

## Fw: Former Grade School Property 1002 Pacific Way, Gearhart, OR 97138--Comments to add to record of the City Council Meeting February 7, 2024

**Bob Morey** <scofinz@aol.com>
To: Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>

Fri, Feb 2, 2024 at 3:11 PM

Hi Chad,

Appears that we have somewhat similar recollections.

If the Councilors want to acquire the former school building and 8.44 acres, we will be happy to discuss a transaction.

As I mentioned to you, unless we sell the property to the City, we expect to make the former school our 4 bedroom and we will continue working toward that goal.

I request that your response to me and this e-mail be included in the public record.

Kind regards,

**Bob Morey** 

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 2, 2024, at 9:55 AM, Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com> wrote:

Hello Bob,

Here is my recollection of the conversation.

You expressed interest in selling the school grounds and mentioned a ballpark figure of \$3,000,000. At the time, I conveyed uncertainty about the councilors' stance and offered to discuss the matter with them individually. The initial feedback from some of the councilors indicated that they found the proposed price to be too high. I recommended that you consider engaging in individual discussions with the councilors. In our subsequent conversation, I suggested the possibility of offering the property at a lower price.

Chad

On Wed, Jan 31, 2024 at 3:52 PM scofinz@aol.com <scofinz@aol.com> wrote:

Hi Chad.

Please add this e-mail as well as the e-mail chain below between us to the record of the February 7, 2024 City Council meeting.

I feel the community needs background on conversations between the Morey Family and the City of Gearhart. Mayor Smith's comments at the January 23, 2024 town hall regarding "approaching Bob Morey" about purchasing the former school seemed to have caught many of the attendees by surprise.

My recollection is that you and I met in your office in late-November 2023 and I let you know that we would consider selling the property to the City fo Gearhart. You were going to float the idea with the Mayor and Councilors.

When I returned to Gearhart in early-January 2024 we met again in your office and I asked what interest, if any, the City had in the discussing acquiring the property. My impression was that your discussions, if any, with the Mayor and/or Councilors indicated little or no interest. However, you suggested I speak individually with Kerry, Preston and Dana. I have not spoken to them or the other 2 Councilors.

Please confirm that your recollection of our conversations agrees with mine.

If the City wants to discuss acquiring the property, we are happy to listen.

Kind regards,

**Bob Morey** 

271 D Street P.O. Box 2757 Gearhart, OR 97138

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: scofinz@aol.com <scofinz@aol.com>

To: Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 18, 2023, 04:18:13 PM PST

Subject: Re: Grade School Property

Hi Chad,

I'll be in Gearhart on November 27th and 28th. Happy to meet with you and have a discussion. Let me know where and when.

#### Bob

On Friday, November 3, 2023, 04:38:00 PM PDT, Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com> wrote:

Bob,

A few weeks ago you asked if the city was interested in purchasing the school property. I'd like to speak with you more about the idea. Would you be available to meet within the next few weeks and have a discussion?

Chad

"Resilient Together!"

Chad Sweet | City Administrator City of Gearhart

# **Helping Hands Reentry Outreach Centers**

P.O. Box 413 Seaside, OR 97138 503.738.4321 | contact\_us@helpinghandsreentry.org 503(c)3 Nonprofit Tax ID - 27-1158468

January 22, 2024

City of Gearhart PO Box 2510 Gearhart, OR 97138

Dear City of Gearhart

Thank you for supporting Trauma-Informed, Data-Driven, and Person-Centered care for those experiencing homelessness in Oregon. Because of your support in 2023, we provided 90,306 bunks and 94,545 meals. We are excited to continue this work and look forward to sharing more about 2023 in our upcoming Annual Report, and to build on this work into the new year and until everyone experiencing homelessness has an opportunity at a sustainable life.

This letter lists your contributions for 2023. Pledges and soft credits are not included. If you made any inkind donations, we will send details in a separate letter.

Amount

**Deductible Amount** 

11/27/2023

\$5,000.00

Clatsop County

\$5,000.00

The organization provided no goods or services in return for the contributions.

Thank you for bringing **HPPE** to Oregon.

In gratitude.

Alan Evans

Founder and President

Mike Davis

CEO



### **Pickleball Noise Resolution**

1 message

Jack Healy <jack@artisancrafted.com>

Thu, Jan 11, 2024 at 7:23 AM

To: "mayorsmith@cityofgearhart.com" <mayorsmith@cityofgearhart.com>

Cc: "chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com" <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>, Suzanne Healy <Suzanne@artisancrafted.com>

Hello Kerry,

I'm not sure who to send this to, so thought to start with you.

