It did used to be televised.

Kaufman: It was good.

Administrator: Well, yeah.

Mayor Popoff: That's part of the cable agreement that we had with them back then.

Administrator: Right, and we still do. It's just, when I call Charter, they never send anybody because it's a free service and then, when they do send somebody, they say it's working and then it's not. I can get after that again but it's just ... I'd rather just ...

Kaufman: Didn't we have a web-based one that worked for a while?

Administrator: Yeah, I just need to ... That's what those little cameras are. I just need to ...

Male: If you turn those on, could you send that to Charter and then they can play them?

Administrator: We can just put it on our website. Well, but yeah. Yeah, we can do that. Okay.

Kaufman: My third thing, and I bring this up every year and then I don't follow through and ask staff what I need to do to get this done so it's my fault is, every year, we have a weekly say you need to take down your weeds and every year the same people violate and I would like a progressive violation fine for them. This year, we're going to warn you once. That's it.

McVey: Do a what?

Kaufman: The same people every year don't mow their ... Their vacant property. Then we have to spend staff time to send them several letters throughout the summer.

McVey: That is true.

Kaufman: Please mow your yard because it's a fire danger. I think that we need some sort of fine that, "Okay, we'll let you know once as a courtesy but the next time you knew better." I want it cheaper for them to hire somebody to take care of it than it is to deal with us. I want to incentivize it.

Mayor Popoff: I think that is an excellent idea. I haven't been out there mowing someone else's lawn and, as far as I'm concerned, during the summer, we want to continue to be able to keep the place looking as nice as we can. That includes mowing. If we have to do it, or in short, if I have to do it or we had volunteers to do it, then they're still going to pay for it. I mean, I don't mind getting out there with a lawn mower, but, for crying out loud, I'm not going to do it just so someone else can sit on their dead rear end.

Administrator: I have my action items for next meeting. I'll talk to Lauren and see on, if it's something that we can ... because we have a penalty that we adopt by resolution or is that something that we have to amend the ordinance itself. Can we just say that ... I don't know so I will have the answer for you for the February meeting.

Mayor Popoff: Once again, it's a good suggestion and that is something that's been bugging me a bit too. Is that ... anything further?

Kaufman: No, sir.

13. Citizens Comments
As permitted by the Mayor

14. Executive Session
No executive session is scheduled

*The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is **Monday, February 23, 2017, at 6:30PM** in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 29592 Ellensburg Avenue, Gold Beach, Oregon.*

Mayor Popoff: [inaudible 01:37:58] all this fun and frivolity it's got to end sometime and I think it's probably a good time end it. Probably see the after-game show. I don't have anything further to say other, once again, just wish everybody a happy new year. I hope everybody's Christmas went well. You enjoyed yourselves? Had fun, family around? That's good. With that in mind, I'm not even going to bother to see if there's any citizens out there that want to say anything. It's a list of usual suspects. That in mind, the next regular scheduled city council meeting is Monday, February 23rd, 2017 at 6:30.

Administrator: That can't be right?

Mayor Popoff: 23rd? It would be the 13th, wouldn't it?

Administrator: That's a typo.

Mayor Popoff: It'll be the 13th at 6:30, right here. Entertain a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Councilor Larry Brennan made the motion to adjourn. Councilor Doug Brand seconded the motion.

Record of Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Council Position #1 Melinda McVey	X		
Council Position #2 Larry Brennan	X		
Council Position #3 Becky Campbell	X		
Council Position #4 Doug Brand	X		
Council Position #5 Tamie Kaufman	X		
MOTION CARRIES 5 AYES	5	0	

Mayor Popoff: Done. Meeting adjourned at 8:12. Thank you, council. Thank you, audience.

15. Adjourn Time: 8:12PM