

# **CITY OF PRINEVILLE Regular Meeting Brief** 387 NE Third Street – Prineville, OR 97754 541.447.5627 ph 541-447-5628 fax

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# City Council Meeting Brief November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

# **Council Members Present:**

Steve Uffelman Janet Hutchison Patricia Jungmann Jason Beebe Gail Merritt Teresa Rumble

# **Council Members Absent**

Jeff Papke

#### Additions to the Agenda

Crook County Health Department COVID-19 Update and Consideration of Second Council Meeting in November, to be added under Council Business.

# **Consent Agenda**

# 1. Regular Meeting Brief 10-27-2020

Councilor Jungmann made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. No audio from Councilor Hutchison. All in favor motion carried.

#### Visitors, Appearances and Requests:

None.

#### **Public Appearances**

There were no written comments to be included in the record.

# **Council Business**

2. Crook County Health Department – COVID-19 Update

Vicky Ryan, Crook County Public Information Officer provided an update that included: November 14<sup>th</sup> there will be a drive through flu clinic that will include Mosaic medical to perform 40 rapid COVID tests and is open to anyone to come through; the Health Department will be doing PPE distribution along with hand sanitizer. There will be about 38 staff members including Mosaic staff that will be at the drive through flu clinic. The Health Department has already done two drive through's in last couple years.

Ms. Ryan explained we have a rise in cases and had nine cases show up today; the counting week runs from Sunday – Saturday; nine counties are now on pause; 60 cases or more in two weeks would put a county on pause; the trend in cases is in gatherings; Crook County has a cumulative case count of 150; they are monitoring about 53 people who are contacts to a positive case; still running the full incident command at clinic; and there are five Crook County people in Bend St. Charles right now with three in ICU.

Discussions continued regarding the drive through flu clinic is from 10-3; they have also reached out to the Hispanic community; putting together a public service announcement from businesses urging the community to wear face coverings rather than it coming from the government; and reminders to stay the course.

#### 3. Consideration for Cancellation of Second Council Meeting in November

Jered Reid, City Attorney provided the background information explaining that the second Council meeting on November 24<sup>th</sup> falls during Thanksgiving Day week.

Councilor Rumble made motion to cancel November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting due to Thanksgiving. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor motion carried.

#### **Staff Reports and Requests:**

#### 4. Manager's Report

Steve Forrester, City Manager reported: the Iron Horse Lodge for senior housing received USDA funding for \$5,000 a month for senior rent assistance and we will respond to confirm that the city is interested; Josh Smith, Planning Director wanted to remind council of the land use code updates coming their way in December; Railroad Manager Matt Weiderholt is reporting that Envirotech has committed to 250 additional freight cars under their contract with ODOT for magnesium chloride; and Councilor Gail Merritt had a good visit with McCall Oil who participated in the Crook County Fair program auction as well as others across the state, and they had told her they had never experienced the support as they did from the students here in Crook County.

There were no further questions.

5. Crestcom Training Update – Steve Forrester / Cale Pearson / Manuel Martinez

Mr. Forrester introduced Mr. Pearson and Mr. Martinez from Crestcom explaining that they are our professional development coaches.

Mr. Pearson talked about the Crestcom relationship with the city starting in 2017 and went into the history on Crestcom including how many have graduated from around the world and nationally; the city has continued with their training to adapt with changing attitudes and behaviors; Prineville is ahead of most and it is remarkable to see; the staff continues to learn new skills and behaviors that they are able to apply to everyday situations.

Mr. Pearson provided background information about the JEDI training and that we came to a 2 year agreement for this process in developing the team and we will hit on a lot of JEDI training. Manny Martinez came in on this training with the city last year.

Mr. Martinez explained that every situation is a little unique and reached out to Jered Reid and citizen stakeholders to address the needs of our community; and the city recently completed conflict resolution techniques. We will be putting all of these aspects together to hit the right areas needed.

