

CALL TO ORDER	The Regular meeting of the Seaside City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Barber.
ROLL CALL	<p>Present: Mayor Jay Barber; Council President Steve Wright; Councilors Tita Montero, David Posalski, Dana Phillips, Randy Frank and Tom Horning.</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Also, Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney; Jon Rahl, Assistant City Manager; Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager; Joshua Heineman, Director of Tourism Marketing Visitors Bureau; Kevin Cupples, Planning Director; Esther Moberg, Library Director; and Kim Jordan, City Recorder.</p>
AGENDA	<p>Mayor Barber stated I'll entertain a motion to approve the agenda as circulated.</p> <p>Councilor Frank so moved with a second from Councilor Phillips; carried unanimously. (Frank/Phillips)</p>
PROCLAMATION	<p>Mayor Barber stated he had the privilege to read the Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month.</p> <p>Mayor Barber read the Proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month.</p>
COMMENTS – PUBLIC	<p>Mayor Barber stated at this time, I'm going to open the floor for public comments. Our policy here is that we allow and invite the citizens to come and speak to the Council. Identify yourself, give your name, your address, and please keep your comments to within four minutes. If anyone would like, to comment on any item, not on the agenda tonight. If anybody would like to address the Council. If so the microphone is right in the middle. Please come. Pastor, I think you're going to introduce.</p> <p>Daniel Baker, Lighthouse Christian Church Pastor, stated thank you for having me here. I'm a pastor here at lighthouse Christian Church, just outside of Seaside. My home address is actually in Warrenton, 86916 Manion Drive in Surf Pines. I feel just as many citizens in our County, Seaside is kind of one of our hubs and, our church, membership as well as myself care deeply about this community. The reason that I wanted to come to you guys is I just wanted to basically introduce myself just to let you know that, Lighthouse Christian Church is at the disposal of the city. We want you all to know that we are here to help. We don't want to just be a figure in the community when someone comes to see churches in a community. We want everyone to know that we are here for the community and we are lending a hand to the community and serve the community any way that we possibly can. That's been my goal since I've been here, I moved here in May of 2019. I'm an Oregon person. I've come up from Grants Pass, Oregon down there. I was very, involved in the community of Grants Pass. And, I think some of the things that I got to learn with child abuse, prevention, foster care, homelessness, and the like, and then the great things about the community, you know, fireworks and all the good stuff that we get to offer and parades. We just want to be a part of all of it. And we want you all to know that our church wants to be a liaison to the rest of the community with you guys and lending a hand. If you need volunteers helping clean up city projects, anything you guys might be doing, we want to be there to help. That's what we should be here for as the church. We want to lead the way in our community for, helping with foster care programs, with homelessness programs, whatever we can do to eradicate the, bad things that we have to see on a day-to-day basis that we know that can be helped out. It's been a privilege to be here so far in Clatsop County. It amazes me at the heart and the spirit of so many people in this town and how hard everyone works. It's definitely impressive. I've never seen anything like it. With that being said, really quickly. There's going to be a young lady coming up here to speak to you guys tonight about a new nonprofit organization that our church gladly stepped behind to help support. And what she's doing is actually helping homeless get off the street, not just helping the homeless. You know, it's great to help those that are in need, but if you can't help someone in need and the deep rooted issues, you're not going to actually help them. It's almost like the, tale of teaching someone to fish, allows them to eat every day. Well, if you give someone fish great, now you can feed me every day. I'm going to be comfortable and just let you keep feeding me. And I think we find ourselves doing that, trying to help people, which is great. It's nice to feel that in your heart, to help someone, but, what this young lady has got is definitely worth listening to. It's a new organization that's coming up, it's nonprofit, and she's going to be diving in there to get to the root issues of helping eradicate the homeless situation. One heart, one soul, and one person at a time.</p> <p>Mayor Barber stated wonderful.</p> <p>Pastor Daniels stated anyway, again, my name is Daniel Baker. I'm the Pastor at Lighthouse Christian Church, and we are here, to help you guys. So thank you for having me.</p> <p>Mayor Barber stated thank you, Pastor Baker. And you have someone coming to speak. Thank you.</p>

Michelle Trott, 42585 Tweedle Lane, Jewell, stated I come here tonight to introduce you to a brand new nonprofit called Deliver Light a while back a year and a half or so ago, I was driving around Seaside, doing what I was doing. Then I, got to recognize the homeless community and all of a sudden, one day I just couldn't drive past anymore. That my own curiosity got the best of me had they had a warm meal today. Why were they on the streets? Do they want to be on the streets? And so I just stopped and started talking to them. And, with that of some friends and community members got wind of what I was doing, I got some contributions. And since then, I've just been out on the streets by myself, delivering food cards. Somebody said, I said, I wish I could let him use my phone. Then they, you know, they don't have an ID. They need to sign up for social security. They need health insurance, but I know I shouldn't let them use my phone. Somebody said, go get a phone, we'll pay for it. So I got a track phone, took it out. My very first phone shares, what I'm calling this. We were successful in that one day of getting a man reassigned on his food stamps, getting an appointment with his social security. And since then he has received his first social security check in the mail. He's applied for his disability insurance. And it was just a joy. I've also met a young lady in Seaside who is 32 years old, and she's been on the streets in Seaside since was 13. And she's not signed up in one single program yet. And I asked her, could we be available to you to help you get on some programs? And she just sobbed and said, yes, and it's kind of heartbreaking. I just saw these needs that Seaside didn't have resources. I went to a story and picked up forms so they can fill out their applications. I take them back and deliver them, for them because they can't get there. We want to add bus passes so we can give them a daily bus pass to get up there. The whole idea as I've started approaching them, giving them shoes or coats and things was great. How can they get a little further? So I've kind of backtracked. That's where the phone came in. So we have a phone item, a vehicle, and a person, and we created Deliver Light. And my biggest goal is for each and every person to get off the street, if they want to. And I guess my mission going into it has been do for one, what you would do for all, because it's so overwhelming to think about all of them. I want all of them to be off the streets, but yet I was, we were all jumping in excitement for the one person getting social security and saying to himself, maybe I can get off the street one day. And that was really amazing. We're out there because we care about people and, I just want the best for them. And so another reason I'm here tonight is I can't do it by myself. I absolutely know that helping the homeless is not a competition. And I know I've read all the articles and everything that's been going on. And if I hadn't been in my current position, I may have applied for the liaison job because I was already kind of doing it. But on the other side of that is I would like to focus in Seaside. So my focus is to stay in Seaside and work with the homeless here and hoping to work with all of you for better of all that.

Mayor Barber stated wonderful Michelle. Wonderful.

Councilor Montero stated could I ask a couple of questions.

Mayor Barber stated please, before you sit down and I was going to ask. Tita is really leading our work here, and really learning more about the homeless situation. I'm sure you have some questions Tita.

Councilor Montero stated I am so happy that you Michelle and that Pastor Baker came here tonight. I have been, working hard behind the scenes with the Mayor, to pull things together, to work on strategies for the homeless in Seaside and reaching out to different organizations. I'll tell you, I've sent out email at this point. I wanted to have, a faith-based table to see, what are churches doing? What can our churches do? And I sent out email to every single pastor I could find. I think we have 12 churches in Seaside and I sent those out early last week. I have received one response, which is totally surprising to me. And so I'm, hoping that we will be able to get something off the ground there. I want to, learn more about Deliver Life, is that what you call it?

Ms. Trott stated L I G H T, light.

