

JULY 11, 2018

The Gearhart City Council meeting was called to order on Wednesday July 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Matt Brown. Present were Councilor Fackerell, Councilor Jesse, Councilor Smith, Mayor Brown, Councilor Cockrum, City Administrator Chad Sweet and City Treasurer Gail Como.

Mayor Brown advised we will be adding an additional 3-minute opportunity for visitors to speak, if the Council agrees. The Council agreed.

Councilor Fackerell noted mis-spellings of her name in the June 6, 2018 Council minutes. ON MOTION by Councilor Smith, 2nd by Councilor Fackerell to approve the minutes for the June 6, 2018 City Council meeting as amended, MOTION was approved 5-0.

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

Mayor Brown thanked everyone who helped with the 4th of July parade and the street dance and he read each of the volunteer's names. Mayor Brown mentioned there will be a Gearhart Gala on Sat. Sept. 1, 2018 at the Sandtrap with a band and dance party. Mayor Brown thanked the City Council and dune committee for all the meetings and work involved in passing the dune vegetation ordinance and advised the appeal period is over.

Councilor Smith filed to run for re-election.

Councilor Cockrum attended a CERT meeting where Chief Eddy did a review of smart triage. Ms. Cockrum also filed to run for re-election of her Council position 3.

City Administrator Chad Sweet reported:

- Bonnie Belden-Doney donated a painting of Bob McEwan and Poncho in front of the Sweet Shop.
- A donation of \$400.00 was made to Duncan's Crossing

- There is a City Council work session on July 24, 2018 at 7 p.m.
- There is a joint work session with the City Council and Fire Committee on August 21, 2018 at 7 p.m.
- The Mayor's plaque to honor all of the Mayors of Gearhart from 1918 – present.
- GHA also donated money and sold sweatshirts.

Kevin Leahy from Clatsop Economic Development Resources (CEDR) spoke to the City Council about its mission, programs and support from the City of Gearhart. He asked that the City donate \$3000.00 again this year. Mayor Brown stated that this year when we were budgeting we, inadvertently shifted \$500.00 from CEDR to another cause. Mr. Sweet advised we could move \$500.00 from celebration to CEDR for the full \$3000.00 donation. The Council agreed.

Randy Anderson spoke to the City Council about his program where he would purchase a wheel chair capable of accessing the beach and he advised that Paul Tice agreed to house the wheelchair and book the reservations. Mr. Anderson asked the City Council what they thought of the program and asked if the City of Gearhart would be willing to pay for the insurance approx. \$13.00 a month. The Council supported the program and agreed to pay the insurance.

Visitor Bee Bee Michel 661 10th Street asked the City Council to consider passing an ordinance prohibiting feeding the elk. (see attached)

Jeannie Mark P.O. Box 2627 questioned the cost of the wheelchair. Mr. Anderson estimated \$2600.00.

In your packet is the Dennis Conner engagement letter.


The City Council discussed the fire access road and agreed that a 24-foot-wide fire road be maintained by public works, fire department, home owners and volunteers.

Visitor Bill Corti 815 S. Ocean Ave. reminded the City Council that there still is an electrical transformer box that needs to be moved.

Councilor Smith questioned the Cities water rights and are we looking at any other water rights. Mr. Sweet advised we are Councilor Smith had concerns how the changing of city center planters was handled and publicly apologized to Deanna Moulder for that.

Councilor Cockrum had concerns with recycling issues and thought the city should consider banning plastic bags and straws. Ms. Cockrum also had concerns with double elk fence and opposed barbed wire. Mr. Sweet advised our fence ordinance prohibits barbed wire and also mentioned that Recology will be attending the August City Council meeting.

ON MOTION by Councilor Smith, 2nd by Councilor Jesse to adjourn the meeting, MOTION was approved 5-0. Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.



Mayor Matt Brown



Chad Sweet, City Administrator