# 6. Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Update - Eric Klann

Eric Klann, City Engineer provided the background on why this plan became necessary from the early 2000's; how the hatchery fish were being reintroduced; and a judge ruling that you could not determine the difference between a hatchery fish and migratory fish in regards to fines for accidently farming the fish by conducting normal business. If successful the incidental permit would provide 30 years of protection.

Mr. Forrester added that this has been a tremendous task on the city as well as many other district partners. It is part of the ESA and took a lot in trying to finding compromise. The HCP is a huge effort and investment and was a great job by a lot of people.

There were no questions.

#### 7. Bowman Dam Update – Eric Klann

Mr. Forrester explained the effort that was made over the last couple of years for the Crooked River Act that was signed by President Obama to move the scenic boundary line that made room for a potential hydro power project.

Mr. Klann stated this effort went back to 2008 - 2009 when they started working on this project which is also a good project environmentally. Energy splashes off into the water and causes fish blisters on gills and scales and they can die. There is an Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) that requires passage over the dam for new projects which could cost \$250M and that makes the project not viable. We have had meetings with ODF & W over the summer and another recent

meeting to hopefully come to an agreement. They were asking for a lot of extra water for fish that would have hurt the irrigators. We are hopeful after the last meeting and might have a shot.

Mayor Uffelman added the Fish Passage Task Force was discouraging.

#### **Committee Reports**

Councilor Merritt talked about the Christmas in the Pines and that they have been doing this since 2013 and emphasized it was more important than ever for people to stay in their car to enjoy. It will open the day after Thanksgiving and go through Christmas Day. There will not be a Santa this year.

Mayor Uffelman read his email that he sent to the Council regarding their thoughts as he ends his term as Mayor, into the record for transparency. He explained that Prineville is changing and we need to be cognizant of that. There are more children in schools because of more jobs; more seniors, and he would like council to set aside some time to talk about the direction and future of Prineville. There are senior needs and services; an auto industry focused on electric cars and are there enough charging stations in town; are we prepared for the steps we should be taking; should we work with Parks and Rec for a community center with a pool. Mayor Uffelman asked Council to think about it and let's just have a conversation.

There is also Council training by League of Oregon Cities for elected officials coming up.

Mr. Forrester talked about relationships and the importance of that, and helping new council members.

Councilor Rumble said she would like getting more people involved and people wanting to have a voice and really hopes the new council can get more community involvement to find out what's going on.

Councilor Beebe thinks it would be a good idea and would like to have discussions with the rest of council and is excited to set something up for the direction of Prineville.

Mr. Klann explained how he expected this to happen after the new year, to discuss where we were, how we got here, what we worked on, commitments that have been made, and it will take some time and some thought.

Mr. Forrester added that perhaps a facilitator can focus on pulling out those items to make a strategic plan and the need to go through a strategic session to really look at this.

Councilor Rumble expressed a willingness to participate and agrees it would be best after the first of the year.

Mayor Uffelman stated that Councilor Papke said he would be interested in having a facilitator for this.

No other reports.

#### **Ordinances:**

None.

#### **Resolutions:**

# 8. Resolution No. 1463 – Authorization to Efficiently Minimize or Mitigate the Effects of COVID-19

Mr. Reid explained that this will remain with us through 2021 and we prepared the resolution in advance for consideration, in anticipation that there would not be a second Council meeting in November when this resolution is usually renewed.

There were no questions.

Councilor Beebe made motion to approve Resolution No. 1463. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. No audio from Councilor Hutchison. All in favor motion carried.

#### **Visitors Appearances and Requests:**

None.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

Councilor Rumble made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

#### **Motions and Outcomes:**

Motion:	Outcome	Beebe	Hutchison	Jungmann	Merritt	Papke	Rumble	Uffelman
Consent Agenda as Presented	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	-	-	Y
Motion to cancel November 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 Meeting Due to Thanksgiving	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Resolution No. 1463 – Authorization to Efficiently Minimize or Mitigate the Effects of COVID-19	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Adjourn Meeting	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	-	Y	Y

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