



September 14, 2023

Mayor Kerry Smith and Councilors
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Re. Planning Commission. September 2023

The Gearhart Planning Commission met September 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm. All commissioners were present. Chad Sweet, Garrett Phillips, and Angoleana Brien were present for staff.

The Consent Agenda was approved.

Chad reported about the water rate hike, multiple code enforcement issues, the need for water conservation, VRDs being down to 68, and a \$100,000 grant to repair the sidewalks on the south side of Pacific Way from Marion to the stores. Three Planning Commissioner positions are up for renewal in December. Applications will be available online

Sgt. Brown dropped by and introduced Jeremiah, the new Gearhart policeman.

Garrett reported that at the October meeting, the commission will hear a request to convert a tennis court into a Pickleball Court. Gearhart, along with other Clatsop County communities, have applied for funding to develop a plan to address future housing needs. This would be completed in 2025.

Commissioner Schector asked about the hunting of elk on private property. Chad explained about damage tags.

Commissioner Frank asked about the large boulders placed in parking spaces in front of Gearhart by the Sea.

Visitors Comments: Concerns about speeding vehicles in Gearhart.

Public Hearings: None

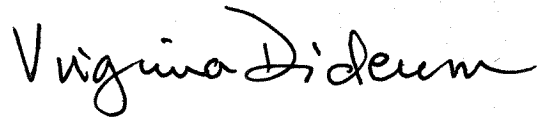
Unfinished Business: Discussion continued about the Landscaping, Vegetation & Revegetation and Tree Preservation Ordinance. The commission voted 6-1 to have staff write an addition to the current

ordinance that would require a city permit to remove any trees as defined by the ordinance. This will be presented at the October meeting, with a planned public hearing in November.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Virginia Dideum". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "V" and "D".

Virginia Dideum

President, Gearhart Planning Commission