

DECEMBER 5, 2018

Mayor Matt Brown swore in Kerry Smith and Paulina Cockrum. Both won their re-elections for City Council positions 1 and 3. They took their seats.

The City Council interviewed the Planning Commission applicants. Following the interviews, the regular meeting of the Gearhart City Council was called to order Wednesday Dec. 5, 2018 at 7:25 p.m. by Mayor Matt Brown. Present were Councilor Fackerell, Councilor Jesse, Councilor Smith, Mayor Brown, Councilor Cockrum, City Attorney Peter Watts, and City Treasurer Gail Como.

Mayor Brown asked to add an additional 3-minute visitor section if the Council agrees. The Council agreed.

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

ON MOTION by Councilor Smith, 2nd by Councilor Fackerell to approve the minutes for the Nov. 7, 2018 meeting, MOTION was approved 5-0.

ON MOTION by Councilor Fackerell, 2nd by Councilor Smith to approve the public hearing meeting on Nov. 7, 2018, MOTION was approved 4-0, 1 abstain.

Each member of council was given reports from the; Police Dept., Fire Dept., Planning Commission and City Treasurer.

Mayor Brown stated that during the meeting with the Mayors of Clatsop County they discussed a plastic bag ban, centralizing the 911 dispatch and hiring a code enforcement officer for the County to share.

Councilor Jesse advised that Seaside Providence Hospital held a gala to raise money for their emergency room expansion. They raised approx.\$230,000.00. It is really good for our community.

Margaret Marino P.O. Box 2353 spoke on behalf of a homeowner that applied for a dune vegetation removal permit and questioned why a permit has not been issued. City Attorney Peter Watts advised he will check on it.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brown, 2nd by Councilor Smith to appoint Austin Tomlinson to the Planning Commission, MOTION was approved 5-0.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brown, 2nd by Councilor Cockrum to appoint Virginia Dideum to the Planning Commission, MOTION approved 5-0.

ON MOTION by Councilor Fackerell 2nd by Councilor Smith to allocate \$6000.00 to purchase emergency supply storage, from the Hazard Mitigation Fund, MOTION was approved 5-0.

Councilor Cockrum followed up with a concern from last meeting. The tree cut down on the path leading to the estuary that does not meet the 50-foot buffer as written in our comp. plan. Mayor Brown noted we may need to word our ordinance so that it is enforceable.

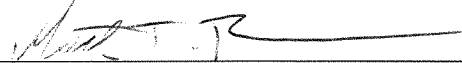
Councilor Smith had concerns with piles wood chips around tree trunks and blankets of wood chips that are not being removed from the dunes when the ordinance says to remove vegetation from the site.

Mayor Brown heard feedback about chip piles in three areas in the dunes. Mayor Brown will meet with Chad Sweet the enforcement officer.

Councilor Fackerell questioned what it takes to get a Parks Master Plan. City Attorney Peter Watts explained the process. The City would bring in a consultant, they would hold a number of public meetings and come up with concepts. It would then go to

the Planning Commission, then to the City Council, to the DLCD and to the LCDC. If it not appealed, it would go into effect. It is very expensive.

ON MOTION by Councilor Jesse, 2nd by Councilor Smith to adjourn the meeting, MOTION was approved 5-0. Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.



Mayor Matt Brown

Gail Como, City Treasurer