I was one of the 40+ residents that sent a letter to the Planning Commission opposing expansion of the pickleball courts recently. I live close by and this has been a huge ongoing nuisance since the trend started a few years ago and has seriously affected our quality of life here in sleepy Gearhart. I am happy the recent proposal to expand into the second court was withdrawn, but I have two requests that I hope will be considered by the City.

Our request is that the City do something about this noise that is being created by just the one court. I have done some research and would propose the City of Gearhart consider the following:

<u>Limited Hours</u>. Pickleball is VERY loud and akin to noisy nuisances like leaf blowers (as an example). The City limits operation of leaf blowers to limited hours (I think 9 to 5?). There were several letters (including mine) that sought relief from the noise. Limited hours was mentioned in several of the letters and makes sense. I am hoping this will be considered as during the summer the courts were in full swing from early in the morning to 8 pm or beyond.

<u>Noise Suppression</u>. I would also propose that the City look into noise suppression solutions. One such solution I see being installed frequently these days is a soundproof acoustic fencing barrier like Acoustifence. That would alleviate a great deal of noise and from my research they are quite effective. Cities across the US are installing these to address the noise issue.

I hope that these suggestions are taken into consideration and acted upon. It would go a long ways towards getting back to the quiet place we once knew.

Regards,

Jack & Suzanne Healy



### Fwd: January Town Hall

1 message

Justine Hill <jhill@cityofgearhart.com>
To: Krysti Ficker <krysti@cityofgearhart.com>

Thu, Jan 11, 2024 at 7:46 AM

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From: goodmule@aol.com <goodmule@aol.com>

Date: Wed, Jan 10, 2024 at 7:47 PM

Subject: January Town Hall

To: councilorsmith@cityofgearhart.com <councilorsmith@cityofgearhart.com>

Cc: Reita Fackerell <councilorfackerell@cityofgearhart.com>, Dana Gould <councilorgould@cityofgearhart.com>, Sharon

Kloepfer <councilorsharon@cityofgearhart.com>, councilordevereaux@cityofgeart.com <councilordevereaux@cityofgeart.com>, Justine Hill <jhill@cityofgearhart.com>, Chad Sweet <chadsweet@cityofgearhart.com>

Kerry, I think you and I along with your attending councilors remember clearly the city's traditional town hall meetings...the city would prepare the fire station to provide an open and comfortable forum for our public to attend. Most importantly, these meetings were held after work day hours to facilitate a large attendance. In fact, our residents turned out in large numbers.

However, during the city's aggressive campaign to promote the fire bond, the term ....town hall.... meeting was conveniently restructured to be held on work days and during work hours only. Some of these limited town hall meetings were held outside the fire station with a limited amount of seating. Other of these meetings were held at city hall - again with limited seating during work hours. These meetings all had very poor attendance and be mindful, many voters today firmly believe this restructuring was done in order to limit attendance and inquiring questions all done for the purpose of avoiding a robust dialog.

Please accept this email as a formal request of the city to go back to our traditional town hall meetings with an actual agenda and with all hands on deck and available for answering all questions. Finally, I have heard you are personally censoring certain correspondence from the public record. If this is true. ... I hope you are sensitive to the poor optics that censoring projects to our village.

Anxious to hear from you on this matter and please consider this as formal city correspondence for entry into the public record.

Thank you!

Jack zimmerman P.O. Box 2480 Gearhart, Or.

Sent from AOL on Android

SOUTH COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

December 31, 2023

Dear City of Gearhart P.O. Box 2510 Gearhart OR 97138

Thank you for your generous donation. We are careful with the funds we receive since the need for food in our local community is continuous.

We are open two days each week providing food for those in need and also work with local police departments by providing emergency one day bags of food and water for transients and locals in our community who are asking them for food.

Thanks to contributors like you we are able to distribute food to approximately 1000 individuals each month. With your support and the support of the Spay and Neuter Thrift Shop we are also able to offer dog and cat food to pet owning clients. With your support we are able to operate a viable and professionally run food pantry.

The COVID pandemic is now much less of a problem but its disruptions continue. Combined with the homeless population increase, the need remains great. Without the generosity of contributors like you we wouldn't be able to assist as many as we do.

Received \$5000

Thank you,

**South County Community Food Bank Board** 

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