

City of Prineville

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REGULAR MEETING BRIEF

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City Council Meeting Brief November 22nd, 2016

Council Members Present:

Betty Roppe Jeff Papke Jack Seley Steve Uffelman Jason Beebe Gail Merritt

Council Members Absent

Jason Carr

Additions to the Agenda

Remove Item "D" under Staff Reports and Requests from agenda.

Consent Agenda

- A. Regular Meeting Brief 10-25-16
- B. Regular Meeting Brief 11-08-16
- C. Humane Society Thrift Store Second Hand License

Councilor Beebe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Visitors, Appearances and Requests:

A. Public Appearances

Teresa Rodriguez wanted Council to be aware of the recent accident at the O'Neil Highway intersection, and would like to research an alternative for traffic control.

No one else came forward.

Council Business

A. Planning Commission Appointment Recommendation – Phil Stenbeck

Phil Stenbeck, Planning Director presented the Planning Commission's recommendation to appoint Priscilla Smith to the seat on the Planning Commission vacated by Bob Spaulding. .

Mr. Stenbeck introduced Ms. Smith who answered questions from the council and provided background information on some of her previous civic activities.

Councilor Seley made a motion to approve the Planning Commission's recommendation to appoint Priscilla Smith to the Planning Commission. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

B. ROW Transfer - Eric Klann

Eric Klann, Public Works Director provided the background information, explaining this is left over right of way after reconfiguring Rimrock Acres Loop. Mr. Klann explained that he has contacted our insurance agent of record regarding the value which is \$700.00. It would cost approximately \$500 for processing which would be paid by the individual interested in it. Mr. Klann added that he has had to remove garbage from the strip of land a couple of times after a semi-truck had parked there.

Mayor Roppe asked council to drive out and take a look at the property before deciding, since it could be used for a sign or additional parking at the wetlands.

Councilor Uffelman stated that if transferred it could have a stipulation regarding the use that could run with the property.

Mr. Klann said that there is not a rush for this and he will wait until mid-summer to bring back to council for consideration.

C. Elk's Parking Agreement – Phil Stenbeck

Phil Stenbeck, Planning Director referred to the agreement. Mr. Stenbeck talked about the consultant hired to identify different parking options for the downtown business employees, and possible agreements. In return for the use of the Elk's parking lot through January of 2020, we are looking at installing solar powered lights at a cost of \$3,500.00.

Discussions continued regarding whether we are just hoping they will use it, enforcement of the parking ordinance already on the books, the Downtown Strategic Planning Committee members willing to have their employees' park there, and this being the first step in an effort to improve downtown parking.

Councilor Uffelman made a motion to approve staff moving forward with the parking agreement. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Staff Reports and Requests:

A. Manager's Report – Steve Forrester

Mr. Forester reported: he would like to congratulate staff, the Planning Commission and City Council on receiving the LCDC Starr award; the kiosks and benches are being installed at the wetlands; the apron project at the airport is complete and open for use; Officer Mark Monroe is here this evening for Chief Cummins; Troy Wiles will be sworn in as Sergeant on December 1st; annual audit is on track; the Safety Committee has been working with Saif; last Saturday was yard debris day with three 20 yard dumpsters getting filled to help with air quality; and there are two positions open at the city for a Finance Clerk and Public Works Technician with telemetry skills.

B. Iron Horse Update - Eric Klann

Mr. Klann introduced Amber Hudspeth with Farallon.

Ms. Hudspeth went through the activities that have taken place for Phase I, the ESA standards used for an analysis, and the level of education required to do reporting and make recommendations.

Discussions continued regarding CERCLA protection doing this analysis and the how long the protection lasts for, and liability reverting back to the seller.

Ms. Hudspeth continued through the power point that highlighted areas where samples were taken, location of the closed mines, recognized environmental conditions, allowable parts per million allowed depending on the proposed use of the property, 41 samples out of 49 did not detect any mercury at all, with the others barely detectable with the exception of one whose reading was still below the threshold allowable for the proposed use.

Discussions continued regarding possibly carving out a piece below the mines, the BLM's findings of not needing any further actions, whether or not a no further action (NFA) letter would be needed from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and if a bench mark or trend could be established if there is any mercury migration.

Mr. Klann stated we would want to try towards a NFA if needed, especially with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) tightening their standards more and more.

Ms. Hudspeth explained that another step is needed to ensure if any further action with DEQ would be even needed.

Kurt Schuller of Brooks Resources stated they are committed to work with city to partner on exploring all avenues in making this work.

Mr. Klann said they should do some more soil sample testing throughout the property at 10-20 different spots to see where they are at, and will cost about \$2,500.00 to do this.

Ms. Hudspeth recommended a soil sample in the agricultural land also just to be safe and will report the results to the city to see if there is even a need for DEQ depending on the readings.

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C. Railroad Update - Matt Wiederholt

Matt Wiederholt, Railroad Operations Manager had a power point presentation that highlighted the six different ways that the railroad generates revenue, the increase in number of customers from 2 to 43, occupancy rate is 75-80% at the depot, staff evaluating finances for railroad track maintenance program since there are 61,000 ties in the Prineville line and 6,000 were replaced in 2009.

Mr. Wiederholt asked if council would consider donating the caboose to Bowman Museum since it is historical and not used any more. This has been presented to the Railroad Committee and they are in favor of this.

Bowman Museum would like to have this as part of a major display by 2018 in celebration of the railroad's 100 year anniversary that year.

Councilor Uffelman made a motion to donate the caboose to the Bowman Museum Historical Society. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

D. Downtown Strategic Planning Committee Chair / Liaison Discussion - Phil Stenbeck

Removed from agenda.

Ordinances:

A. Ordinance No. 1227 – Granting Non-Exclusive Franchise to Crestview Cable (FIRST) – Steve Forrester / Carl Dutli

Carl Dutli, City Attorney talked about a minor change that was requested by Crestview from the ordinance available in packet. Adding the city has no problem with the minor change. If council agrees, this minor change can be reflected in the ordinance when it comes back the second time.

Councilor Seley made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1227 with language added as discussed for the first reading. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolutions:

None.

Visitors Appearances and Requests:

No one came forward.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Motions and Outcomes:

Motion:	Outcome	Uffelman	Carr	Beebe	Merritt	Seley	Roppe	Papke
Consent Agenda	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Approve the Planning Commission's recommendation to appoint Priscilla Smith to the Planning Commission.	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Approve staff moving forward with the parking agreement.	PASSED	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Donate the caboose to the Bowman Museum Historical Society.	PASSED	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ordinance No. 1227 – Granting Non-Exclusive Franchise to Crestview Cable (FIRST)	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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