

**CALL TO ORDER** The Regular meeting of the Seaside City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Tita Montero.

**ROLL CALL** Present: Council President Tita Montero; Councilors Randy Frank, Seth Morrisey, Dana Phillips, Tom Horning, and Steve Wright.

Absent: Mayor Jay Barber

Also Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney, Dave Ham, Seaside Police Chief; Joey Daniels, Seaside Fire Chief; Dale McDowell, Public Works Director; Kevin Cupples, Planning Director; Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager; David Rankin, Division Chief/Operations; Chris Dugan, Division Chief/Prevention; and RJ Marx, Daily Astorian/Seaside Signal.

**AGENDA** Council President Montero asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Phillips so moved with a second from Councilor Morrisey; carried unanimously. (Phillips/Morrisey)

**INTRODUCTION – SWEARIN IN POLICE SERGEANT** Council President Montero asked Chief Ham to introduce the new Police Sergeant.

Dave Ham, Seaside Police Chief, introduced Sergeant Josh Gregory, swore him in, and congratulated him.

**COMMENTS – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** Lizzy Barnes, Seaside High School Student Representative, stated there was a lot of sports going on this week. There was no school today but there was a Varsity Boys Golf Invitational versus Astoria, Scappoose, and Tillamook at Gearhart Golf Links. Tonight Varsity Baseball played Astoria at home and Junior Varsity (JV) Baseball also played tonight. On Tuesday, Girls and Boys Varsity Golf Invitational at Marshfield, and Softball Varsity and JV at Scappoose. On Wednesday, Softball Varsity has a double header at Warrenton, and Baseball Varsity and JV are at Scappoose. On Thursday, there was a Girls Golf Tournament at Astoria and Boys Varsity Golf match at Tillamook and JV Track meet at Banks. On Friday, there was a Varsity and JV Softball double header at Banks and Baseball Varsity and JV at home versus Scappoose. On Saturday, there was a Track and Field Varsity Invitational at Willamette University, and a JV double header at home versus Newport. Ms. Barnes further stated this week was spring week and the ASB planned dress up days and free lemonade at lunch and an Easter Egg Hunt all week. This past Friday there was a Dodge Ball Tournament in Astoria to raise money for Doernbechers Children’s Hospital.

**COMMENTS – PUBLIC** John Dunzer, 2964 Keepsake Drive, Seaside, stated several weeks ago there was a young lady here from Pacific Power who had the Council ecstatic about the idea of joining the Sky Blue Program alternative energies so that the County could earn a \$4,000.00 solar panel. Mr. Dunzer further stated he just did a little work on the budget and the city used \$600,000.00 worth of electricity in the city. To join Blue Sky for them we would contribute an additional 10% or \$60,000.00. That money would go to Wyoming and this was a lousy idea. If you’re interested in spending money on alternative energy then get involved in these utility districts. Mr. Dunzer presented the City Manager with his comments on the Budget.

**CONFLICT** Council President Montero asked whether any Councilor wished to declare a conflict of interest.

Councilor Steve Wright stated he was on the Planning Commission for the discussion of 11a, and 11b and he was strictly involved in testimony and was not involved in voting and he asked to recuse himself.

**CONSENT AGENDA** Council President Montero asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda: Payment of the Bills - \$200,018.13; and Approval of Minutes April 10, 2017.

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Councilor Frank so moved with a second from Councilor Wright; carried unanimously. (Frank/Wright)

**VACANCY – PLANNING COMMISSION** Council President Montero stated there was one vacancy on the Planning Commission with three applications received from John Carter, Norman Brown, and Louis Neubecker who were all interviewed. Council President Montero further stated Louis Neubecker would need to be nominated.

Councilor Phillips so moved with a second from Councilor Morrisey; carried unanimously. (Phillips/Morrisey)

Council President Montero asked for a roll call vote:

MORRISEY	NEUBECKER
HORNING	BROWN
FRANK	NEUBECKER
BARBER	ABSENT
MONTERO	BROWN
WRIGHT	CARTER
PHILLIPS	NEUBECKER

Council President Montero stated Louis Neubecker was the new Planning Commission member.

Louis Neubecker term expiration would be November 1, 2019.

**VACANCY –  
BUDGET COIMMITTEE**

Council President Montero stated there were two vacancies on the Budget Committee with no applications received.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

This was the duly advertised time and place to hold a public hearing regarding an Ordinance of the City of Seaside, Oregon, Amending the Zoning Map referenced in Code of Seaside Ordinance Chapter 151 Changing the zoning at 2145 North Wahanna Road from SR to R-3

**ORDINANCE 2017-03**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP REFERENCED IN CODE OF SEASIDE ORDINANCE CHAPTER 151 CHANGING THE ZONING AT 2145 NORTH WAHANNA ROAD FROM SR TO R-3

Council President Montero asked Kevin Cupples to explain.

