



City of Prineville

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REGULAR MEETING BRIEF

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City Council Meeting Brief March 11, 2014

Council Members Present:

Gail Merritt
Dean Noyes
Betty Roppe
Jason Carr

Jason Beebe
Jack Seley
Steve Uffelman

Council Members Absent

None.

Additions to the Agenda

Item "B" under Council Business for Discussion on Medical Marijuana and Item "C" under Council Business regarding SDC Committee Volunteers.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Noyes made a motion to approve Consent Agenda. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Visitors, Appearances and Requests:

A. Public Appearances

Stella Ojay, Prineville resident expressed concerns for the length of time it is taking for the Chief Bush investigation.

Carl Dutli, City Attorney explained the overall process.

B. Central Oregon Trail Alliance – Darlene Henderson

Ms. Henderson introduced members of the COTA board that were present and went through a power point presentation on the proposed bike park. Highlights of the presentation included reasons considered to determine best location of the park, who would provide insurance and maintenance, and that it could be utilized by all ages and skill levels.

Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown, Executive Director of Crook County Health Department referred to the health impact analysis for the county and that this bike park could benefit the community. Ms. DeLaVergne-Brown stated that she is supportive of the park.

Richard Bonine, Crook County Parks and Recreation Director, stated that he agreed with everything Darlene outlined in the power point presentation. Mr. Bonine explained that ideally for grant applications it would be best to deed to Parks and Recreation, the next option would be a long term lease for at least 25 years.

Shawn Chartell, a Prineville resident, COTA Board member, and Scout Master stated that he is looking for an Eagle project for his troop and this would be a good project for them.

Council Business:

A. Bike Property Request – Steve Forrester

Steve Forrester, City Manager provided background information and invited Matt Wiederholt and Dale Keller to provide additional information for the Railroad Commission.

Matt Weiderholt and Dale Keller explained that the Railroad Commission approached their consideration as a financial decision and had declined to donate due to the financial condition of the railroad for the last several years. The Railroad Commission had identified some other options such as a land trade.

Steve Forrester, City Manager added that the Railroad Commission has responsibility to the railroad and understands that the Council has a responsibility to the community.

Councilor Uffelman said that the Council needs to respect the value of the land that was determined by the real estate agent of record.

Councilor Merritt stated that she has always viewed that piece of property as a good recreational use and is in favor of leasing.

Councilor Seley asked Mr. Bonine if the Parks and Recreation Board has made a decision on this proposal. Mr. Bonine explained that there really isn't a decision to be made until a Council decision is made, however the Board has given him authority to act as a proponent for this. Mr. Bonine added this is a piece of property that has been vacant for a long time and could be turned into a good community asset.

Discussions continued regarding leasing; how for years, the property has been vacant; there is not a need to use for storm water any longer; possible other uses of the property; and various grant conditions.

Councilor Carr said that as an economic development person, he could not see any economic value for this piece of property.

Discussions then focused on leasing and trading the property.

Councilor Noyes said we could do a memorandum of understanding as we have done with other city owned property with Parks and Recreation which has worked well. Councilor Noyes added that this is a memorandum of understanding not a transaction and the property would remain as a city assets.

Carl Dutli, City Attorney, asked Council to pick one of the options presented by COTA.

Councilor Noyes prefers option 3 to lease and will go to option 2 if needed in the future.

Councilor Merritt prefers option 3 to lease.

Councilor Seley, would prefer to see a trade proposal first, then option 3 to lease if needed.

Mayor Roppe agreed with Councilor Seley.

Councilor Beebe likes option 3 to lease the property.

Councilor Carr likes option 3 and it keeps the property on the railroad balance sheet.

Councilor Uffelman prefers liquidating the property.

Mr. Bonine agreed to work up a proposal for Council that would include both a lease and trade.

B. Medical Marijuana SB 1531 – Phil Stenbeck

Mr. Forrester provided background information on SB 1531 passed regarding medical marijuana and how cities can adopt an ordinance creating a moratorium to temporarily ban dispensaries. This would have to be done prior to May 1, 2014 and would allow the city to decide how to manage. There are also talks of marijuana becoming recreational.

Phil Stenbeck, Planning Director referred to his memo distributed to Council and explained that the city is planning a Council Workshop on this at which time more information would be provided. Mr. Stenbeck is looking for direction from Council to proceed with a land use notice to DLCD to proceed with a possible moratorium.

Councilor Uffelman made a motion to authorize notice to DLCD to establish a moratorium for Medical Marijuana Dispensaries. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

C. SDC Policy Committee – Eric Klann

Mr. Forrester explained that current policy for System Development Charges (SDC's) for businesses that are expanding or remodeling needed to be reviewed. The policy as it is right now, causes SDC's to be significantly high.

Mr. Forrester asked for two to three council members to volunteer to be on the SDC Policy Committee.

Eric Klann, City Engineer stated that if someone upgrades the meter size or something that puts additional demand on infrastructure that the higher SDC's make sense, but not a remodel or expansion.

Councilor Carr, Councilor Uffelman and Councilor Noyes volunteered to participate on the SDC Policy Committee.

Staff Reports:

A. Managers' Report – Steve Forrester

Mr. Forrester stated: the Police Department has been busy working with Chamber on sign codes; Tori Carlson is leaving to focus on being a full time mother and Sylvia Anderson has started today to take her place; there is a Downtown Strategic Planning Committee meeting on March 18th; the city wetland project will be going before the County Planning Commission on March 26th; attended a League of Oregon Cities (LOC) board meeting where the morning was spent on strategic planning; and Larry Patterson will be getting back with dates for the Council Strategic Planning meetings.

Councilor Carr wanted to remind everyone that the annual EDCO luncheon is on April 2, 2014.

B. Airport Update – Kelly Coffelt

Kelly Coffelt, Airport Manager provided a power point presentation that highlighted activity at the airport, fuel sales, and AWOS project update.

Mr. Coffelt added that there will be an Airport Master Plan update meeting in the next couple of weeks; and recently made a part-time employee Brian Way a full time employee.

Ordinances:

None.

Resolutions:

None.

Visitors Appearances and Requests:

No one came forward.

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2) (e) Real Property and ORS 192.660 (2)(h) Litigation at 7:58 P.M.

Meeting reconvened to open session at 8:22 P.M.

Councilor Seley announced that he had filed for the County Commission position.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Motions and Outcomes:

Motion:	Outcome	Uffelman	Carr	Beebe	Merritt	Seley	Roppe	Noyes
Consent Agenda	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Motion to authorize notice to DLCD to establish a moratorium for Medical Marijuana Dispensaries	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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