

CITY OF GEARHART

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May 9, 2019

MEMBERS: Virginia Dideum, Stephanie Dudley, Terry Graff, Russ Taggard, Austin Tomlinson and David Smith.

STAFF: Carole Connell, Chad Sweet

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Gearhart Planning Commission for Thursday, May 9, 2019 was called to order at 6:00 pm by president Virginia Dideum.

On **MOTION** by Smith, 2nd by Taggard, Commissioner Anderson was unanimously granted an excused absence.

On **MOTION** by Dudley, 2nd by Taggard, the minutes of April 11, 2019 were unanimously approved.

The financial report as of May 9, 2019 was as follows:

Planning Commission expenses:

Year to date	3,737.78
Balance	9,262.22

Planning Commission Secretary expenses:

Year to date	16,002.26
Balance	13,997.74

On **MOTION** by Taggard, 2nd by Tomlinson, the financial report of May 9, 2019 was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORT

Sweet reported following the survey the council has decided to take the park off the possible fire station sites. May 14th the council and fire station committee will get together to talk about next steps with intention of a November ballot.

June 3rd there will be a Navy exercise landing an LCAC on Clatsop beaches the exercise will encompass planning for the Hazard Mitigation Plan and tsunami and resiliency response.

Graff asked about the spruce trees along the Ridge Path that are shedding needles. Sweet said the trees have been infected with Spruce Aphid's. To relieve the tree stress the roots should be soaked with water, trees can be treated in the fall with pesticides and fertilizer.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Tomlinson reported the synopsis from the Conservation Working Landscape Community is available if commissioners are interested they can contact staff to get a copy.

Graff reported on a news story regarding dollar stores saying they are the fastest growing stores in the country, bigger than Walmart. One town in Texas has 37 stores, they are putting grocery stores out of business and some towns are banning them.

GOALS LIST

Dideum mentioned reducing some of the items on the goals list.

Connell report CRG Resiliency Grant is still on track for completion. The Parks and Trails Master Plan Grant is due at the state May 15th.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

VISITORS COMMENTS

Tom Thies, 282 Woodland Avenue – he reported the spruce trees are beginning to bud out.

Jeanne Mark, P O Box 2627 – asked for an update on the Ridge Path extension.

She had a discussion suggesting citizen volunteers water the spruce trees on the Ridge Path.

Sweet reported the Ridge Path update is close to finishing off the application, there is help designing the bridge and there will be a meeting next week to put everything together and submit the application. He also reported so far no money has been spent from the Duncan Memorial Fund, the money will be spent on the path itself.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioners discussed the C-1 Zone outright and conditional uses exploring updated language and businesses with the addition of living quarters that meet present day needs of the community. For the next meeting they asked Carole to draft language for the C-1 zone changes based on their discussion. Discussion on *design guidelines* and C-2 Zone were continued to the June Commission meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None

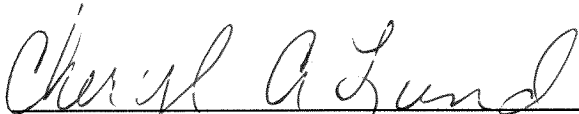
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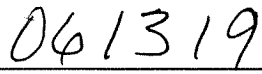
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QUESTIONS FOR LAND USE ATTORNEY

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.


Cheryl A. Lund, secretary


approved