Councilor Montero stated light. Thank you. It's those masks you know, because, I was going to kind of do this a little bit later, but I don't know if you're going to stay for the whole meeting. So I kind of like to share this with everybody, and that is that in going out and about, I have the potential in probability, this is all very iffy of two properties that, their owners are willing to do something to provide some support. And again, I'm pulling together I've called Clatsop Community Action. I don't know how much you're doing with them. They came and presented to us, but I'm pulling together a, I'm going to call it a little task force to go over what these possibilities are and if they are truly something that we can pursue and we will need nonprofits to be involved. So, I can't thank you enough for being here.

Ms. Trott stated you're very welcome. It's my pleasure.

Mayor Barber stated well, we'll learn more from, about what you're doing. So thank you so much, Michelle. And I wonder, is there anyone else that would like to address the Council?

Celeste Bodner, 145 N. Wahanna, Seaside, stated I'm going to be a little redundant here. I can see it was unplanned, but, I showed up at the same time as my friend Michelle. First of all, Mayor Barber and members of the City Council, thank you for providing this platform. While serving as a board member of the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District, I have become aware that there's a misconception among some citizens that addressing the homelessness challenge in our community falls under the district's jurisdiction.

Today, however, I'm appealing to you, not in my role as an, as a district board member, but as a citizen and a taxpayer concerned about individuals experiencing homelessness with 21 years as executive director, serving young people in foster care, I'm acutely aware of the effect of homelessness on families and children across the country and in our own community. As a local, I'm here to gain clarity about the city's plan to address homelessness in our great community, and to encourage the City Council to assume their duty of leadership on this issue. I recognize in, October of last year that you Mayor Barber raised alarm bells about homelessness situation in our community. And according to the signal asked the city attorney, police chief and city manager, to come back to the Council with options of what can be done, or can't be done to implement solutions. I am interested in knowing the results of that work. And I think the folks in our community would be interested also. It is concerning to me that our citizens lack clarity regarding the public entity that is in charge of leading our community's efforts to address homelessness. I certainly have no special expertise regarding how cities are addressing homelessness, but a quick internet search illuminated the many ways City Councils across the state are leading the way for their communities. I'd be happy to share my research. If the Council is interested, political leanings aside, this issue affects everyone in our community, whether you are primarily concerned about children and the impact on them and their education, or concerned about the critical lack of housing available to our Seaside workforce, or simply concerned about the impact on property values, public safety, or livability in Seaside, these issues matter. And we turn to you, our local government to lead. In action is unacceptable. Given the recent confusion regarding the jurisdiction for this issue in our community. I am asking the City Council to publicly declare excuse me, publicly declare its leadership and role and commence developing a strategy regarding homelessness in Seaside. I asked the Council to consider action on the following, establish a community or task force to address homelessness and Tita I recognize you're already talking about that and I thank you. Charged with, convening community partners and identifying community priorities. Two I'd like to see or hope that you will direct staff to conduct an environmental scan of other city government official efforts. And to report back to the Council regarding evidence-based solutions for consideration by the Council, perhaps leading to development of a strategic plan. And third I'd love to see you provide a page on the city website to publicly communicate information regarding the city's strategy and efforts in leading, in addressing homelessness. Of course, homelessness is a highly complicated issue and should not happen in a vacuum. Business owners, non-profit organizations, governmental entities, and the citizens should be encouraged to step up in partnership with the city in addressing the needs of unhoused individuals. But random act of kindness are not enough. We need the city's leadership to lead as a governing body. So I'd be pleased to participate that, and I'd look forward to participating in that. So please count me in. Thank you.

Mayor Barber stated thank you. And we would appreciate having access to the research that you've done. And, I can tell you that we are proceeding with investigating and really trying to understand the whole issue of homelessness. Early on, we were talking about solving the problem, and we know we can't do that, but we can understand it, but it really means all of us working together with the city, providing the leadership that you're asking for, but all of us working together, churches, businesses, community groups, the parks, commissions, and committee, all of us working together. So thank you for your comments tonight. Any other, person would like to address the Council? Well, thank you. We've been bereft of any public comment for a long time, and it's been good to have people come and speak to us tonight on issues, not on the agenda. So thank you so much, and we'll move on now.

CONFLICT Mayor Barber asked whether any Councilor needs to declare a potential conflict of interest on any item on the agenda tonight.

No one declared a potential conflict of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA Mayor Barber stated I'll entertain a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Councilor Frank so moved pay the bills, with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously. (Frank/Posalski)

Consent Agenda: Payment of the Bills - \$289,587.66; and Approval of Minutes March 8, 2021.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

**RECOGNITION –
SEASIDE PUBLIC
LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
ESTHER MOBERG**

Mayor Barber stated we have reports and presentations, and we'll start off with a recognition of our head of our library from the Oregon Library Association, a presentation for your leadership. Please come up and speak to us.

Leah Griffith, 1604 N. Holladay Dr., Seaside, stated Mayor and Council, I am very pleased to be here tonight. I am a past president of the Oregon Library Association, but I'm also retired recently and I've moved back to Seaside my hometown, from Newberg. Some of you, I know from years ago, my family has been here forever. And so, one of the things though that I did when I first came back here to Seaside was to connect with the library.

And one of the reasons I did that was because of the leadership that I saw from Esther Moberg, as she was president of the Oregon Library Association, she served as president in 2018 and 2019. The thousand member organization is responsible for promoting, encouraging and developing library services throughout our state from all sorts of types of libraries. And Esther really showed her leadership in that organization. She was part of some legislation that changed to define what a public library was and to encourage those public libraries, to provide the kinds of service that they should be providing their citizens. And that really took a lot of leadership on her part. We had a couple of controversies during her year, and, she dwelt with them in a fashion that everyone was pleased with her leadership and we moved forward and no lasting effects of those controversies that we had. I am very pleased to present to Esther. The past president of the Oregon Library Association was supposed to have been given to her at the OLA Conference last April, but of course she didn't get to go. And so I am very pleased to present this to her. And I also want to say that you all should be very proud of what she has done here in Seaside. Her efforts with the association have also provided her with contacts and knowledge and information that has really helped make the Seaside Library, just a wonderful library. I'm so glad to be back involved in it again, since the last time, it was like 1977 when I actually worked there.

Esther Mober, Seaside Public Library, stated thank you for allowing me to take this time and do that? It took three years of being incoming president, current president and past president. It was quite a commitment and a lot more work than I anticipated, but very gracious in allowing me to have that opportunity. So thank you.

Mayor Barber stated you're welcome. Thank you very much. It goes without saying we're very proud of our library and our head of the library. We're very blessed and fortunate to have Esther and our library in our community. Thank you.

**PRESENTATION –
KERN AND THOMPSON
LLC, 2019-2020 AUDIT**

Mayor Barber stated now, an exciting part of our meeting. We have a presentation from Rick Proulx, who is our auditor and, Rick spent some quality time with the Council prior to the meeting this evening, presenting the latest audit. Rick, please, come, and, address us about your work. We'll be glad to hear your report.

