

MARCH 7, 2018

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order on Wednesday March 7, 2018 at 7 p.m. by Mayor Matt Brown. Present were Councilor Lorain, Councilor Jesse, Councilor Smith, Mayor Brown, Councilor Cockrum, City Attorney Peter Watts, City Administrator Chad Sweet and Jessica Parsons.

Mayor Brown mentioned we will add an additional 3-minute visitor section with the consensus of the Council. Council agreed.

There was no conflict of interest declared by any member of the Council.

ON MOTION by Councilor Cockrum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Smith to approve the minutes for the February 7, 2018 council meeting, MOTION was approved 5-0.

ON MOTION by Councilor Jesse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Cockrum to approve the Feb. 28, 2018 public hearing minutes, MOTION was approved 5-0.

Each member of Council was given a copy of reports from the Police Dept., Fire Dept., Planning Commission and City Treasurer.

Mayor Brown sat in on the Realtor's Association meeting and received some good feedback that home sales are on the rise in Gearhart and they also discussed Short Term Rentals and regulations. Mayor Brown mentioned the letter that came back from Herman Biederbeck of Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife and he asked if we wanted another public meeting to talk about the elk.

Councilor Jesse, Councilor Cockrum and Chad Sweet attended a round table style meeting with Dr. Rizzo from the Office of Emergency Management to discuss plans and ideas.

While visiting Cuba, Councilor Smith met with Senator Ron Wyden and discussed Cuba's economic situation.

Councilor Cockrum stated the CERT group has been planning the upcoming Emergency Preparedness Town Hall. Ms. Cockrum also attended the workshop and is working on Ms. Rizzo's suggestion to educate the public so they are aware of the difference between a distant tsunami and local tsunami.

City Attorney Peter Watts suggested that ODFW needs to define hazing of the elk in Gearhart.

City Administrator Chad Sweet reported:

- We made changes to the check detail report
- Important meeting dates to remember
- Speed zones on Gearhart Lane are in effect
- Emergency Preparedness town hall meeting April 7, 2018
- Ham radio station is 99% done
- Update on the Gearhart Lane Loop water main project
- The County signed an agreement with a company out of Bend Oregon for mass care sheltering in case of an emergency. It is a zero-dollar agreement for now and this group will come to our community to provide tents, heaters, kitchens and other needs This group has helped all over the United States and Puerto Rico.

President of the Gearhart Volunteer Fire Department Association Zac Plummer asked the City Council for permission to hold the Fireman's Ball on May 26, 2018. A MOTION by Councilor Lorain, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Smith for approval of the Fireman's Ball, MOTION was approved 5-0.

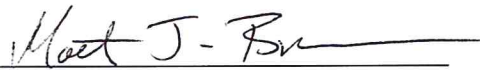
Skyler Archibald Executive Director of Sunset Empire Parks & Recreation spoke to the Council about the district and what services they provide. Councilor Cockrum questioned if Cannon Beach and Gearhart were to join the district would that lower the rates. Mr. Archibald thought it could because it has happened to other districts that have expanded.

Mr. Sweet advised that resolution no. 938 is a mutual aid renewal agreement for public works agencies to assist each other in case of an emergency. Oregon Department of Transportation keeps the agreement and Mr. Sweet recommended entering into the mutual aid agreement. ON MOTION by Councilor Cockrum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Jesse, to approve resolution 938, MOTION was approved 5-0.

Council discussed the performance review forms for the City Administrator.

ON MOTION by Councilor Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Jesse to approve the Gearhart Clean-up Day, MOTION was approved 5-0.

ON MOTION by Councilor Jesse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Smith to adjourn, MOTION was approved 5-0. Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

  
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Mayor Matt Brown

  
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Chad Sweet, City Administrator