Kevin Cupples, Planning Director, stated individuals testifying are reminded their testimony and evidence must be directed toward the applicable criteria or other criteria in the plan or land use regulation which they believe is applicable to the decision. Failure to raise an issue with sufficient details to allow decision makers or parties an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals on that issue. As stated, this is zone change request 16-069ZC, a request to change the zone designation of the property immediately south of North Coast Family Fellowship from Suburban Residential (RC) to High Density Residential (R3). Mr. Cupples explained the Planning Commission held a public hearing to review the request on February 7, 2017 In addition to the applicant and his consultant, the Commission heard from a number of concerned property owners and interested parties. Following the testimony, the Commission continued the hearing to their March 7, 2017 meeting and again provided the public an opportunity to provide new testimony. After closing public testimony and deliberation, they recommended the Council approve the Zone Change request by Sierra Partners IV, James Folk at 2145 N Wahanna Road This would rezone the upland, suburban residential (SR) zoned portions of the subject property (approximately 2.0 acres) to high density residential (R-3). The zone change would allow urban density residential development in conjunction with annexation of the property that is within Seaside's current urban growth boundary. Staff has provided copies of the Commission's recommendation that was supported by findings and justification statement along with the applicant's submitted information and written comments from the neighboring property owners. Following public testimony, if the Council determines approve the request is justified, staff is recommending the following finding be added to the Commission's recommendation: "Although the initial thought was that sewer could be run to the Pine Cove Pump Station, where there is sufficient capacity to accommodate the additional flow; the downstream sewer improvements do not have sufficient capacity at this time to accommodate the additional flow from full development under an R-2 or R3 zone designation. Any change in zone permitting higher density development would be done with the owner's understanding that additional sewer infrastructure improvements will be needed before higher density development could occur. There was also information provided to the City Council for all Planning Commission meetings and decisions and all testimony received. There was also written testimony received from and added to the packet from Susan Romersa and Susan McDonald.

Council President Montero read: First, does anyone wish to object to this item on jurisdictional grounds? Hearing None. We will hear testimony in the following order: The applicant, Then other individuals in favor of the request, Then anyone in opposition to the request, Following the testimony, the applicant will be given time for rebuttal. All public comments are important to us and we want to be able to hear from everyone that wishes to speak. Individuals wishing to testify should: Sign the sheet at the desk by the entry way which indicates you plan to provide oral testimony. Persons may speak only after being recognized and must state their full name and address for the record. Testimony should be relevant to the issues at hand. Please avoid testimony that is immaterial or repetitious. Please be prepared to limit your oral comments to 4 minutes. We review written testimony in addition to oral testimony provided prior to and during the hearing. We generally afford the applicants some additional time if necessary to adequately state their case. Council President Montero asked the applicant to come up to speak.

Jennifer Bunch, PO Box 1455, Astoria, stated she was from Wickiup Consulting LLC, and was representing James Folk and Sierra Partners in this matter. We believe Mr. Cupples has provided a comprehensive analysis of the application and were here this evening to answer any questions. Council will notice in preparation of the application it was prepared on the maximum build out of the R-3 Zone which would be forty units and that is twenty units per acre. Ms. Bunch asked to reserve the right to provide a rebuttal to public testimony.

Council President Montero asked if there were any other individuals in favor of the request that would like to speak, and there were no others wishing to speak. Councilor Montero asked if there was anyone in opposition of the request.

