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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

OF

November 23, 2015

5:30 p.m.

THE DALLES CITY HALL
313 COURT STREET
THE DALLES, OREGON

PRESIDING: Mayor Steve Lawrence

COUNCIL PRESENT: Dan Spatz, Tim McGlothlin, Linda Miller, Russ Brown, Taner Elliott

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Interim City Manager Julie Krueger, City Attorney Gene Parker, Recording Secretary Izetta Grossman, Project Coordinator Daniel Hunter, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Finance Director Kate Mast, Police Chief Jay Waterbury

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lawrence called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by Recording Secretary Izetta Grossman; all Councilors present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lawrence invited the audience to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Lawrence moved Discussion Item 14-A to after Item 12 Consent Agenda. It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Miller to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Presentation of Fiscal Year 2014-15 City Audit and Single Audit

Finance Director Mast introduced Tonya Moffitt of Merina and Company.

Ms. Moffitt presented the single audit, and she said it was a clean audit. Moffitt noted findings in the Airport fund related to grant reporting and timely invoice payment. She said that those items had been corrected and systems in place to assure non-reoccurrence.

It was moved by Elliott and seconded by Miller to accept the fiscal year 2014-15 City of The Dalles audit as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS TO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MEETING

Mayor Lawrence recessed the meeting to the Urban Renewal Meeting at 6:44 p.m.

RECONVENE TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Lawrence reconvened the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Interim City Manager Krueger reported that the Bike Hub grant had been submitted and the downtown parking would be enforced for the holiday season.

Krueger reminded the Council that the Town Hall regarding the Enterprise Zone was scheduled for November 30 at the Senior Center.

Krueger brought to the Council's attention a list of items Councilor McGlothlin provided of items currently at the Recreation that he felt should be surplus. There was some discussion regarding how to sell the items and how to determine the value. City Attorney Parker said that the policy was that donations could only be made to non-profit organizations.

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by McGlothlin to declare the items on the list (attached) as surplus property. The motion carried unanimously.

Krueger reported that Dan Bubb of Gorge.net had worked with Google to identify a use for the Google Wi Fi Grant. She said there was equipment that needed to be upgraded or replaced. It was moved by Miller and seconded by Elliott to accept the Google Wi Fi Grant. The motion

carried unanimously.

Krueger asked if the Council wanted to schedule the Urban Renewal work session on December 29. It was the consensus of the Council to have the work session on December 29.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Parker reported on his findings regarding the concerns voiced at the November 9 City Council meeting regarding an ethics violation. He said that he found no basis for a referral to the Oregon Ethics Commission. Parker said that Thompson Street had been established as a separate goal of the Council. He further reported that he was not able to find any evidence on the meeting recordings of Mayor Lawrence controlling the dialog regarding Thompson Street.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Brown reported on attending the Traffic Safety Committee meeting, where it was felt the Downtown Halloween event might need more safety measures. He attended the Traffic System Plan meeting and would attend the upcoming Mid Columbia Council of Governments meeting. Brown said he was interviewed by a couple of high school students.

Councilor Spatz reported that the Sister City Organization would have applications for 2016 student delegation going out to students over the Christmas holiday. He said the Sister City Organization was approaching the North Wasco County Education Foundation to go under that organization as a 501(c)3. Spatz said that he was asking the City to take on the Sister City website, to host the sight and keep it updated. It was the consensus of the Council for the City to take on the hosting and maintenance of the Sister City website.

Councilor Elliott reported he attended the QLife meeting and that QLife would be holding a strategic planning session on December 8. He said a survey was sent to the Council and Commission for input during the process.

Councilor Miller reported attending the Historic Landmarks Commission meeting where the preservation of the Waldron Drug Building was discussed. She said she attended the Veteran's Day Parade and said it gets bigger and better every year. She said the fireworks were wonderful. Miller said she attended the Gorge Youth Center dinner and it was very well attended.

Mayor Lawrence reported on attending the Veterans Ceremony at the Middle School and commended the students, staff and administration on the event. He said he was interviewed by a couple of high school students. Lawrence said he attended the Route 30 ribbon cutting, and a lunch on the American Empress. He reported that the Empress is bringing another large ship to The Dalles in 2016.

