

CITY OF DUFUR COUNCIL MEETING

March 11, 2014

7:00 PM

DUFUR CITY HALL

Minutes

Call to order: Mayor Smith called meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Attendance: Mayor Arthur Smith, Councilors: Jon Keyser, Jim Harger, Diana Austin, Richard Lyon and Merle Keys. City attorney Paul Sumner, City Public Works Superintendent Glenn Miller and City Recorder Darla Clifton were also in attendance.

Guests in Attendance: Cheryl Sonnabend, Jack Frakes, Shawn Lindhorst, Brandon Beachamp, Robert Wallace, Jill Macnab, Bryce Macnab, Cody Masterson, Stephanie Olson, Sean Egeland, Scott Austin, Sierra Gerber, Angela DeCeasar, Leona Egeland, Ginger Wagenblast.

Additions to Agenda: Mr. and Mrs. Macnab, Acceptance of Fire Truck and Building

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Merle Keys to approve the agenda as amended, second by Jim Harger, approved by all.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Jon Keyser to approve the consent agenda as submitted, second by Richard Lyon, approved by all.

Public Hearings/ Special Presentations – Mr. and Mrs. Macnab. Prior to Mr. and Mrs. Macnab speaking Mayor Smith recused himself due to his position as hearings officer at the initial compliance hearing. Merle Keys acted as chairman for this portion of the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Macnab requested a public hearing to be held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Dufur City Council, to be held April 8, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M. They would like to appeal the Mayor's decision regarding non compliance with the noise and nuisance ordinances. They also proposed a change to the nuisance order to remove the stipulation of roosters, but proposed that the noise ordinance remain as written to prohibit excessive noises. Attorney Sumner suggested they wait until the council made a decision on the issue pending. This is due to the possibility that the decision could bring about a repeal of one or both ordinances. Diana Austin made a motion that the public hearing be granted, motion seconded by Jon Keyser, approved by all.

Unfinished Business:

Valuation of City Hall building – Mayor Smith had obtained valuation of the building from the assessor's office, valuation at 79-80 thousand dollars. Diana Austin had spoken with Mr. Steltzer to confirm his interest in the building. He was interested, but did want some time to research the matter to follow up at a later time. Mayor Smith asked about estimated cost to rebuild in like size. Jon Keyser estimated costs at 350,000.00 plus the cost of infrastructure. Mayor Smith asked if council was interested in pursuing the issue. Jon Keyser proposed that we drop the idea at this time; Diana Austin was in agreement with Jon Keyser, stating that perhaps it could be looked into at a later date. Attorney Sumner suggested that a vote be taken, Diana Austin made a motion to dismiss the proposition, Mayor Smith seconded the motion adding that Diana Austin would inform the Steltzers of the decision, approved by all.

Proposed Event fee for general events (such as Cycle Oregon) Diana Austin voiced an opposition to the fee due to lack of disruption being brought to the city. Both Mayor Smith and Jon Keyser also agreed that a fee would not be in order. Leona Egeland stated that the cycle even was expected to bring apx. 2500 people in for 24 hours. Attorney Sumner suggested that we could talk with the event committee to let them know we didn't want to charge a formal fee, but that a donation would be appreciated. Leona Egeland stated that she is working on the event committee and she would be willing to bring the matter to the committee at their meeting on March 12, 2014.

New Business: Easter event donation for Dufur Recreation: Merle Keys made a motion to fund a donation in the amount of \$300.00. Diana Austin seconded the motion, approved by all.

Acceptance by the City of the Fire Tender Truck and the Fire Station as donated by the Joyce Miller

Owens Foundation: Council will schedule a public hearing on March 24, 2014 to a

Citizen Input: None

Ordinances and resolutions: None

Public Works Report – Glenn Miller – Glenn informed council that meter readings would commence this month, for the April 1 bills. He also stated that the employee evaluation for Brandon Beachamp was completed and reviewed by Merle Keys last month. He questioned if a step increase was approved. Council asked to add the reviews and increase to the agenda for the 3/24/2014 meeting.

Administration Report – Darla Clifton – Written report submitted, coding over open balance to owner’s name. Informed council of availability within the billing program, and explained current methods of collection. Paul Sumner will check for current state statutes on the issue. The recorder informed council that Darrell Newton from ODOT had stopped by to pick up the information to close the street grant, and that funding of the grant should be received in the near future. The recorder informed the council of the acquisition of a “Park Model” RV unit by the Dufur Recreation district. On discussion of this purchase with Jay Ashcraft from the park board and Dan Meader, it did not appear that the unit would comply with the city zoning codes, and would likely require a variance hearing with the planning commission. When all the information was available it is to be sent to Dan Meader for review and final recommendation. The recorder asked the council if it would be agreeable to “waive” the regular zoning fees for the hearing if it was required. After much discussion, it was the general consensus of the council and Attorney Sumner that in lieu of waiving any fees that may be required, that it would be better to donate the fee by issuing a check payable to the city to cover costs involved. This would serve for future tracking purposes if the issue were brought into question.

Mayor’s Report-

Attorney’s Report – Paul Sumner – Paul stated that he would be working with the recorder regarding meeting notices.

Commissioners Reports

- **Public Works – Merle Keys**
- **Administration – Diana Austin**
- **Fire/Ambulance – Jon Keyser:** Update on Fire Truck - Delivery of truck is still pending. Fire House – The City still needs to formally accept the donation of the truck and building.
- **Planning and Development – Jim Harger** – Jim gave a brief report of the planning hearing for the fire station, spoke regarding the agreement with neighboring property owners Mr. and Mrs. Rossel to install additional wainscoting and plantings

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:30



Mayor, Arthur Smith



City Recorder, Darla Clifton