Susan Romersa, 1410 Donnerberg Road, Seaside, stated she had an email letter that was given to Council. The letter stated: Susan Romersa has live at 1410 Donnerberg Road for 12 years. As I understand it, from Kevin Cupples, my property will not be impacted by a change of zoning if in fact the proposal by Sierra Partners IV a.k.a. James Folk is approved. At the first meeting, I asked if this proposed development would be targeting any particular demographic. My question went unanswered. However, there was much enthusiasm from the Council on the fact that this property/units would bring affordable rentals to Seaside's workforce. Then, I heard that Mr. Folk had been in touch with a resident who has a license for handicapped and disabled residences and he had asked her about licensing and proceeding to get a license himself to have such a residential community. This, I imagine, would give him steady income from the State of Oregon, is approved, and built. If this is true, building these units would NOT provide affordable housing to Seaside workers. I have been told (and would like confirmation) that rather than a wetlands designation abutting the proposed project, it is actually Nature Conservancy protected land. How would this affect building 40 units there? I would also like assurance that if this project is approved, that we would be able to keep Stanley Acres as our water source, tax and zoning code as it is now, and be able to keep our costly septic systems useable. We do not need the expense of changing over the City Water or to hooking up the Seaside sewer system. Which brings up the next subject: The Seaside Sewer System as a 12 year resident of my property, I have had the unfortunate experience of the deluge of stench coming from the Seaside Sewer plant during busy periods with tourists in town. Over the years, I personally have contacted the DEQ to inquire into this problem. I understand that the City has been fined for these problems. I know there is a new Public Works Director. But for the past 12 years, it has been so bad on some weekends that you could smell this all the way down to Wahanna and 12th. From what I was told, the night time surveillance was not done well and people just "had to live with it." Hence, the fines I would imagine. At one point, friends and I were on a kayak on the Neawanna Creek going north towards the estuary. The debris floating around the sewer plant had hundreds of seagulls overhead. We naturally turned around and went back south, but his should not be happening in a 21st century society. Now, if you had a hundred more people on a steady living basis to our fragile and underperforming sewer system, this will be a hardship on that system. I know the church has joined with the sewer system, but they don't have 104 full time residents there. If this housing project goes through, I would suggest to the Council that they charge the necessary upgrades to the sewer system to Mr. Folk and Sierras Partners IV to bring the system up to necessary standards to even consider this project - as a part of doing business. Another thing I want clarified is this: If this proposal goes through, to what extent will there be sidewalks. I live on the corner of Wahanna and Donnerberg . Will they be putting a sidewalk on my property? If so, will there be compensation for taking this land?

Dawn Miller, 141 Hilltop Drive, Seaside, stated she was at the last meetings looking for clarification and the first thing for clarification was the County Website plus she spoke to the assessor who stated the site was 3.75 acres and 1.91 of that was considered wetlands and her math comes out to be 1.84 acres. Trying to put forty units on 1.84 approximate acres does not compute to me at all. That is fundamental to figure out. The other thing was the testimony from the meetings prior, did Council get copies of those.

Council President Montero stated Council did.

Ms. Miller stated in re-reading the last submission was a path they would put in on the side of the river. Not sure where that path would go because her mother Billy Winsor owns both sides and owns the river side and acres adjacent to the property and she was looking for clarification on that. How would that affect the properties on both sides? Ms. Miller asked Council to consider an R-2 Zoning instead of an R-3 for the neighbors an R-2 Zoning was ten units per acre and would not be affordable housing. This land is in the flood zone and so the other concern was for her mother's acreage if that gets built up on that side then more flooding comes to her side. The biggest concern was that she had horses on her property and with possibly forty units coming in that fencing would not be compatible and where does the responsibility come from there. There were concerns about the wetlands and children going back to the wetlands. Those were concerns the Council should consider and this was a bit too much and to consider the R-2 Zone.

Donna Lyons, PO Box 825, Seaside, stated she lived in Warrenton. Not to be redundant however I know you have the testimony from before. Forty units on two acres was ridiculous and with the wetlands which limit the property. Recently there was a police standoff for several days with mental health and she realized this was a rough draft but do not see an exit plan with that. Affordability was another concern and in Susan's letter it talked about the vacancies. Wahanna Road traffic was crazy and trying to figure out how do you widen the road and add sidewalks. The sewer was more of a concern because of where the sewer would go. It would be better with an R-2 Zone but a forty unit place with the parking does not fit.

Billy Winsor, 2045 North Wahanna, Seaside, stated she was one of the two that received the notice. There were concerns about the Tsunami and now more people would be put down on a road that was already overburdened and would then be over loaded. How would that corner be emptied out when running because of a Tsunami, the schools are going up higher so why build lower. A lot of people who have lived in that area a long time would be displaced.

Ms. Bunch stated there were a lot of legitimate concerns heard but those concerns were not addressing specific criteria to the zone change. I will still address some of those concerns. It was important to know that seventy-five percent of those working in the City according to the 2013 Economic Opportunity Analysis lived outside City limits. It was beneficial for workers to live in the community they work in. There was talk about handicapped housing and it was not particularly legal for the City Council to decide whether or not this was handicapped housing and would be developed in accordance with the R-3 Zone if that amendment was approved. There were findings offered for the maximum build out which was twenty units per acre and the tentative plan was forty units. The sewer will be improved to the property prior to any construction beginning and will be a great expense to the property owner and the R-2 Zone was not feasible with the cost of the project. Any issues with the flood zone and the development will be in accordance with the flood zone ordinance. The property was in the Urban Growth Boundary and was intended for expansion in the City and until such time there is Urban Growth Boundary designated outside the Tsunami Inundation area the City needs to consider expansion into the current Urban Growth Boundary area. The proposed development was demonstrated in the applicants finding for forty units the traffic would be no greater than a conditional use under the current zoning. There was talk about five foot sidewalks and any development would require a multi use path in accordance with the TSP. The sewer would be expanded to this property and would not be extended to other properties and no other properties would be extended.