Rick Proulx, Kern and Thompson, LLC, stated thank you, Mayor and members of the Council and, community of Seaside. I'm with Kern and Thompson CPA firm in Portland. And I reside in Newberg by the way. And, as the Mayor indicated that I already, I, spent a considerable amount of time earlier presenting the report in detail, our audit report to the city for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 2020. It may seem like a long time since that's passed, but under the circumstances, it's, become the norm in this past year, a number of governmental entities and commercial entities as well, just getting used to, undergoing a remote audit. I'm here to tell you that the city performed well, that the books and records are accurate and in good shape. And our audit, the results of our audit was what's called a clean opinion, an unmodified report on the financial statements of the city. So the numbers are accurate. The disclosures are correct. The activity has been recorded in the correct period, and it presents the financial condition and the results of the operations of the city appropriately. And the report has been filed with the state in accordance with Oregon regulations.

Mayor Barber stated well, thank you very much, Rick. Any comments from the Council? You have access, citizens have access to that audit. There are copies available here in city hall and, it is a voluminous volume that, I can't imagine how many hours it took for you and your team to put that together, but it was significant.

Mr. Proulx stated all together takes about 350 hours. And it's not just me, but my team.

Mayor Barber stated yes the, whole team, wonderful.

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, stated Mr. Mayor. We will make the audit available at the library. Also to anyone that wants to know, can take a look at it.

Mr. Proulx stated and the audit, all Oregon municipalities, once the audits are submitted to the state division of audits, they also put it on their website. So it becomes a public document.

Mayor Barber stated good. Mark, do we need to, pass a motion to receive the audit?

Mr. Winstanley stated no, you really don't Mr. Mayor, you don't have any choice. This is a document that, is required by law. And, the good news is, as Mr. Proulx said, it's an unqualified, audit. And so, now all you have to do is, at this point, accept the audit and, move forward.

Mayor Barber stated we have appreciated receiving it and, thank you for taking us through the details of it. To have a clean, clear audit, means a lot. And I want to hand bouquets to our city manager and his staff who worked with you in putting that all together. So, thank you very much.

Mr. Proulx stated and I'd like to again, thank the City Council for choosing us as your auditors. You know, you have a choice and we appreciate working with the city and the staff, and look forward to continue our relationship.

Mayor Barber stated absolutely. Thank you, Rick.

Mayor Barber stated now we have a report from, our Seaside Civic and Convention Center, from, Russ Vandenberg. It's great to have you here making a report along with Josh. Josh you want to pull up a chair.

Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager and Joshua Heineman, Director of Tourism Marketing Visitors Bureau presented their 2020 annual report together.

Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager, stated Mayor and City Councilors we appreciate the opportunity to come tonight to give you the annual report of the convention center. At the conclusion of my report, Joshua is going to give you the annual report of the Visitors Bureau. Let's get started well, even during challenging times, the objectives do not change the, work that we do over at the center. And the primary is to, maximize and the economic impact, to this Seaside community, by the, scheduling policies that we have in place. And our second objective is to provide facilities and respond to the local and civic needs of our community. The Seaside Convention Center and Seaside Visitors Bureau Annual Report Presentation highlights: Convention Center Objectives - Our primary objective is to utilize the convention center to its maximum capacity and to generate economic benefit to the Seaside community. A secondary objective is to provide services and facilities to respond to the needs of local and civic related events. Convention Center Annual Usage & Impact. Customer Service Analysis. Convention Center Expansion Project began May 21, 2018 and completed April 27, 2020. Highlights include Necanicum Room increase by 1,685 square feet (35%) while improving meeting rooms, storage capacity, and various exterior and interior improvements. Overall increase of 8,564 (16%) square feet. Architecture: HOLST & Convergence, Construction: O'Brien and Company, and Project Management: Kloss Group, Inc. We can now toss aside our 2020 calendars with hope and anticipation that 2021 will be a better year. I am hesitant to say "much better" because any emergence from a pandemic of this magnitude won't happen overnight. However, we will return to some form of normalcy when our restrictions are lifted. Our priorities have not changed, just realigned to match current guidelines and restrictions. Industry Trends. Acknowledgments – Convention Center staff remained busy despite the lack of events to manage. Keeping up with COVID regulations required extensive research while daily cleaning protocols proved timely on many levels. Due to our limited schedule, we assigned several staff members to assist Seaside Public Works and Seaside Library to meet seasonal demands and assist with projects. Visitors Bureau staff focused on creative marketing collateral and clever radio spots to encourage responsible tourism during the pandemic. They also updated their award-winning website, newsletter and visitor guide while spotlighting safety measures our business community were doing to assure visitor confidence. We are very fortunate to have such a highly-qualified group of dedicated and talented staff who take pride in their work. Acknowledgement – Oregon Fine Foods Family and Convention Center Commission Members. Visitors Bureau – OUR MISSION - Grow the local economy by attracting overnight visitors to the City of Seaside and providing service to those traveling along the Pacific Northwest coast. WHAT WE DO - Help Seaside tell its story, Shape behavior (winter stays, for example), Shine a light on community events, Share our love of Seaside with visitors. Bed Tax 5-Year. Bed Tax 2019-2020. COVID 19 arrives – Bed Tax 2019-2020. Travel and COVID/a balancing act and making sense of it all. Some Bright Spots. 2020 Surprising second half. Looking ahead through 2021 – 1921/2021 Seaside Prom Centennial with 32-page Prom Centennial Booklets, Commemorative Stickers, SeasideProm.com, Great Prom Centennial Sweepstakes, Visitors Guides, Advertising Campaign, and Events Integration. Acknowledgement – Tourism Advisory Committee. To watch the live feed of the presentation: www.cityofseaside.us [YouTube Video.](#)

Mr. Vandenberg stated at this point. I'd be happy to ask any of you, if you have any questions for myself or Joshua.

Councilor Phillips stated I have a comment. I, want you to know that I shared the article from the Oregon Business Magazine showing how creative you and your staff have been during all of this with my fellow Councilors. They got that via email. But it was interesting after the commission meeting, Russ took us in because there was a jury trial was set up in the Pacific room. So it was another creative way of using our convention center during this pandemic.

Mayor Barber stated I hadn't heard about that.

Councilor Montero stated (mic was off for some of her comments) It now has, is ranked number nine in the state in terms of amount of space. And that is a really big jump in the state. So that's really good. The comment I want to make is, the Prom Centennial Booklet that, Josh told us about.

What's really important too, about that is that he got a grant to do that and that wasn't, it wasn't city money. He got a grant for it. So, on top of everything else, it just makes it that much sweeter.

Mayor Barber stated wonderful.

Council President Wright stated you take your sticker, stick it on the back of your phone. You can show it to people all over the place.

Mayor Barber stated that's a good idea. That's great.

Council President Wright stated I appreciate it. Just like all our other city departments have, you did the COVID pivot dance really well, figuring out what you could do with your space, with your people, your time and your effort. And, it's a great thing. Great thing about this city we live in. Thank you very much. Good job.

Mayor Barber stated and I appreciate the way you've cared for your team, your staff. It's been a really tough time, but, you pivoted there as well and other departments benefited and, it's been amazing how well you did,

Mr. Vandenberg stated you know, and that is a unique thing that we were able to do is shift some of our staff to other departments that had a greater need than us, specifically the library and public works. And ultimately two of our full-time operations staff decided that they wanted to work full-time for public works.

Mayor Barber stated so you paid a big price for that.

Mr. Vandenberg stated but I'm happy for them,

Council President Wright stated Dale thanks you very much.

Mayor Barber stated well, thank you both very much. Excellent report.

Councilor Frank stated I appreciate it.

**PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE 2021-01**

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 Ordinance text in Code of Seaside Ordinance Chapter 158 Reducing Parking for Smaller Apartments in all Zones. (Second Reading)

ORDINANCE #2021-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT IN CODE OF SEASIDE ORDINANCE CHAPTER 158 REDUCING PARKING FOR SMALLER APARTMENTS IN ALL ZONES

Mayor Barber stated we're now going to continue a public hearing regarding ordinance 2021-01. And I'm going to ask Kevin to kind of remind us, bring us back up, concerning what's before us,

Kevin Cupples, Planning Director, stated Mayor and City Council, I won't bore you with the legislative history that got us to here, but what you have before you is an ordinance amendment that would amend the City of Seaside Zoning Ordinance. And instead of having a one size fits all parking requirement for apartments, which currently is two off street parking spaces for all apartment units, doesn't matter how, large they are. The Council and Planning Commission were both interested in seeing if that needed to be pared down some, we compared our ordinance with, some of the surrounding city ordinances. And what you have before you is a reduction in that overall parking requirement. So it's recognizing one parking space for a studio apartment. 1.25 parking for a one bedroom and 1.5 for a two bedroom. If you go over the two bedrooms, then you're back up to the two and that's where it levels out, but this is only for apartments. Apartments under the Seaside Zoning Ordinance are, multifamily dwellings with three or more units. This really won't, change what you have for duplexes and the ADA user is treated completely different than that. But, that's what this will do is really lower the bar for apartments and hopefully encourage more apartment development that may provide some smaller units, rather than just sticking with larger units and, providing a variety of housing.

Councilor Montero stated and then the added reminder that it's not for vacation rentals, correct?

Mr. Cupples stated that's right.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Kevin. This time I will continue the public hearing. If there's anyone that would like to speak regarding the proposed ordinance, please come to the mic, state your name and your address and limit your comments to four minutes. Anyone, this time I will, continue the public hearing, until our next meeting. We have one more meeting regarding this don't we have one more, one more. I'll continue the public hearing until next meeting. The reading will come after the public comment. At this time, any Council comments,

Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney, stated (mic did not pick up what he was stating).

Councilor Posalski stated I would move to read it by title only, with a second from Councilor Montero; carried unanimously. (Posalski/Montero)

Mr. Van Thiel read Ordinance 2021-01 by title only.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Dan. And we will have this before us for the final reading and the motion whether or not we adopt at our next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Barber stated continuing then under unfinished business, we have vacancies, still vacancies on our Transportation Advisory Commission. Still an opening on our Planning Commission.

Councilor Montero stated we have an applicant. And I would like to nominate that applicant for the planning commission, Christopher Rose, with a second from Councilor Frank; carried unanimously. (Montero/Frank)

Mayor Barber stated we'll schedule an interview for Mr. Rose.

Mr. Winstanley stated at your next Council meeting.

Mayor Barber stated very good. We have, an opening on our Library Board and we did two interviews, prior to our meeting this evening. Tita as our liaison there. Do you have any comment?

Councilor Montero moved to appoint Cheryl Adamscheck to the Library board with a second from Councilor Frank; carried unanimously. (Montero/Frank)

The term expiration for Cheryl Adamscheck would be December 31, 2024.

Mayor Barber stated great to have Cheryl. Brings a great deal of resource, a longtime employee with Boeing and moved back to Seaside. So we're glad to have her onboard. And then the Community Center Commission. We have one opening there and we're anticipating maybe some others coming.

Councilor Montero stated we have two openings.

Mayor Barber stated two of them. So get the word out. We need volunteers for the Community Center Commission, really important part of our community, and provides resources to all kinds of groups in our community, particularly senior citizens and others. So please get the word out on that.

Kim Jordan, City Recorder, stated the other four applicants that you had for the library and Adam Wood. I have sent an email to them with the descriptions of the other committees. So if they decide, then I'll bring that back to you.

Mayor Barber stated wonderful. Thank you for that.

**VACANCY –
TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMISSION** (1 Vacancy)

**VACANCY –
PLANNING COMMISSION** (1 Vacancy)

**VACANCY –
COMMUNITY CENTER
COMMISSION** (2 Vacancies)

NEW BUSINESS:

**APPROVAL –
CITY OF SEASIDE
AUDIT CONTRACT**

Mayor Barber stated under new business, we have before us, the audit contract with Kern and Thompson. I'll entertain a motion to approve the audit. Maybe Mark, you'd like to make a few comments about it.

Mr. Winstanley stated thank you, Mr. Mayor. Yes, you received, the audit for, the previous year, tonight, and the auditors have submitted to you a new contract. A lot of people think that that audit all takes place, in the fall, but, that's not necessarily true. One of the reasons why we'd like to get a new contract in place is the auditors will do testing, here in the next month or so. And we would like to get a contract in place so they could come in and do testing. The new contract would be for \$44,000. That's a \$1,000 increase over the previous quarter.

Mayor Barber stated excellent. I'll entertain a motion to approve the contract.

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

Mr. Winstanley stated thank you, Mr. Mayor.

**SEASIDE CITY COUNCIL
GOALS 2021-2022**

Mayor Barber stated and finally, the City of Seaside Goals for 2021 to 2022. I think most of the community knows that we, worked over a two-day period to put together kind of projected our goals out for the next year and a half or two years.

And some of them actually go to four years and, this is the work that we did. I think you've all had copies of that and what we need to do this evening is a motion to adopt, to approve these goals.

Councilor Montero stated I would like to suggest that before we make the motion to adopt, because we do have people watching and we have audience again, wonderfully, in-person audience that we go down and, read the goals, that we have decided on for the two year goals and, the four year goals. And I know that this is probably this document will be on the website, right. For people to see. But, I would, like to read this into the record.

Mayor Barber stated I think it's a great idea. What I would suggest is as we go down, the person who is in the first place under each goal, you read that one and then the second person can make a comment if they want. So David you're, going to start us off.

Councilor Posalski stated under our Economic Base, we will convene a business-led task force to advise on business recovery in Seaside. And that will be formed by, the Mayor and myself. We'll be, starting that process by April 30th. We'll be forming that.

Mayor Barber stated and then, the next one, Steve.

Council President Wright stated another, Economic Base Goal is to continue the focus on development of housing opportunities in Seaside. And this is not limited to any particular type of housing, but, the gamut and, we're planning to have a task force formed for that by the end of July.

Mayor Barber stated and then under our infrastructure, Randy.

Councilor Frank stated to determine the highest and best use of two city properties. These are the old, or what was being used as school administration building, and also, the church we acquired, which is next to the library. And, we're proceeding along on that. And hopefully we'll arrive at some consensus in the near future.

Mayor Barber stated and then continue Randy identify, okay.

Councilor Frank stated then to identify and pursue optimal funding mechanism for prioritize bridge replacement. Of course this is a big dollar item and involves several entities. And, Tom probably is more anxious than I, but we both would like to see a timeline to see these things happen. And, funding is, is the big issue.

Mayor Barber stated Tom, want to make any comment.

Councilor Horning stated just to remind everybody that the statistics about when the next tsunami will hit is, they're variable, but some of them are near term, which could mean in less than a decade. So you don't want to take this thing too lightly.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Tom. David again.

Councilor Posalski stated Councilor Wright and myself, we're going to work on developing a volunteer recognition program, something that not only recognizes, city volunteers, but also our community volunteers.

Mayor Barber stated right, Dana?

Councilor Phillips stated yes, the Mayor and I have taken on the, succession planning for our city manager. And because he announced to us that he's, retiring and what is it? 2022. And along with that, it's, coming up with a new financial person. Anyway, so we are, in the process, Jay and I talked about it just briefly one night, but, we will be discussing this in greater length in the end when I get back in a week's time.

