MINUTES SEASIDE CITY COUNCIL - (PUBLIC AND ELECTRONIC MEETING) APRIL12, 2021 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Seaside City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor

Barber.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jay Barber; Council President Steve Wright; Councilors Tita Montero, David

Posalski, Dana Phillips, and Randy Frank.

Absent: Councilor Tom Horning

Also, Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney; Jon Rahl, Assistant City Manager; Dale McDowell, Public Works Director; Kevin Cupples, Planning Director; Bob Mitchell, Building Official; Guy Knight, Seaside Police Lieutenant; and Kim

Jordan, City Recorder.

AGENDA Mayor Barber stated I'll entertain a motion to approve the agenda as circulated.

Councilor Frank so moved with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously.

(Frank/Posalski)

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Barber stated we have three really important proclamations to put on the record tonight and I've asked different people to read those. And, we'll start with Arbor week. And the Council President, Steve Wright is going to read that.

Council President Wright read the Proclamation for Arbor Week.

Mayor Barber stated the next one is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and we have two people from the Harbor tonight, please. Both of you come up, from, Julia Aikman and Emily Spalding. Thank you for coming to read this. This is work that you're doing every day at the Harbor, and we appreciate what you do for our community.

Julia Aikman and Emilie Spalding from Clatsop Community Action read the Proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Mayor Barber stated thank you very much, Julia and Emily. Thank you for the work that the Harbor does in our community. Thank you so much. And then finally our National Public Safety Telecommunications, and we're privileged to have Lieutenant Guy Knight, come and read the proclamation. Thank you Lieutenant.

Guy Knight, Seaside Police Lieutenant, read the Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Lieutenant. These are men and women that we never see, but we hope and pray that they will be there when we call. And they are always there.

Lieutenant Knight stated I would say they're the first person we call when we need help. I'm very thankful for them. And they sit there and listen to us. And unfortunately they sit there behind the lines and hear what's going on, but they feel it in their hearts. So it's nice to recognize them

Mayor Barber stated we are very glad to be able to recognize them.

COMMENTS – PUBLIC

Mayor Barber stated at this time, on our agenda, we have a slot for public comment. If you would like to address the Council on any item, not on the agenda, please feel free to come to that microphone in the center of the room, identify yourself and give us your address and confine your comments to four minutes, please. Is there anyone that would like to speak? We have a communication and writing from Sharon Johnson. Sharon Johnson, are you here, please come and read your, communication to us. We can read it for you if you'd like. Okay.

Councilor Posalski stated all right. I'll be happy to read it.

Mayor Barber stated okay. Into the record, go ahead, David.

Councilor Posalski read public record comment from Sharon Johnson. Seaside needs a designated campground for the homeless encampments at Mill Pond, and Tillamook Head, are generating literally tons of refuse. At the very least public dumpsters and porta-potties are direly needed. Citizen Brady Chandler has mobilized people to do sporadic cleanups, but with the summertime influx of illegal campers combined with the end of the eviction ban, we are facing a public emergency.

Mayor Barber stated thank you for your comment. Did you want to add anything to it?

Sharon Johnson, $125\ 11^{th}$ Avenue, Seaside, stated (The mic batteries were out and I could not pick up what Sharon was stating).

Mayor Barber stated we were very much aware of this problem. It is one of our main goals in this, Council year. And, Tita Montero is taking the lead on that. And, we are working on that. You will be hearing from us, there'll be a forum coming up soon and we hope you will be there to make your comments as well. That's right. And the city, our public works department has been very instrumental in helping, Brady as well. He is a hero. He really is. Thank you so much for your comments. Is there anyone else here that wanted to address the Council on public comments? Hearing none I'll close that. I made a mistake. I was supposed to read this statement at the beginning of our meeting. I'm going to read it now. A quick message on a reminder regarding our gathering procedures, we will be following the social distancing standards set by the CDC during this meeting, which includes masks, partitions, six foot separation, no handshaking and no other physical contact for the duration of this meeting. Mask should be worn for the duration of the meeting, unless you are taking a drink or cannot be heard through your mask. Your cooperation is appreciated and follows the guidelines laid out by the CDC, Oregon health authority, and Oregon occupational safety and health administration. Thank you.