Councilor Morrisey asked to address the discrepancy for the 2.5 acres and 1.84 acres.

Ms. Bunch stated when you go on the County Maps and click on a property it tells you what the property acres is that is according to the tax lot that they have drawn on there and was for taxing purposes only. Prior to any development of this property if the zoning map amendment was approved we will have a survey approved and it would be in accordance of the R-3 Zone.

Council President Montero asked for Ms. Bunch to address how you would plan to keep people out of the wetland.

Ms. Bunch stated things like that could be accomplished by planting vegetation and natural native plants and fencing if we have to with signage.

Councilor Horning asked about the traffic impact 264 trips per day would be the maximum and once up to 600 trips per day was reached that would be an impact that would be significant.

Ms. Bunch stated the 600 trips was set by the Seaside TSP.

Councilor Horning asked if the 600 trips a day was the length of Wahanna Road.

Ms. Bunch stated that 600 trips per day was not the length of Wahanna but was per development.

Councilor Horning asked if there was a limit to how much Wahanna Road would be able to carry before serious impact.

Mr. Cupples stated because this proposal isn't being required to have a traffic impact analysis done based on the volume of traffic it's created. If you had other developments that did trigger that then you would have it evaluated and that would be part of the traffic analysis itself but Wahanna Road was not a capacity and he could not tell what the actual capacity would be.

Councilor Horning stated in regard to the proposed idea of what the subdivision might look like you have five structures, multiple family structures. There is large areas white space and midway down the length of the lot with nothing in it yet he was worried about impact near the lake. Would there be a way to pull the buildings and parking back and have a larger maybe common area near the lake.

Ms. Bunch stated that certainly is possible. Again this is just a concept or demonstration to show what the maximum build out would be.

Councilor Horning stated it was just hypothetical.

Ms. Bunch stated that was correct.

Council President Montero stated she would close the public hearing.

Councilor Phillips suggested that Council table this until the next meeting because this would give more time for more testimony as well as for Council to review.

Mr. Cupples stated for clarification is Council planning on opening this back up at the May 8, 2017, City Council meeting, for more testimony or are you wanting to leave the record open for written testimony. Council President Montero mentioned closing the public hearing and he wanted to make sure Council leaves it open or you re-open it.

Councilor Montero stated what she was hearing was to leave it open for written testimony and will re-open the public hearing at the next City Council meeting May 8, 2017, for verbal testimony and further consideration.

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, stated it would be advantages if the Council set a date for written testimony.

Council President Montero stated written testimony in the door by Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 5:00 PM, and verbal testimony can take place at the next Council meeting May 8, 2017.

Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney, stated Council should have a motion that this matter would be continued to the next hearing to be held on Monday, May 8, 2017, commencing at 7:00 PM. and that the record would remain open for verbal and written testimony which would close on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 5:00 PM.

Councilor Phillips so moved with a second from Councilor Frank; carried unanimously. (Phillips/Frank)

**PUBLIC HEARING**

This was the duly advertised time and place to hold a public hearing regarding an Ordinance of the City of Seaside, Oregon, Annexing Certain Property East of the City (Property located at 2145 North Wahanna)

**ORDINANCE 2017-04**

ORDINANCE 2017-04 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, ANNEXING CERTAIN PROPERTY EAST OF THE CITY (PROPERTY LOCATED at 2145 NORTH WAHANNA)

Council President Montero stated the annexation of the property is connected to the zoning of property and would also be continued at the Monday, May 8, 2017, City Council Meeting.

**LIQUOR LICENSE**

Council President Montero stated there was a liquor license application received from Osprey Café, 2281 Beach Drive. Council President Montero stated the application was for a Full On-Premises Sales License, and was for a greater privilege (the business currently has a Limited On-Premises Sales License). Council President Montero asked if the owner or representative was present and Josh Bokish who was the owner, was present for Council questions.

Josh Bokish, 2281 Beach Drive, Seaside, stated he was the owner of the Osprey Café. He was adding evening mills and wanted cocktails to serve with dinner.

Councilor Frank so moved Council approve the liquor license with a second from Councilor Phillips. (Frank/Phillips)

**LIQUOR LICENSE**

Council President Montero stated there was a liquor license application received from Tom's Fish and Chips, 1 N. Holladay. Council President Montero stated the application was for an Off-Premises Sales License, and was for an additional privilege (the business currently has a Limited On-Premises Sales License). Council President Montero asked if the owner or representative was present and David Endo who was a representative, was present for Council questions.