Mayor Barber stated Tita and I are going to continue to review, revise and update, the City Charter as needed, which is a significant process that requires the vote of the citizens when we're ready to put it before the community.

Councilor Montero stated and not only does it require the vote of the citizens, it will require a citizen led committee.

Mayor Barber stated it's a big, project. By the end of June of 2022.

Councilor Phillips stated okay, another big chunk, that, Tita, and I are going to be discussing in greater length. We're constantly looking at our, our city ordinances and changing them, but we're going to be reviewing, revising and updating, those city ordinances. Because just as an example, is, that trying to help our, police officers deal with the homeless issue. So it's just, it's a huge process that we're going to be taking. And then I'll just because we're also developing policies for guidance of committees and commissions, which I guess that doesn't have it. I was trying to shorten it up, but yeah, that's.

Councilor Montero stated two separate things.

Councilor Phillips stated the guidance of our committees and commissions, what they can and cannot do. So that's the next project too.

Mayor Barber stated okay, Randy.

Councilor Frank stated the city has been working diligently with this updating our, plan for disaster evacuation, survival and restructure. And, also sort of rolling in with us as developing a resiliency master plan. They, cross paths, in several places, but you know, this is moving along really, at a good pace. I was up at our EOC center last week and it's looking really good. A lot of things are in place already, including, our communications tower, which will add redundancy to communication between Astoria and the South County. That's just kind of long. Seaside, I think probably leads, most cities in their preparedness here.

Mayor Barber stated under Our Quality of Life, as earlier communicated, Tita and I are working to define and implement the cities strategies to address homelessness in Seaside and that is ongoing right now. And Michelle and Pastor, we are working diligently on that and need your input.

Councilor Phillips stated if my glasses would stop steaming, Under Quality of Life, we're trying to identify city opportunities to address the addiction and mental health problems in our community. It's, so vastly needed. So we're, we all have to work together to, it's not just homeless, it's the kids it's scary out there.

Mayor Barber stated it's all connected as well.

Councilor Phillips stated and we've got to all work together to make our community a safer place for all of us.

Mayor Barber stated Tom, why don't you do this one.

Councilor Horning stated this is to engage partners to begin implementation of a source water protection plan. It misses the fact that it's not complete as well, so that's to complete it and then begin the implementation, but the future holds a population increase. There's going to be greater water demands. There's very good chance that the climate will be dryer than there will be less water to be had. And one of the things that can be, guarantee more water is a forest that has a substantial structure to it. That turns out that, an older forest will give up 50% more water during the summer than a dry and a young forest. And so this was one of the things is how to accomplish this and how it also enhances the habitat of the forest for wildlife and for salmon species in the rivers.

Mayor Barber stated and we have a few four year goals. Goals that we felt like we just couldn't accomplish within two years. So, let's go back up to the top and go through those starting with the first one.

Council President Wright stated it fits right along with the housing one, evaluate the UGB expansion for the purpose of housing. Something that the Planning Commission would be studying.

Mayor Barber stated David.

Councilor Posalski stated Councilor Montero and I will be working to develop a destination stewardship plan, something that, helps make sure that the city is ready for the tourism growth that we hope to see moving forward.

Mayor Barber stated and continue on.

Councilor Posalski stated we want to identify a long-term downtown parking solution.

Mayor Barber stated and then, Randy and Tom.

Councilor Frank stated will, seek funding and begin construction of evacuation and survival infrastructure.

Mayor Barber stated funding is key.

Councilor Frank stated and then, taking initial steps toward the implementation of the resiliency master plan, which really is a working document.

Mayor Barber stated Tom, I want you to take that last one.

Councilor Horning stated all right. This is the implementation of parks and trail systems improvements. For 15 years, the Parks Advisory Committee has been developing a natural history park plan, and it's gone through some revisions and starts and stops. It's comprehensive. It's more than just a parks, it's the entire community because frankly we live in a park. When you look at the natural beauty around Seaside and the natural, processes of stream flow and atmospheric exchange, the whole thing, we're a part of the system. And so trying to pull that together into a, comprehensive and accessible, recreational opportunity for the public is what this is going to lead to. And so we're getting to the point of finally kicking it into gear.

Mayor Barber stated and a great potential economic impact from doing that.

Councilor Horning stated a lot of off season, visits would come out of that.

Councilor Montero stated if I could make another comment on the document itself, and this sounds kind of picky, but, as the, the names of the Councilors assigned to each one of these, was documented, they were put in alphabetical order. And I know that, each one of us took the lead in a couple of the goals with another Councilor being the support person. And I would like to see that this gets rearranged to show whose the lead so that everybody in the community knows, who's got those shoulders dripping down with the responsibility, but so that we all know that

Mayor Barber stated do we have that in the records.

Councilor Posalski stated I think that would be helpful also, as we're reporting back to the Council on progress that we know who that person is, that's going to report on a particular goal.

Mayor Barber stated Mark, can we do a little research and figure the out?

Jon Rahl, Assistant City Manager stated I can speak to that. I'll check in with Matthew at the Coraggio Group to ensure that. I would imagine that through that record, keeping that I know in fact we actually recorded it as well, so we can, access it in some form. Might take a little bit but we will get on that.

Mayor Barber stated excellent. Good. Thank you. Thank you, Tita.

Councilor Montero stated one more suggestion. One of the things that helps, I think all of us stay on track and, get things accomplished is if we have deadlines for things, and I would like to see us, at, for our last two years, we had said we were going to report quarterly on our progress and that kind of didn't happen regularly. I would like to see us have a regular, Maybe once a month, a report or something designed so that, we can keep all of a apprised plus our community apprised of what progress, we are making towards these goals.

Council President Wright stated Jay and I discussed that a little bit at one of our meetings and decided that's exactly what we would do. We will let you know individually if it's your turn, particularly for ones that have deadlines that are kind of.

Mayor Barber stated yeah. It's the only way that what gets measured gets done. And if we don't do that and I'm blaming COVID on our lack of follow-through on the last, but, we don't have that excuse any longer. So thank you, Tita. I'll entertain a motion to approve.

Councilor Posalski stated so moved with the adjustments made for the responsibility, with a second from Council President Wright; carried unanimously. (Posalski/Wright)

**COMMENTS –
CITY STAFF
AND OTHERS**

Mayor Barber stated comments from city staff. Russ, you want to add anything tonight?

Mr. Vandenberg stated I have nothing else to add, thank you.

Mayor Barber stated Josh? Anything more you want to add?

Mr. Heineman stated let's say quickly. We're open. The visitor center is open seven days a week right now, which is unusual at this time of year. That's because of the demand for these puppies, as people are leaving town. Open from 10 to 2 on Sundays.

Mayor Barber stated wonderful, great, Esther, anything you'd like to add this evening?

Ms. Moberg stated we just continue to add a few more hours as we can each week or month. Currently we're open Tuesday through Thursday, nine to seven, Friday, Saturday nine to four and Sunday one to four. I'm still working through some of those things. Thank you.

Mayor Barber stated wonderful. Great to have access. Kevin, anything you'd like to add this evening?

Mr. Cupples stated he did not have anything.

Mayor Barber stated Jon.

Mr. Rahl stated he was going to defer to Kim.

Ms. Jordan stated at the last meeting, there was a discussion about public comments and the meetings.

Councilor Frank stated can't hear you Kim?

