

MINUTES	SEASIDE CITY COUNCIL	JANUARY 12, 2009	7:00 PM
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CALL TO ORDER The Regular meeting of the Seaside City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Don Larson.

ATTENDANCE Present: Mayor Don Larson, Councilors Larry Haller, Gary Diebolt, Don Johnson, Tim Tolan, and Dave Moore.

Absent: Council President Stubby Lyons.

Also Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney; Bob Gross, Police Chief; Neal Wallace, Public Works Director; Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center General Manager; Mikaela Norval, Tourism Director; Cody Forsythe, Student Council Representative; Donald Allison, Seaside Signal; Jeff Nelson, KAST; Nancy McCarthy, Daily Astorian.

AGENDA Mayor Larson asked to move agenda item 13, comments from the public to agenda item 12 and also move agenda item 14, comments from the student representative to agenda item 11. .

Motion to approve the January 12, 2009, agenda as amended; carried unanimously. (Diebolt/Tolan)

MINUTES Motion to approve the December 8, 2008, minutes; carried unanimously. (Tolan/Johnson)

OATH OF OFFICE Mark Winstanley, City Manager, swore in Councilors Tim Tolan and Don Johnson.

Mayor Larson stated at the Council Meeting scheduled for January 26, 2009, Councilor Stubby Lyons would be sworn in.

CONFLICT Mayor Larson asked whether any Councilor wished to declare a conflict of interest.

No one declared a conflict of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA Motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$977,369.68; carried unanimously. (Haller/Diebolt)

VACANCY – LIBRARY BOARD Mayor Larson stated there was one vacancy on the Library Board with one application received from James Shipley. Mayor Larson asked Council what they wished to do.

Motion to appoint James Shipley to the Library Board; carried unanimously. (Haller/Moore)

Term expiration for James Shipley would be December 31, 2012

VACANCY – CITY TREE BOARD Mayor Larson stated there was one vacancy on the City Tree Board with no applications received. Mayor Larson asked the press to advertise the vacancy.

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION Council considered an application for a liquor license for The Stand at 109 N. Holladay. The applicant was applying for a Limited-On Premise Sales License.

Mayor Larson asked if there were plans to serve alcohol in the outside seating area.

Tami Saucedo, owner, stated there were no plans at this time to serve alcohol outside and if there was a decision to serve alcohol outside they would send a new application into the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) and build a new door with fencing.

Councilor Tolan asked if there was a liquor license at the Avenue ‘U’ Restaurant.

Mrs. Saucedo stated they did have a liquor license at the Avenue ‘U’ Restaurant.

Motion to approve a Limited On-Premise Sales License for The Stand located at 109 N. Holladay with no liquor being served outside; carried unanimously. (Haller/Diebolt)

ADOPT A PARK AGREEMENT Neal Wallace, Public Works Director, stated the City of Seaside had the authority to establish an “Adopt - A - Park Program” and there was a group that wanted to adopt Seltzer Park and the Cove and the group had agreed to volunteer under the assigned leader or contact person Chris Quackenbush to keep the park cleaned up. An agreement would be made and entered into between the City of Seaside and The Cleanup Set, sponsored by Shorebreak Contracting. The group would conduct park maintenance and cleanup activities and pick up litter no less than twelve time per year. Cleanup would include litter collection, raking, cleaning planter areas, sweeping pathways, and other designated tasks.

Mayor Larson asked if they would be cleaning up just Seltzer Park or the Cove area also.

Mr. Wallace stated the group would be cleaning more than just Seltzer Park.

Councilor Haller asked if there would be a scheduled plan of items to do to keep the park clean.

Mr. Wallace stated basically the work would be general cleaning and weeding.

Councilor Diebolt stated since the group would be in charge of cleaning up the park would the City still be cleaning the park or would that stop.

Mr. Winstanley stated the Public Works Department would be at the park on a regular basis doing the cleanup and the group would take on some additional projects but not the regular cleaning of the park and the bathrooms.

John Dunzer, 2964 Keepsake Dr., Seaside, stated he lived in the general area and there had been some issues before with the weeding of that particular park and noticed that was not part of the work statement. Mr. Dunzer further stated he wanted to offer help with the cleaning because there were people in the community that wanted to also keep the park clean and would be happy to join in with the group and help.

Mayor Larson stated Seltzer Park would be remodeled as part of the Hood to Coast donation to the City towards parks. The park would be new and easier to maintain.

Mr. Dunzer stated Mr. Gurian owned the piece of land next to Seltzer Park and he would be happy to donate the land to expand the park.

Motion accepting the "Adopt a Park Agreement" at Seltzer Park and the Cove between the City of Seaside and The Cleanup Set; carried unanimously. (Johnson/Diebolt)

**APPROVAL –
CONVENTION CENTER
CHAIR REPLACEMENT**

Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center General Manager, stated the Convention Center was recommending the replacement of one thousand chairs as part of the capital improvement plan. The center received estimates and sample chairs from the following manufactures. MTS for \$57,300.00, Clarin for \$64,500.00, and Virco for \$75,240.00. Mr. Vandenberg further stated the quality of workmanship, reliability, reputation in the industry, and warranty became the considering factors in making the selection. After making a detailed comparison, the convention center recommended accepting the proposal from Virco for the amount of \$75,240.00.

Councilor Tolan asked who made the final selection for the chairs.

Mr. Vandenberg stated there were chair samples that staff, clients, and different people tested and then gave their input. The Convention Center Commission looked at the three companies that were selected and reviewed the companies and made their recommendations.

Councilor Tolan asked how long the chairs would last.

Mr. Vandenberg stated the manufacture guaranteed the chairs for fifteen years.