David Endo, Tom's Fish and Chips Representative, stated this would be a license to sell cans and growlers out the door. There was a Tom's Fish and Chips in Cannon Beach that had the same license and was asking for the same thing at the Seaside location.

Council President Montero stated she happened to go to a couple of restaurants during the weekend and could not find any restaurant who does, basically it's a package store you could come in and buy your beer or wine and leave and it was the understanding with the people I spoke to who are in the industry in Seaside that there is only two places in Seaside that you could do that and both were taverns the Bridge Tender and the Beach Club. Council President Montero did not understand the reasoning behind having this ability when there was a little grocery store two blocks away and for me it's an interesting concept for a restaurant. Council President Montero asked if Mr. Endo could help her understand that.

Mr. Endo stated he would explain as he understands it but was not the owner and was a manager of the restaurant. In Cannon Beach there are a couple of restaurants that sell growlers at the door and we also sell them at our restaurant. A person can fill the growlers and leave the doors with them and some of the drafts they like to drink you can't get in cans and a growler would be filled to sell to those customers.

Councilor Phillips asked Chief Ham what he thought about the license.

Chief Ham stated he has seen this in many types of restaurants and most of them being a brewery type of restaurant where growlers are being sold.

The one difference between Cannon Beach and Seaside is that in Cannon Beach there is not an ordinance on the books which means they can walk downtown with open seals and open containers and that would be paid attention to closely that people aren't just leaving there with them open.

Councilor Morrissey stated it looks like the Seaside Police Department did a thorough investigation and there was nothing here that disqualifies them from obtaining a liquor license.

Councilor Morrissey moved to approve it with a second from Councilor Phillips; carried with Montero opposed. (Morrissey/Phillips)

**PRESENTATION –  
SEASIDE GOLF  
COURSE**

Council President Montero asked if Phillips Warmbrodt was at the meeting for his presentation.

Phillips Warmbrodt was not at the meeting to speak to Council regarding his presentation and was removed from the agenda.

**ANNUAL REPORT –  
SEASIDE FIRE  
AND RESCUE**

Joey Daniels, Seaside Fire Chief, stated 2016 was another record setting year for call response with 1329 calls for service, an increase of 73% since 2008 and an increase of 15% since 2015. The department averaged 33 volunteers throughout the year. We were also very active with prevention, inspections, investigations, trainings, meetings, and the lifeguard program. In 2014 we implemented three new software programs- Active 911, Emergency Reporting, and Enroute Pro. Throughout 2015 and 2016, we continued to expand the use of these programs, allowing us to be more efficient and accounting for better tracking of personnel, equipment, engine maintenance, statistics, and day to day operations. In the latter part of 2016, we introduced Active 911 and Emergency Reporting to other interested Clatsop County Fire Departments and assisted them with implementation and training. In July 2016, Seaside Fire and Rescue implemented a part time program. This program was opened to Seaside Fire & Rescue Volunteers, providing station coverage all 7 days each week. The intent was multi-fold: to provide faster service for Medical, Fire and Rescue calls; to provide additional training opportunities for Volunteers and to increase familiarization of equipment, apparatus, and Medical gear. The program has been a huge success and has resulted in increased efficiency and faster call response. At our Annual Banquet, we celebrated milestone events for Years of Service for Matt Keefer (5 years) and Mike Smith (25 years). Additionally, we celebrated the retirement of Colin Houston with 25 years of service. The Fire Officer of the Year, which is voted on by all the firefighters, was Division Chief Chris Dugan. The Firefighter of the year, voted on by all the fire officers was Firefighter Cesar Alcalá. The Emergency Medical Provider of the year was Firefighter Doug Roberts. It is a privilege as the Fire Chief to be able to work with career and volunteer staff that are highly devoted to their community. Without these dedicated Men and Women of Seaside Fire & Rescue we would be unable to provide the exceptional 24 hour a day level of service to both our citizens and tourists. On behalf of Seaside Fire & Rescue, I would like to thank the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, City Staff, and the citizens for your continued support, and for allowing us to present this report to you. Chief Daniels presented response statistics, call volume with incidents 2006-2016, volume percentages over 10 years, 2016 incident types, and 2016 annual call ratio.