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 those bills, with a second from Councilor Phillips; carried unanimously. (Frank/Phillips)

Consent Agenda: Payment of the Bills - \$330,593.12; Approval of Minutes March 22, 2021, and Resolution #3977- A Resolution of the City of Seaside, Oregon, Adjusting the 2020-2021 City of Seaside Budget.

. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

RECOGNITION – VOLUNTEER BILL CARPENTER

Mayor Barber stated now we get to do something really fun tonight. We're going to recognize some people, some that are here and some that are not. And the first one is to ask the, former, I think, commissioner of everything we do in Seaside Bill Carpenter, please come forward, we want to recognize you. I'm going to come to that microphone and recognize you there as a volunteer. (The mic was not working and I am writing from my best memory) Bill has volunteered for the Planning Commission, Transportation Advisory Commission, and Improvement Commission for many years and decided also to finally retire, right. But we really love to express our appreciation from the Council and city staff. Mayor Barber asked Bill Carpenter if he wanted to say anything.

Bill Carpenter, Seaside, stated he would like to thank the Council for giving me this great opportunity to spend some time with the community, depends on what needs to happen with something that we do. (The mic went out and could not pick up what else he stated)

RECOGNITION – CONTRIBUTORS OF SALMON MOSAIC

Mayor Barber stated some words Michael Hinton. I think we really should be recognizing him.

Michael Hinton, 1015 S. Irving, Seaside, stated I am recognizing you. (The mic was completely out and Michael left his paperwork with the Council and I used that for his comments). Honorable Mayor Barber and Councilors. Thank you for allowing me these few minutes to speak. I'm very grateful to you for your generosity and kindness to have considered and executed the wonderful interpretive plaque next to the Seaside Salmon Mosaic unveiled last year. It has been just a little more than 10 years since the first Public Art in Seaside was restored and installed on the new public building at Goodman Park in Seaside, 12th Ave & Necanicum Blvd. It is not only an honor to myself and family but also to the many volunteers who donated hundreds of hours to aid cleaning and re-formatting of individual tiles, among them Tongue Point students, artists Rebecca Read, Bill Lutz and William Owen and many others who helped recreate this Legacy for Seaside. It may never have happened at all! After saving the pieces for 7 years, but for the vision of then Director of Seaside Public Works, Neal Wallace, supported by City Manager Mark Winstanley and Mayor Don Larson, the search for a new home in Seaside may have ended. (and Lois Larson was the very first volunteer to join the team!) Now, current Public Works Director, Dale McDowell is the shepherd of our city parks, our mural and monuments, He does a great job with very little funding! Thank You Dale! I think the real lack of vandalism and graffiti aimed at the mosaic is a testimony and acknowledgment that it has meaning and value. (knock on wood) The story of the salvage of the original 84-foot-long mural and its preservation was a personal journey, both historical and artistic: to simply try and preserve what was a significant landmark that caught my eye on my first visit to Seaside in 1979. It is also a story of stewardship for longtime residents whose children and grandchildren now who can still enjoy its memorable grandeur! The undertaking was not without risk. The pending demolition would have sent the entire mosaic to the dump.

Even as the walls came down on the old Safeway, I tried to give the images or the Great Fish and Little Fishing Boat every chance at recovery. I have a video of the moment the mural wall came crashing down. Burlap purchased from the Montero Sisters was glued to the face of the tiled images of the Salmon and Fishing Boat. It held for the most part, but I had to "fillet" the images from the fallen wall with a large chisel and flop them onto pieces of plywood with the aid of duct tape; hauled away quickly to a safe place for nearly 7 years. Many buckets of loose tiles were saved to rebuild background elements including the Bird images. Dal Tile provided some additional matching tile. I investigated the history of the mosaic, its original designer, Richard Kennedy circa 1962, the original tile setters, skilled artisans who were also tied to the historic Timberline Lodge and the fabulous art legacies housed therein. Pete and Mario Ferrarin, foremost among them touched our lives with this installation and family visits to the restoration project! The Salmon Mosaic looms large as a significant artistic endeavor and has bonded me to Seaside forever as it has to generations of Seaside residents and visitors! It is still relevant today as symbol of our Stewardship and caring for our Natural History Park and dedication to what's best about our community! It is plain to see that the Covid19 Pandemic has made the public celebration of this plaque impractical, but I'm hoping to personally have a BBQ with volunteers who are still with us in late August while we honor another treasured Seaside legacy landmark, our Promenade! As we go forward into the future let us remember to invest in the many cultural legacies for our community and not take them for granted! On behalf of the many volunteers, I thank you again for this great honor!