Mayor Lawrence reported that he and Councilor McGlothlin had attended a meeting with Ecom,

a company that offers IT services, and with Wasco County to discuss combining City and County IT services. Lawrence asked the Council for approval to have Ecom give a free analysis of our IT systems. It was the consensus of the Council for the Mayor to proceed requesting the free analysis.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Elliott and seconded by Miller to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Items approved by Consent Agenda were: 1) Approval of November 9, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes; 2) Approval of Resolution 15-046 Establishing a Local Grants Policy.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Regarding The Dalles Disposal Proposed Rate Increase

City Attorney Parker reviewed the staff report and introduced Erwin Swetman of The Dalles Disposal.

Swetman reviewed the rate increase request. In response to questions he said that recycling costs had increased significantly, and that they paid \$33/ton to get rid of the recycling and had to drive it to Portland. Mayor Lawrence requested a cost of program analysis next year.

John Hutchinson, 305 W 23rd, The Dalles said The Dalles Disposal does a good community service, with great people. He suggested the Council talk to A & P Recycling before deciding on the rate increase.

Hutchinson said the survey reference by Councilor Elliott, that was done by Hermiston compared rates; Hermiston is \$16, Baker City at \$21.18 and the City of The Dalles was considerably more.

It was the consensus of the Council for City Attorney Parker to prepare a Resolution for the December 14 meeting.

City Attorney Parker would also bring back information on recycling in Hermiston as it relates to their curbside rates.

PUBLIC HEARING

Continuation of Public Hearing to Receive Testimony Regarding Proposed Reimbursement Fees for Port of The Dalles Chenoweth Business Park Water and Sewer Reimbursement District

Public Works Director Anderson reviewed the staff report.

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Anderson read into the record a letter from the Port of The Dalles, regarding resolution to Home At Last's concerns about their portion of the fees.

Mayor Lawrence closed the public hearing.

Resolution No.15-036 Establishing a Reimbursement Fee for Chenowith Business Park

It was moved by Miller and seconded by Spatz to adopt Resolution No.15-036 Establishing Reimbursement fees for the Port of The Dalles Chenowith Business Park (Columbia Gorge Industrial Center) as presented in the Public Works Director's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing to Receive Testimony regarding General Ordinance NO. 12-1317, Regulating Second Hand Dealers

Mayor Lawrence opened the public hearing.

City Attorney Parker reviewed the staff report.

Mayor Lawrence read into the record at letter form Mark Thomas of Yesterday and Today.

Lawrence thought that some kind of adjustment should be looked at.

Councilor Elliott said the dollar amount seemed to be the issue.

Councilor Brown agreed it seemed like a lot of work for not a lot of money.

Mel Mendez of Gameopoly said that the paperwork takes a lot of time. He said he deals with mostly people he knows. The seven day hold costs him business; because he can't sell an item he knows hasn't been stolen as soon as it comes in.

Eric Stoval said he was on the committee that worked on the ordinance, and at the time thought it was good. He said it was a lot of paperwork, and to avoid the paperwork he didn't buy products over \$25.

Chief Waterbury recommended reconvening the committee to review how the ordinance was working and bring back a recommendation to the Council.

Mayor Lawrence closed the public hearing.

Councilor Spatz requested that Chief Waterbury and City Attorney Parker meet with the committee to review the ordinance and bring recommendations back to the Council. It was the consensus of the Council to have the committee reconvene.

Public Hearing to Receive Testimony Regarding Declaration of Real Property Located at 600 East 12th Street as Surplus Real Property

Mayor Lawrence opened the public hearing.

City Attorney Parker reviewed the staff report.

Hearing no testimony Mayor Lawrence closed the public hearing.