David Rankin, Division Chief/Operations, stated Seaside Firefighters continued to maintain and build on their skills during 2016 and we kept our regular Wednesday night trainings scheduled as "Single Company drills". Often 3 to 5 different drills during a training event allow more "hands on" training for our personnel. Our training was divided into themed trimesters in 2016. The first trimester is focused on mobile water supply (smoothly moving large amounts of water to a fire scene in areas without the protection of fire hydrants), preparing for wildland season, vehicle extrication, and spending time working as a team and individual companies. The second trimester is for Engine Operations. This is basically putting the wet stuff on the red stuff. Engine Operators work on supplying water, taking hydrants, and drafting. Firefighters practice skills like advancing hose effectively, fire attack, utilizing ropes, conservation of property, and overhaul. We also take advantage of more daylight to practice scenarios. Lastly, the third quarter was set aside for truck operations. In this quarter Aerial Operators practice their placement and maneuvers. Firefighters practice skills like working off the aerial, ground ladder placement, search & rescue, and ventilation. The following will help you distinguish the chain of command on the fire ground: Black Helmet: Firefighter-in-Training. All of our personnel complete the required NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) and OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) training before they can respond to incidents. These probationary firefighters are still lacking in experience however. Yellow Helmet: The line firefighter is the backbone of the department. They are competent personnel who show strength at the individual level, and especially at the group level. Red Helmet: Company Level Officer. May lead a team, provides direction, and turns tactics into tasks. White Helmet: Chief Officer. Few are found on a scene, usually at the command post or acting as a safety officer. Division Chief Rankin presented a list of certifications obtained in 2016 and further stated Firefighter I. Firefighters are the task oriented backbone of our Fire Department.

Any and every person with the designation of firefighter is expected to carry out all minimum functions involved in the fire service. Firefighter 2. Senior Firefighters traditionally have years of experience, additional training, and may have degrees in fire science. Firefighter 2's often lead crews and can be relied on for their experience and knowledge. The Apparatus Driver/Operator class is a 16 hour classroom and hands-on training on how to properly and safely inspect, drive, and operate the large and complicated apparatus that fire departments use to conduct operations. Prospective driver/operators must then complete numerous hours of driver's training to get certified. All drivers in the department must complete yearly refresher training. A Pumper Operator is a specialty certification that Drivers receive after an additional 32 hour classroom/hands-on training learning how to properly run engines to supply fire firefighters with the correct amount of water pressure and gallons per minute to safely and effectively put out a fire. This is one of the hardest certifications to truly master, requiring knowledge on such things as theories, pump mechanics, friction loss and gain, operating nozzles at the correct pressure, and running multiple attack and supply lines. Aerial Operators are an elite group of Apparatus Operators who can effectively run the ladder truck at fires and place it allowing firefighters to work off of the ladder or rescue victims in a building where our ground ladders may not reach. The Aerial operator class is an additional 24 hours of classroom and hands on training after a firefighter has been a certified Driver and Pumper Operator. All Seaside Firefighters are trained to the level of Hazardous Materials Responder. HazMat Responders are trained in the proper response to hazardous materials incidents. Like always, the protection of life is the top priority, however the environment now requires deeper consideration. The Responder often sets up the initial perimeter, identifies the suspect chemical, and initiates the response of the HazMat Team. The HazMat Responder, if requested, will then assist with establishing a decontamination area for the HazMat Team. Seaside Firefighters have spent the last three years putting a major emphasis on wildland training and equipment. In 2015 we responded to two major wildland incidents in Oregon; the Cornet Fire in Baker City and the Grizzly Bear Complex in Troy. We provided overhead staff, initial attack, mop-up, and structural protection to these communities. We would not have been able to provide this service without the continuing education and training of our personnel. The 2016 fire year did not provide any opportunities for Seaside Fire and Rescue to assist outside agencies although we did keep busy responding to numerous fires in our local area. Seaside Fire and Rescue continued to actively participate with other Clatsop County Fire agencies in groups such as the Clatsop County Fire Training Committee, Clatsop Fire Investigation Team, Clatsop County High Angel Team, Hazmat 11, Clatsop County Firefighters Association, and the Clatsop County Fire Defense Board. These groups allow the different departments to get together to standardize how we work together, purchasing of equipment, funding training, prevention programs, and allow firefighters from different agencies to familiarize themselves with each other. Our joint Training Association with Gearhart Fire Department continues to grow and facilitate more realistic training for our firefighters in such areas as Rescue, Firefighting, and Classroom Knowledge. We have developed a number of training props that we are able to rent out for use at the training facility by other departments. At times other departments have taken these props to their own station for training.