RECOGNITION – SEASIDE BUILDING OFFICIAL – BOB MITCHELL

Mayor Barber stated the Council really, ordered the Building Official to be here. You didn't bring your drums or anything. Bob Mitchell the Seaside Building Official the work that you did at the school site, we heard from the Superintendent and the project manager there, the biases that we know, we knew that none of that would be happening as well. We ask you to receive our gratitude for work that was done above and beyond the call of duty. We really appreciate it. Thank you so much, please come up.

Bob Mitchell, Building Official, stated I guess I have to tell you I have working in Seaside for twenty-four years this is such a great community (mic was making sounds and going in and out). Thank you very much.

Councilor Phillips stated what a great representation of three very dedicated people to this community and, Bill, we're going to miss you. Over the years, all of the input and the extra time and energy you put into the different studies and reports that you turned into us, it was greatly appreciated, but thank you to you three. You've done a lot for this community.

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. (Third and Final 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 moving on then to the next item of business, which is the public hearing continuation, regarding ordinance 2021-01. Kevin, you want to give us a little update please?

Kevin Cupples, Planning Director, stated Mayor and City Council this is again an amendment that would, instead of having a one size fits all requirement for residential housing right now, our ordinance currently requires two off street parking spaces per dwelling unit with apartments. A number of the neighboring communities actually have a lower requirement when you get into apartments based on the size of the units, as far as bedrooms, this will actually create not a one size fits all, but would actually say if in fact you've got a studio or a one bedroom or two-bedroom apartment, it would adjust the required off-street parking in order to, not require as much as it would for a standard single-family dwelling or condominium. If you have any questions, I'll be happy to answer them.

Mayor Barber stated I know you will stand by in case of public comments, raise any questions. Thank you, Kevin. At this time, I will reopen the public hearing. If there's anyone who would like to address this ordinance in support of, or concern, please come to the microphone, give us your name, your address, and keep your comments to four minutes. Seeing none or hearing none, I will completely close the public hearing and open to Council comments.

Council President Wright stated I'd like to make, just one. I first saw this amendment on my term on the Planning Commission and part of the reason that I really wanted Bill to be here tonight is because this was Bill's idea. Finally, fruition of getting through and, you know, it took a little time and it was several years ago now, but, congratulations. And it just shows the perseverance of one individual keep pushing at it, pushing at it. And, we thank you.

Mayor Barber stated here, here. Any other comments from the Council?

Councilor Posalski stated just that I believe this is a good step towards us, working towards remedies on our housing issues that we have.

Mayor Barber stated yes, I agree. Well, at this time, I'll entertain a motion to read by title only or reading.

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

Dan Van Thiel read by title only.

Mayor Barber stated I will entertain a motion to adopt.

Council President Wright so moved with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously. (Wright/Posalski)

Mayor Barber stated any further discussion. Roll call vote.

YEAS: FRANK MONTERO, POSALSKI, WRIGHT, PHILLIPS, BARBER

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: HORNING ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC HEARING

This was the duly advertised time and place to hold a public hearing regarding an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Seaside, Oregon, Pursuant to ORS 223.112-223.132, Setting a Public Hearing, Extending the Term of the Assessment District for Economic Improvement, Known as the "Downtown Maintenance District"; Repealing Ordinance No. 2020-05, and all Ordinances in Conflict.

ORDINANCE #2021-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, PURSUANT TO ORS 223.112-223.132, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING, EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT, KNOWN AS THE "DOWNTOWN MAINTENANCE DISTRICT"; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05, AND ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT. Mayor Barber stated the next is a public hearing for Ordinance 2021-02. Mark, would you give us a little background on this please?