Resolution No. 15-047 Declaring Real Property Located at 600 East 12th Street as Surplus Property

It was moved by McGlothin and seconded by Miller to adopt Resolution No. 15-047 Declaring Real Property located at 600 East 12th Street as Surplus Real Property. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

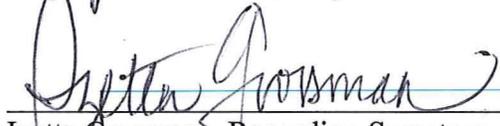
Submitted by/
Izetta Grossman
Recording Secretary

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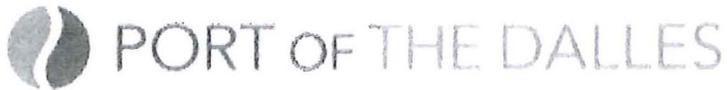


Stephen E. Lawrence, Mayor

ATTEST:



Izetta Grossman, Recording Secretary



November 18, 2015

Julie Krueger, acting City Manager
City of The Dalles
313 Court Street
The Dalles, OR 97058

RE: Columbia Gorge Industrial Center Reimbursement District

Dear Julie:

I am sorry that I am not able to attend the meeting tonight, so in my absence, please read this into the record during the City Council's continuing deliberation on the Industrial Center reimbursement district.

Subsequent to the November 9th City Council meeting I have been able to talk to both Home At Last President, Diana Bailey, and City of The Dalles Public Works Director, Dave Anderson, about Home At Last's concerns around their financial contribution for the proposed Reimbursement District. The Port understands the financial burden that the initial \$8457.09 contribution places on Home At Last, at the same time the Port is not in a position to simply waive their contribution. That said, the Port does have a solution that alleviates Home At Last's concerns, which is to have the Port finance the Home At Last contribution.

Director Anderson and I have talked through the basic mechanics of how this could work - in very basic terms, at the time Home At Last elects to connect to City sewer the Port would pay the required contribution amount to the City, at the same time, the Port and Home At Last would enter into a repayment agreement that would allow Home At Last to repay the Port over time.

All parties feel that this is a good solution that works well for the City, the Port and Home At Last, and may even allow Home At Last to connect to City sewer at an earlier date.

Thank you for your time on this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrea Klaas".

Andrea Klaas, Executive Director

Julie Krueger

From: Timothy McGlothlin <timothymcglathlin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 10:20 PM
To: Julie Krueger
Subject: Inventory of Recreation

A	B	C	D
Timestamp	Count	Description	Location
11/16/2015 22:01:47	4	4 foot square table	Cafe
11/16/2015 22:02:47	3	Round tall table	cafe
11/16/2015 22:04:47	5	36' Square short table	cafe
11/16/2015 22:05:13	26	Captain wood chairs	cafe
11/16/2015 22:05:42	1	Pool table 4' lamp	cafe
11/16/2015 22:06:16	7	Ceiling Fans	Bowling and C
11/16/2015 22:06:50	1	Multicolor light	Bowling
11/16/2015 22:07:36	1	Fridge Commercial	Kitchen
11/16/2015 22:08:16	1	Fridge (non-commercial)	Kitchen
11/16/2015 22:08:58	1	Commercial gas stove and griddle	kitchen
11/16/2015 22:09:26	2	Non-brand 15 inch speakers	Bowling
11/16/2015 22:09:55	3 doz.	Bowling Shoes	Bowling
11/16/2015 22:10:38	1,000	Bowling Pins	Bowling
11/16/2015 22:11:13	30	Bowling Balls	Bowling
11/16/2015 22:11:51	4	Vintage Signs	Cafe
11/16/2015 22:12:24	2	3x4 rubber mat	Cafe
11/16/2015 22:13:14	6	Beer lever distribution	Cafe
11/16/2015 22:13:56	1	Soft Drink Cooler	Bowling

November 18, 2015

To: Mayor Steve Lawrence
The Dalles City Council

RE: The Dalles General Ordinance 12-1317

Since this ordinance was enacted by The Dalles City Council in January 2013, I have only had one incidence where I was contacted by a local law enforcement agency, Wasco County Sheriff, when alleged stolen merchandise was involved. The dollar value of these items was \$12.00, well below the \$25.00 threshold when, as a dealer, I was required to obtain ID from the person selling the property. Since then, I have not been contacted regarding any stolen property.

From my perspective, it appears this ordinance has been ineffective in tracing stolen property. I think the Council should reconsider this ordinance.

There has to be a better solution.



Mark Thomas
Yesterday & Today
The Dalles, OR.