Chris Dugan, Division Chief/Prevention, stated remember Initial Attack Starts With Fire Prevention: The Prevention Division of Seaside Fire & Rescue is committed to providing our citizens and visitors a safer place to live, work, and visit. To accomplish this mission, the Prevention Division is involved in a variety of activities such as an inspection program for businesses, a juvenile fire setter intervention program, fire investigation of all department fires, pre-fire planning of target high risk commercial structures, fire extinguisher education for the community, fire safety education for children, and general safety programs for adults. Fire Investigations: Seaside Fire & Rescue investigates all fires to determine cause and origin, and may be assisted by members of the Clatsop County Fire Investigation Team. Seaside Fire & Rescue had a total of 57 fires in 2016 with a total dollar loss of approximately \$218,900. Of the properties with dollar loss, there was approximately \$4,683,000 in pre-incident value. The most noteworthy losses were at 381 S Edgewood on July 29, 2016. The 2 alarm apartment fire displaced at least 13 people and caused over \$110,000 loss. Additionally over fifteen cats were saved, while five cats perished. Cause of the fire was determined to have come from a base board heater that was accidentally turned on when power was disconnected. A 2 alarm fire was reported on the early morning of July 18, 2016 at 981 Avenue F. The fire started in a vacant garage and rapidly spread to a neighboring house. There was also damage to another home and 2 recreational vehicles. Total loss was close to \$90,000. The cause of the fire was undetermined, but suspected to be transient related. The information discovered from investigations may be forwarded to police agencies for criminal investigation. Information discovered may also aid fire prevention efforts by discovering problem areas; these may require corrective educational efforts or enforcement in order to prevent similar incidents from occurring in the future. In 2016, the Prevention Division conducted an estimated 233 fire and life-safety inspections in businesses, schools, daycares, churches and assisted care facilities. From those inspections 103 violations were noted, resulting in 32 re-inspections, bringing the total of inspections to 135. Seaside City Ordinances, Oregon Fire Code, and the National Fire Code are used as standards in conducting inspections. Inspections allow Seaside Fire & Rescue to ensure compliance to local and national standards, as well as increase our familiarity with pertinent information such as building construction, utility shutoff locations, and potential hazards associated with a particular occupancy. Fire officers meet once a month to tour high risk businesses and occupancies. These visits assist our officers first arriving at a scene to become accustomed to access locations, building construction, alarm systems, sprinkler locations, and utility shutoffs. The information found in these tours greatly helps our officers with addressing issues in a swift and timely manner.

In 2016 Seaside Fire & Rescue continued to develop and enhance an electronic data base program on commercial and high risk buildings in our response area. Public education is viewed as an ongoing process that occurs informally as well as formally. All staff and volunteers stress the importance of living, working, and playing safely as we interact with the community in day to day operations. Walk-in tours of the fire department sets an excellent stage for department personnel to emphasize good safe practices for all ages. Seaside Fire & Rescue schedules appearances and presentations at schools, churches, community centers, assisted living facilities, as well as private businesses. Seaside Fire & Rescue participated in the Seaside Safety Fair, held in May hosted by North Coast Safe Kids, Seaside Police Department, United States Coast Guard, Clatsop County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, Northwest Natural Gas and Medix Ambulance Service. Car seat technicians inspected and installed many car seats. Numerous families from the Seaside area participated in everything from crosswalk safety, bike safety, and fire safety in the home. In August, Seaside Fire & Rescue personnel were on hand at the National Night Out celebration to answer any questions about fire safety. Personnel were represented at both Quatat Park and Broadway Park, handing out fire prevention literature and giving tours of fire apparatus to adults and children. Our appearance was enjoyed by many citizens and tourists. Division Chief Dugan further stated on December 12, 2016, Seaside Fire and Rescue hosted a Sensory Friendly open house at their station. For two hours, Seaside firefighters welcomed families and their children that have sensory processing difficulties, autism, or other conditions to tour the fire station in a non intrusive atmosphere. The idea of hosting such an event came about when one of Seaside's firefighters brought his autistic child down to hang out with firefighters on duty. In his visit firefighters discovered it was challenging to work or communicate with the child in an atmosphere that was sensitive to him. After a little research, firefighters learned that they needed to make a few adjustments around the station. First off, they had to regulate the noise around the station. Dispatch was notified to make emergency calls through the radio and that the radio's volume needed to be turned down during the open house. Apparatus used for responses would be staged outside away from where the tour was to take place. When a call was dispatched for an emergency, the apparatus when leaving would wait to turn on warning devices. Many of the lights at the station needed to be turned off or down. The ladder truck extended out its ladder for the presentation before any families arrived to help minimize noise. There were no flashing lights and no equipment running while the families were in the station for the open house. Different areas around the station were set up for different activities. One activity was the EMS station, where firefighters explained why vital signs were taken during a medical emergency. As firefighters practiced with the kids, parents explained to firefighters the best way to approach and interact with special needs children. This helped both families and firefighter learn from each other's actions. Additionally, one firefighter dressed in full turnout gear, while another explained each piece of equipment used. Kids could hear him breathe while in his SCBA. Before he took his gear off, the firefighter gave each child enough time to come to him (if the child was comfortable) to touch and feel his gear. Again, this helped both families and firefighter learn from each other's actions and reactions. Seaside Fire and Rescue is already planning a similar event for next December.