Ms. Jordan stated sorry. At the last meeting there was a discussion about public comments, people writing in as far as public comments and how we're going to handle those. We just want to show you that on a website, we have created an area where you can go in and actually click, you can fill out the form for any public comments that you want to make. At the bottom, I am stating that I would like this comment submitted to the City Council prior to the next meeting and included in the City Council packet.

Or you can defer down. I am stating that. I do not wish to add this to a City Council packet. You have to click one of those to be able to send the form. So it will automatically come in to me as far as if they would, like it included in the Council packet. I get it either way, but it will state. So that's how we're going to, separate out who would like it to go to the Council as far as public comments.

Mayor Barber stated excellent, thank you for responding to that request.

Councilor Montero stated could I ask a question? Does that mean that if somebody filled that out tonight, we would not see it until next meeting or would we see it right away?

Ms. Jordan stated if you would like me to email it to you, I can do that.

Councilor Montero stated I'd rather see,

Ms. Jordan stated I think that you stated at the last meeting you were talking about, whether it would be put in the Council packet or not. And so that's what we were trying to establish.

Councilor Montero stated I think a public comment needs to be part of a public record, but I also think that, some of our citizens who fill that out will think that their comments might be getting immediate action.

Ms. Jordan stated I think the form states that it would be like the next Council packet. I think there's writing on that.

Councilor Posalski stated I think there's different communication, whether it's public comment on something on the agenda or in general versus maybe a response to something we talked about tonight.

Mr. Rahl stated I think the other thing to consider is, if we look at, I mean, we're operating in a new world, right, where we've kind of evolved. And, the way when Kim and I were talking about this too, was, say somebody were to come in to city hall tomorrow and say I want to, comment on something that happened at last night's meeting, the way we would instruct them to do that was we would tell them that they're meeting again in this case on the second Monday in April, and we'd encourage them to come and make their comment there. We're treating that in terms of the form in the same way as if, hey, the next meeting is here. Just the way, now we have more public comment in present today than we've had in quite some time, obviously. But I think that's the way that was kind of, we looked at it, okay, this is how we operate our meetings. Where does it make sense in the flow to insert those public comments? And it would make sense to insert them for the next meeting based on how we've done things in the past.

Mayor Barber stated I would also say to you Kim on your good judgment, if it's something that you feel is urgent that the Council needs to hear right away, that you would email that comment to us.

Ms. Jordan stated and I actually have been doing that with you Council. I have emailed you quite a few things that I just felt like you should know about, even if it was going to be in the packet. So if there's something I missed, then please let me know. But otherwise I do try to.

Mayor Barber stated good.

Councilor Montero stated and for people to know the difference between this being a public comment, I want my, I want you to know my thoughts as opposed to a complaint that they think is going to be dealt with immediately. People don't always go to the right department for a complaint or that kind of thing. And so, I think, we'll see as things come in, how this all works and, see if there's anything we need to change in terms of process.

Ms. Jordan stated okay. And you might want to, all of you research the website whenever you have some time, because we do have our own, we don't call it a complaint. We call it a citizen report. And they can write in there if they want particular information sent to them, if they want to put a plus down for someone, if they want to, you know, all these different things. And that's a totally different form on there too.

Councilor Posalski stated there was also a question at the last meeting on that as to there may be something that was written that we actually want to read into the record. Is that something that, would be acceptable for us to be able to do if it's, you know, poignant enough to what we're talking about.

Mayor Barber stated any individual Councilor could certainly do that.

Ms. Jordan stated I think that would be the best way for me to get it in there for the minutes, if you want it in the minutes. Because I don't normally put people's emails into the minutes.

Councilor Posalski stated perfect. That's good to know.

Ms. Jordan stated verbatim of what people have stated. But that would be a great way to get it. If someone say wrote to you about homelessness or something, then.

Mayor Barber stated and by the way, if you haven't looked at the website lately, it's significantly improved and it's just a great work. It's wonderful. Thank you, Kim. Dan anything you'd like to say.

Mr. Van Thiel stated nothing.

Mayor Barber stated Mark.

Mr. Winstanley stated thank you, Mr. Mayor. I want to take this, time or just a short period of time anyway, to, thank Ester for the great work that she's done over at the library. I know she came to me a couple of years ago and wanted to know about whether, getting in line for becoming a president of the Oregon Library Association would be a good idea. I thought it would be, an excellent thing. And I think she's been, a fantastic, representative of Seaside, on the state library board, as well as she's done some great work. I know that, some, of the controversies that she just kind of glazed over, have been, interesting, I guess, would be best way to put it. I also would like to take this opportunity to thank both Josh and, Russ. They do a great job. It's been a very difficult year for people whose task it is to bring people to Seaside. But they've done a, marvelous job, during this time. And, I just want to take this opportunity to thank them and also to thank Kevin. You know, Kevin, uh, he is tasked with bringing you some of the, shall we say more mundane things of government, like, parking requirements, but these are very important items. And these are the things that I would suggest all of you Councilors. These are the things where you get the phone call, because your neighbor, is not happy about how many cars are parked outside of this house or, how people are handling themselves and in a rental property or something along those lines. And, Kevin gets to handle a lot of those issues. Those are very difficult things to handle and he does a great job.

Mr. Cupples stated although I will say this, Kevin is not handling complaints on vacation rentals. Now that is Jeff Flory. He has, improved the, complaint procedures online. And so that is a clear cut directive if, you need to complain there, he's your man.

Mayor Barber stated and I'm sure you miss that, responsibility, Kevin

Mr. Winstanley stated and Kevin supervises that. They all do a wonderful job and we're very lucky to have all of them.

Mayor Barber stated good and kudos to you, Mark for, another excellent audit. I know you spend a lot of long hours, making sure that all comes together with Rick and thank you so much.

Mr. Winstanley stated thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Barber stated should we keep him another year?

Council President Wright stated I think at least another year.

COMMENTS – COUNCIL

Mayor Barber stated comments from the Council. David, I'll let you kick that off.

Councilor Posalski stated first thing I wanted to say is, in our conversations, Mark the, requests from non-profits for funding opportunities, those requests are going out to previous recipients. I was hoping that we might be able to get that application or information to this, Deliver Light, which is new so that they might be able to apply for those funds. Also I would like to invite the community to get involved in these goals. If you see something on our goals that, speaks to you, we're guiding the goals, but we're going to need help in the community and that's we want the community involvement. That's all.

Mayor Barber stated good. The other end, Tom.

Councilor Horning stated Esther, great job. Congratulations. It's been fun watching this, keep up the good work. The other is, I wanted to acknowledge the offer of assistance from the lighthouse church and congregation. Thank you very much for stepping up. I think it'll help, lead the way here.

Mayor Barber stated thank you very much. Dana.

Councilor Phillips stated well on that, Michelle and pastor, I look forward to all of us working together to make this a better community to live in for our homeless issue. But thank you so much again to what Tom just said, stepping up to the plate. We appreciate it very, much.

Councilor Montero stated and I will say that one again also. And leading by example, I think, which is very important, so that other people know that they can step up to the plate too. Again, anybody who's interested in, having input or say, we're all here waiting for that. We only, we can only reach out so many times and, for so many hours. We do depend on people coming in and telling us what they think, what they believe, where they can help. That kind of thing. I also want to, talk about, the staff. I think tonight we had some examples of just how superior the staff, for our city is.