Councilor Diebolt asked if the manufacture guaranteed the powder coat on the chairs for fifteen years.

Mr. Vandenberg stated the manufacturer would guarantee the powder coat and since the chairs would be stacked fifteen high at times they would triple coat some areas of the chairs.

Councilor Tolan asked if the cost of the chairs was budgeted.

Mr. Winstanley stated the chairs were being purchased from the capital improvement fund.

Councilor Diebolt stated he recognized the fact the chairs were budgeted but questioned the timing of the \$75,000.00 expenditure for chairs since the current economy and business atmosphere downtown was not good. Councilor Diebolt further stated he would prefer the City delay the ordering of new chairs until September, 2009, because of the perception of the public.

Councilor Tolan asked what would happen with the old chairs.

Mr. Vandenberg stated there were several organizations that asked to have some of the chairs donated and several businesses asked to purchase the chairs. The plan was to sell as many chairs as possible and then consider some of the donations and then sell the remaining chairs to a company in Portland.

Mr. Winstanley stated before the chairs were sold a written policy for the disposal of the chairs would be brought before the Council.

Motion to approve the bid from Virco for \$75,240.00 for new chairs at the Convention Center; with the following Roll Call Vote:

YEAS	MOORE, JOHNSON, LARSON, TOLAN, HALLER
NAYS	DIEBOLT
ABSENT	LYONS
ABSTAIN	NONE

COMMENTS – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Cody Forsythe, Student Representative, stated January 16, 17, 2009, was the annual Pacific Room Wrestling Tournament which had been held in Seaside for a number of years. The school would have the Barack Obama Inauguration broadcasted in the gym on January 20, 2009. Teacher, parent conferences were January 29, 30, 2009. January 15, 2009, the new National Honor Society members would be inducted and the first session of RSVP would be conducted.

COMMENTS – PUBLIC

Mr. Dunzer stated he had visited the City website looking for the agenda for tonight's meeting which of course was not on the website which was somewhat disturbing since three years ago there was a petition and the public was told the agenda's were readily available. Mr. Dunzer further stated he had to come to City Hall to find out the park in the neighborhood would be on the agenda. Mr. Dunzer further stated while on the website he looked at the Transportation System Plan (TSP) and was extremely proud of the City for the fact they were designing the Highway 101 plans. There were many alternatives that were being reviewed and the people working on the plan deserved a word of congratulations. There were actually things happening with the TSP and Highway 101 and Mr. Dunzer felt encouraged.

Mr. Winstanley stated the TSP work session would be Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at Broadway Middle School from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, and everyone was invited. Mr. Winstanley further stated the community needed to be involved in making suggestions and to see what was going on with the TSP and Highway 101.

RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed into Executive Session at 7:35 PM in accordance with ORS 192.610 (l) (i) regarding the annual evaluation of the City Manager, Mark Winstanley.

RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:47 PM. Mayor Larson read a summary of the Council's evaluation on City Manager, Mark Winstanley.

Mayor Larson stated with Mr. Winstanley's leadership, great staff, and Council there had been great master planning. Council was pleased with the size of the City and Mr. Winstanley's financial guidance to keep the City functioning and above board. Mayor Larson further stated Council really appreciated Mr. Winstanley's open door policy of talking to people any time of the day. Council was aware of the respect Mr. Winstanley received from the City and the community and Council appreciated Mr. Winstanley and thanked him for all he did for Council and the City.

Mr. Winstanley thanked the Mayor and Council who made his job very pleasurable and for all the support he received from the Council and Mayor.

COMMENTS – COUNCIL

Councilor Tolan stated there were two people who asked him why there was a cat at the new Library. One of the people said the cat was aggressive to their child and the other person said there was cat hair all over the children's part of the library.

Councilor Moore stated he served on the Library Board and if anyone told the members to get rid of the cat that would have started a riot.

Councilor Diebolt stated his wife could not go into the library because of the cat hair and there were many people who could not go into the library because of the cat. Councilor Diebolt further stated in one of the evening papers the new Oregon Laws were printed and one of the laws was about televisions and how they needed to be recycled for free at centers throughout the state and could not be put into the trash. Councilor Diebolt asked if there was a center in Clatsop County and did people know where the center was.

Mr. Winstanley stated he believed Western Oregon Waste disposed of televisions for free since the new law had gone into effect.

Councilor Diebolt stated last week when the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) closed Highway 101 because of high water there were signs posted on Highway 26 on the east side of the mountain and they still had the road closed 24 hours later.

Mr. Winstanley stated ODOT was getting ready to do a hydrological study and wanted to understand the water flow on the highway because if ODOT designed and re-routed the water and there was damage to property that currently was not affected by the flood, that would be an issue for ODOT. The study should give ODOT an idea of possible alternatives that could be done.

COMMENTS – STAFF

Mr. Vandenberg stated the first kickoff meeting took place last week with the feasibility study for the Convention Center. Strategic Advisory Group visited Seaside and had several meetings with hotel owners, business owners and elected officials which was just a start to a report they would compile. The group would be visiting Seaside a few more times to get more input.

Lori Oxley, Seaside Downtown Development Association, stated the association was busy working on the walking map.

Mr. Winstanley stated he was home for lunch and was watching the Channel 8 news when at the end of the news program channel 8 conducted a test to see if televisions were ready for digital. If the television was not ready for digital a banner would come across that would say the television was not ready and all of his televisions had a banner that said they were not ready for digital. Mr. Winstanley further stated he called Charter Communication and Charter assured him this was a soft test by Channel 8 and the televisions were ready for digital.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Kim Jordan, Secretary

DON LARSON, MAYOR