Division Chief Rankin the mild winter of 2015 led to a number of rescues involving injured or lost hikers on Saddle Mountain and the Tillamook Head trail. These rescues involved a lot of time (up to 9 hours or more), energy (carrying medical equipment and stokes), technique (rope rescues) and innovation (finding lost hikers using the GPS on their cell phones). Seaside Fire & Rescue has partnered with Cannon Beach Fire and Rescue as well as the Coast Guard for assistance. 2016 seemed to pick up where 2015 left off with more Saddle Mountain and Tillamook Head trail rescues. We were able to partner with the State Forestry Department and Campbell Group to clear a drivable path by the Cell Towers, allowing us to reach the top of the Tillamook Head trail. Seaside Fire & Rescue participates in the Clatsop County Fire Service Mutual Aid Agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to maintain a system of predefined response to large scale incidents within Clatsop County as well as possible mobilization outside Clatsop County.

Chief Daniels stated in 2016, Seaside Fire & Rescue provided aid to outside agencies for 14 incidents and received aid from outside agencies for 14 incidents. These responses included Wildland, Structural and Search and Rescue. Our lifeguards are highly trained professionals who serve as ambassadors of the City of Seaside to the visitors of our beach. Each one of our Lifeguards maintain high standards in: Ocean rescue skills, prevention, physical fitness, courtesy, training, and professional appearance. The Beach Lifeguards focus on preventing incidents before they occur through a proactive approach of communicating with water goers early on informing them of potential dangers. In 2016 we increased Rip Current awareness with the addition of signs to warn of dangerous areas. The Beach Lifeguards promote safety through interaction with the public, recognizing a potential emergency before it occurs and making positive changes, assisting persons with questions about the city, providing help to people with special challenges on navigating the sand from the promenade to the beach, and rescuing persons in imminent danger from the Ocean. Lifeguards currently have two options to enter the water for a rescue, via 3 of our custom built Rescue Boards, or with fins and a rescue tube.

**DONATION –  
JEWEL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

Dale McDowell, Public Works Director, stated last year there were changes made to the Water Treatment Facility by reducing the size of their polymer tank. With the new design changes, we now have a surplus 1,000 gallon Polymer Tank that Jewell School District has expressed interest in and they would like the tank for their Water Treatment Facility.

Mr. McDowell further stated he recommended to Council they approve the donation of the tank at no cost to the Jewell School District #8 for their Water Treatment Facility.

Councilor Frank so moved Council approve the donation with a second from Councilor Morrisey. (Frank/Morrisey)

**VACANCY –  
PARKS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

Council President Montero stated there were three vacancies on the Parks Advisory Committee with three term expirations from Jason Boyd, Norman Brown, and Mary Blake. Council President Montero further stated Council would leave the vacancy open.

**COMMENTS –  
CITY STAFF  
AND OTHERS**

Chief Ham stated he was excited to have Sergeant Gregory with the department. Also Tuesday, May 2, 2017, was the DPSST recognition of Sergeant Goodding and they would add his name to the wall. The week after was National Police Week in Washington DC and there would be three delegates going from the department.

Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager, stated this week the convention center had a mental health organization until Wednesday, and then the Elks Convention comes in Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Mr. Cupples stated the Safety Fair was on Saturday, May 6, 2017, at the Seaside Elementary School.

Mr. McDowell stated Sunday he was working with some of the youngest volunteer's second and third grade girl scouts who helped plant trees at the Sewer Treatment Plant on the banks. There were 140 trees that were planted.

Mr. Winstanley stated there was a good transportation meeting last week with quite an audience that participated quite a bit. There was a Budget Committee meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2017, 6:00 PM.

**COMMENTS – COUNCIL**

Councilor Horning stated great presentation by the fire department.

Councilor Frank stated shining department and was unique because our town was 6,000 but grew to 40,000 plus and how do you expand the fire department that many months.

Councilor Phillips stated kudos to the fire department.

Councilor Wright congratulated Lou for Planning Commission and the other two candidates there were other vacancies to apply for in place. Councilor Wright stated he was looking forward to the Budget meeting. Councilor Wright further stated he was very pleased with Chief Daniels and the fire and rescue which was amazing. He had a nice lunch with Chief Daniels and he would get a chance to meet all the other department heads the same way. One final for History and Hops this Thursday night and one of our long time resident historians Gloria Linkey will be updating us on Seaside's History.

Councilor Morrisey stated the fire department did a good job and congratulations to Lou.

Council President Montero stated she did not think most people who live in Seaside think twice about the fire department and realize how lucky we really are.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:52PM.

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Kim Jordan, Secretary

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TITA MONTERO, COUNCIL PRESIDENT