And, and we're very lucky to have staff. Esther is known throughout the state for the work she's done with the State Library Association that can only bring positivity to our community. And, it helped. And I think you would admit that you learn things along the way that you bring back to us too. So it's, we are very, lucky, the work that Josh has done to, walk that fine line between bringing people to town or telling them to stay out. And that's also been in the convention center that is a fine line. And now looking at, okay, when do we want to really kind of, warm them up, put the heat under those conventions and that kind of thing, because, yes, we, have to think about our citizens and our community, but the people visiting here create our bread and butter. And so, we are, again, I can only say we're very lucky with the staff we have.

Mayor Barber stated I'm going to leave Randy to last and put you next.

Council President Wright stated I mentioned, I think two weeks ago that a Representative Bonamici is asking the Northwest Act the area commission on transportation for, three projects that she can champion in this, upcoming legislature where they're going to actually consider earmarks, although there's another longer term for it, but it's still earmarks. I took that to the Transportation Advisory Commission, last week and they came up with three, and they are three bridges. You guys will be happy with that, Avenue S, Avenue G, and Avenue U. And, I'll lobby Northwest Act when we meet, have a special meeting, next week to try to get those to rise to the top. We can only have three per County. So I'm going against the other cities in the County, but anything that doesn't get chosen, I'll go straight to our representatives and senators or representatives and senators at the federal level. And at least let them know what we're working on. My Prom 100, note for tonight is actually something new that just happened earlier this month, it's called house concurrent Resolution 27, sponsored by our representative State Representative Suzanne Weber. And co-sponsored by Senator Betsy Johnson. I'm just going to read the first ten lines. Whereas August 7th, 1921 marked a turning point in the civic and cultural of the state of Oregon. And whereas on that day, dignitaries and thousands of visitors from around the state joined Governor Ben w Alcott in Seaside, Oregon at the dedication ceremony for a new sea wall and promenade, that was one and a half miles long. And whereas the prom as it is affectionately known was officially christened by an eight year old Martha Hagemeyer who broke a bottle of seawater on the concrete. And whereas tourism exploded after construction of the Seaside Promenade and millions of visitors from around the world have experienced the distinctive pleasures of a stroll, a run or a bicycle ride on the prom. And if that sounds familiar to all of you, it is, because those words were taken directly from the invitation that we sent out to our representatives, our Councilors, other elected in the County. And I want to thank Joshua specifically because he rewrote what I wrote and it turned out much nicer and they just used it. So thank you, Joshua. And I'll send a copy of that. It's been for the first reading and, hopefully it'll get passed at the state legislature.

Mayor Barber stated I'm sure it will. Good. Thank you. Ready, you get the last word.

Councilor Frank stated I am a liaison, to the airport and I just wanted to report that, the much sought after and waited for a bike shed is about 75% complete, is really important for people flying in as they, have a way to get to town and, get about. And, one of our foreman out there, Jeremy commented that, you know, he was born and raised here and had no idea how much our airport was used. He said he saw 20 flights in, a two day period. And I said, people who are just not aware of, how much use the airport gets. Some of our funding is being held up now because, we don't have enough permanent, aircraft. We only have five hangers. So on the wish list, there is, maybe expanding and adding five more at some point in time. I'm just throwing that out there. But, also another, point for the Council to consider here. And I'd like to get a consensus tonight on this is that, we're convening our meeting here tomorrow, but there are people who are unable to attend, and we've talked about these hybrid meetings, and we would like to be able to zoom that meeting, with people who want to attend at the same time we're doing the in-person meeting. It would be nice and we shouldn't really exclude anybody who wants to attend, any of our, committees or, commissions or boards. And because all these people volunteer their time and, and energy, and we should welcome, encourage and enable them to do so. I would like, if possible, maybe we could direct city staff to make this possible and enable whatever it takes for this hybrid meeting to happen.

Councilor Montero stated Randy, can I, take it a step further just to define what a hybrid meeting is? I want to make sure I'm clear on what you're talking about, and that would be that a hybrid meeting would be that the committee would be meeting in a certain place. Other people could be attending that meeting by zoom and the people meeting together could see who's coming in on zoom and the zoom people coming in on zoom could see the people at the committee. So you're basically expanding your ability for, discussion. You're expanding your ability for people to know what's going on in the city and, to become involved

Councilor Frank stated and the people that want to attend it are unable to be here at the building. Sure.

Mayor Barber stated and that would be a public meeting.

Councilor Frank stated yes.

Councilor Montero stated I totally agree.

Councilor Posalski stated I would ask, our city manager, what kind of staff requirements would be required to be able to implement a process like that as many meetings as we have that could require a another full-time?

Councilor Frank stated well, I think it would be the desire of, it would depend on whatever committee, if they chose to do it or not.

Mr. Winstanley stated we have a number of committees and commissions, and does this mean that whenever somebody decides that they cannot attend, but they want to be able to attend from another site that then we'd have to put together a hybrid meeting. And so that that person can attend.

Councilor Montero stated that's a good question, Mark, because I can remember some years ago, way back, there was a, commissioner, on the Convention Center Commission who wanted to attend from afar and was told that was not allowed. And I thought that might've been an ordinance. I didn't know exactly what it was. Terry Bischel. If that's an ordinance, then that's one way we have to answer that question. But if in fact opening to a hybrid meeting allows committee members who some reason can't make that meeting to attend, then that could be a good thing.

Mr. Winstanley stated I also would, and I'm not sure that Dan Van Thiel is ready to answer this question at this point, but there are rules that have been, extended by the State of Oregon under the current situations, as far as how quorums are formed and how those things take place in a hybrid meeting or in an electronic meeting. As to whether those continue in the future, is another situation that's going to have to be addressed by the State of Oregon. Currently a quorum, requires presence and presence, while now is, registered at, an electronic meeting, may not be in the future. And that was one of the issues with, I'll leave the name out, but that was one of the issues with the commissioner, who wanted to meet, in that meeting electronically at that time, your presence in person was required. You weren't allowed to meet, you could, view the meeting, but you weren't a part of the quorum in that case. But that's something that the state has, allowed during this period of time. I don't know whether that's going to continue into the future, decisions. And it's different with different committees and commissions. As an example, your Planning Commission is required to make decisions, and those decisions require quorums and, those votes, currently are allowed for in the, current situation, but I don't know that they would be allowed for in the future. And I, don't know at this point, how people who appear before a commission, are going to feel about having commissioners, who aren't there, in order for them to, shall we say play, because how a meeting, presents itself, is different electronically than it is, in person. And I think there's a number of questions that need to be answered, for, that type of, meeting to take place.

Councilor Frank stated okay, we got sidetracked a little bit. The intent here was, not aimed at the committee members. It is aimed at people who wanted to attend the meetings. You mentioned that legally, you don't know if, the members could do that, but can we not open any meeting up to people who want to attend it.

Mr. Winstanley stated again, that would deal with staffing, though those meetings don't happen just because, you want them to take place. We have to actually make them take place. It's like tonight's meeting Jon's over there running this meeting, it isn't happening just because we have cameras.

Councilor Frank stated if we did need a staff member, are we able to do that? It's fine to do it.

Mr. Winstanley stated you need a staff member. We have to, make.

Councilor Frank stated well, tomorrow's Airport Committee meeting. Has to have a staff member.

Mr. Winstanley stated at this point, my answer would be yes.

Councilor Montero stated I guess I'm going to ask why.

Mr. Winstanley stated because I don't know that there is anybody capable of handling that meeting. We're required to make sure that's the case.

Councilor Montero stated I can tell you; the Airport Committee did get the permission to do this, and they have been doing it with, Randall doing the zoom. This would be their third meeting it's recorded. I attended one of them. I do remember that we gave the Airport Committee permission to do this, to have people attend.

Mr. Winstanley stated I don't think you can take one committee and give them permission to, do meetings differently than you can, your other committees. I think that's a significant problem that you guys are going to face in the future. I would expect that the next thing that will happen is that we'll receive a request from another committee. That's going to say, well, if the Airport Committee can do that, then why can't we. I think that this is something that before the Council decides that's the way committee meetings are going to take place. I think you have to take a look at what the requirements are going to be for those to happen.

Councilor Montero stated could I propose that since we already gave the Airport Committee permission to do this and their next meeting is tomorrow that we continue to allow them to do this while we make those inquiries and, research and come up with, recommendations for the Council to consider

Mayor Barber stated what is the Council's response to Tita's proposal, any comments,

Councilor Phillips stated I guess I'm really concerned because of the fact with Jon sitting over there doing well, I know he's going through, and keeping this above board. We're opening a can of worms for, what happened to the school board last month when somebody hacked into their zoom meeting. I'm going people, this is all new to so many people and I'm going, I don't think it's, something that we can just lightly say, because some people on your Airport Committee can't make the meeting.

Councilor Montero stated no, this is, about.

Councilor Frank stated this is about people wanting to attend the meeting.

Councilor Phillips stated I'm sorry.

Mayor Barber stated what I'd like to suggest is that, we got Dan involved and, Mark. The attractive thing to making these meetings, virtually available is that it brings more people, gets greater engagement from the community, but how can we do that practically in terms of legality, in terms of staffing. We need for you, and Jon and the team to look at this and bring back why we can or why we can't.

Mr. Rahl stated can I just ask and make a point of clarity, I guess, one thing, you know, as I think Mark pointed out, tonight's meeting is being streamed on both Facebook and YouTube. If the question is about streaming these meetings currently, the best way to do that is through this space here, because of the setup, or is this a question about having a meeting and allowing for participants or for the outside world electronically to participate in those meetings? That I don't, I mean, I think there needs to be some clarity around that. And I also think that when we, when you, as a Council made the decision to, move forward with an electronic meeting policy, you did that in a way that you asked staff to put together a policy recommendation, and then you approve that. And then we went forward with electronic meetings for other committees. I guess I just wanted to remind you of that and, and also ask for that point of clarity again, are you asking for a hybrid meeting, or are you asking for the availability of meetings to push out to YouTube and Facebook? The way this meeting is here

Mayor Barber stated my understanding is what is being requested here is not a hybrid meeting where people who are on the committee and log in and vote from a distance, but making it accessible to citizens outside of the meeting.

Councilor Posalski stated for the citizens to view it or the citizens to participate.

Mayor Barber stated to view it.

Mr. Winstanley stated that would require the meeting to take place here.

Councilor Posalski stated and are all committees and commissions.

Mr. Winstanley stated all committees and commission meetings to take place here where we have the resources to be able to do those meetings. A lot of those committees have not met in this location in the past.

Councilor Frank stated yes, I don't. We love hearing from people who are unable to be at the meeting. And we do allow them to talk and we listen to them. And, so far we've done it without city staff, and we'd just like to continue doing that. And so I guess my question is, does it take some kind of a move on the part of Council to do that?

Councilor Montero stated you know, I'm glad. (Lost Tita mic was turned off)

Councilor Posalski stated is the process of keeping of those meetings sufficient for public records and for people to access. So you guys have been able to record them.

Councilor Frank stated they're recorded.

Mr. Van Thiel asked how often you meet.

Councilor Frank stated well every other month.

Mr. Van Thiel (could not pick up on mic)

Councilor Frank stated well, we have not so far done a zoom meeting from this location where we're all present. So apparently, that would be different.

Mr. Rahl stated yes, very different. Because again, you're talking about a hybrid meeting where you're not only allowing participants here, but you're bringing them in remotely. And so you have participants in two different locations or multiple locations for that matter, depending on how you're bringing in zoom. That's was my ask for clarification as it sounds like your initial point was asking for a hybrid meeting, but then there was conversation that went into just allowing people to watch the meeting. They're two different, two very different things in terms of how the meetings run electronically.

Councilor Frank stated we want people to be able to attend who are, who can't get here, or don't feel comfortable coming into a group setting. We've already been doing it by zoom. And I think the only thing changing is the location and us being here, the person doing the meetings is fine, was still setting up zoom and allowing people in.

Mr. Rahl stated but there's two different words attend or participate. I mean, I think we can, safely say tonight that there are viewers on YouTube and Facebook attending, if you will virtually so that they can watch, they can't participate in the meeting because we don't have that channel open to them. That is the big point of clarification. And I think whether public meeting law even allows that type of meeting, which was Mark's point. And I think, you know, well, I love technology. I love what we've been able to do here, but I think it's important to really establish clear guidelines rather than just opening it up and suddenly having the ability to do these hybrid meetings.

Mr. Winstanley stated I think it's important to recognize that a governmental meeting is not, it's not a chamber meeting. It's not a, it's not where you just get everybody together and have a, open forum. A governmental meeting has certain rules, requirements, and regulations that we have to abide by. Can it happen, the answer is yes? Is it right? I'm going to tell you, no, it's not.

Councilor Montero spoke (mic did not pick up her comments)

Mr. Winstanley stated and I don't like them. I'll be very Frank. I think they have significant problems with them. I think that the school board meeting was a perfect example of, the kind of issues that you can run into in meetings like that.

Councilor Montero stated I have attended a lot. (Mic not on didn't get comments).

Mayor Barber stated any comments, Steve.

Council President Wright stated it's like Jon said, it's a new world. And I think at this point, what we're doing is the right and proper way to do it. Working out a method in the future to figure out how to let people take part when they either just want to do it from home, because they don't want to show up here or it's because, you know, there's not enough room, you know, they're worried about COVID. So at this point, I think what we've done is the right and proper thing to do. You know, we stream the meetings. If somebody really wants to say something, they should come to the meeting, we have social distancing and, you know, most committee meetings are not going to generate very much, attention. I like the idea of thinking about it, you know, trying to figure out what the right thing to do going forward is, particularly once we get out of COVID out of the pandemic.

Mayor Barber stated what I would say, because we're getting late in our evening is that the airport has a directive that we've not revoked at this point. Let's continue with that and continue to, really work on this. And Steve, I'm going to ask you if you will work with me and with Mark and Jon to bring back, some, direction for the Council to consider going forward, do we then need to ask you Dan for legal, opinion going, I mean, to find out.

Mr. Van Thiel spoke but did not hear comments. (Mic was off or sitting too far away)

Well, what we do to provide them with whether or not we didn't have a court form or buddy what they're not going to do,

Mayor Barber stated as you say, Steve, it's a, new world.

Mr. Van Thiel spoke (sitting back from mic)

Mayor Barber stated I think any work that we do should include, Dan's perspective as well. It's been a long meeting. Thank you for hanging in there, especially, you, Michelle for staying all the way through. And, I thought about this, I read this quote a couple of months ago about goal setting when we were doing this. Do you recognize the name Zig Ziglar, familiar name?

He says this "A goal properly set is halfway reached". I wish that were true. The meeting is adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Kim Jordan, City Recorder

JAY BARBER, MAYOR