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, stated thank you, Mr. Mayor, as the Council is aware, Ordinance 2021-02, is an annual event for the Council. Each year you are tasked with putting in place, the downtown maintenance district. This, requires the passage of an ordinance that specifies what properties are included, and how much each of the properties is going to be charged in the downtown maintenance district. It is the same properties that have been charged in the past. I just want to make sure Council is aware of that. A couple of years ago, we made some adjustments, but there are no adjustments being made in this year's, listing of properties. Although in this a year, we have, asked for a 5% increase in, the assessment, as the Council is aware. We have put that before you, each of the last two years, and you felt that that, neither time was it appropriate. At this time, we are, putting this back in front of you again with a 5% increase. The ending balance in that fund has continued to go down. and while I can appreciate the Council's, concern about, making or having an increase in the assessment, somewhere in here, we're going to have to stop the bleeding, if you will, as far as that fund is concerned. The downtown maintenance district only pays for two contracts, the Sweeping Contract, and the maintenance contract for the gardens, and it simply is set up to generate enough money to pay those two contracts. Mr. Mayor, if you have any questions, I'd be happy to try and answer them.

Mayor Barber stated I think at this point I will open the floor to a public hearing. Is there anyone here who would like to speak, in support or in opposition to Ordinance 2021-02. If so, please come to the microphone, identify yourself and your address and keep your comments to four minutes, please. Hearing none. We do have in our packets, a communication from Rodney Roberts, the exalted ruler of the Seaside Elks Lodge, number 1748, asking us to exclude them from the district, based on their not-for-profit status. They, have asked us this in past years.

Mr. Winstanley stated yes, Mr. Mayor, you have heard from, the Elks in the past, as the Council is aware, because we are paying, the two contractors. We have a fixed amount of money that we need to generate in order to pay those two contractors. If the Elks were excluded, then you would have to, basically spread their assessment across the other property owners, and in the past, you have chosen not to do that.

Mayor Barber stated hearing no other public comments. I'll close that part for now and continue that for later, but right now, no further comments. Councilor comments.

Councilor Wright stated I don't know. It, seems like we've made the suggestion before that if, you know, I understand the Elks and their being a non-profit. I certainly understand that, but it means everybody else would have to pay more. And, one suggestion, I think we've made in the past is if they got a good deal of everybody else to say, yes, we're willing to let you pay less. We would look at that favorably and, not much we can do about it, otherwise.

Mayor Barber stated any other comments. I see that they are now, renting out their parking places. And, even though in the communication, he, doesn't reference that as expected revenue, but hopefully that will help them to be able to pay this without it being a burden. Any other Council comments, and if not, I'll entertain a motion to read by title only.

Councilor Frank moved that we read by title only Ordinance 2021-02, with a second from Councilor Phillips; carried unanimously. (Frank/Phillips)

Mr. Van Thiel read Ordinance 2021-02 by title only.

Mayor Barber stated okay, thank you. And this will be on our agenda for the second reading, at our next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Barber stated under unfinished business, we have vacancies on our Transportation Advisory Commission, Planning Commission, and a couple of vacancies on our Community Center Commission.

We had an interview this evening with a possible candidate for the Planning Commission. Does the council desire to take any action on that interview?

Councilor Montero stated I would like to move that we appoint Chris Rose to the Planning Commission, with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously. (Montero/Posalski)

Term Expiration for Chris Rose on the Planning Commission is November 1, 2021.

Mayor Barber stated moved and seconded. Any further comment, great choice, very highly qualified, 50 years in the contracting business, a longtime resident of Seaside. I think he will be a real asset to the Planning Commission. Under the, Transportation Advisory Commission, we do have an applicant that we interviewed for another, I think for the Planning Commission. And, he has applied. David you want to.

Councilor Posalski stated Mr. Mayor, I'd like to move that we appoint Adam Wood to the Transportation Advisory Commission.

Council President Wright stated should we nominate him first.

Mayor Barber stated do that first and then nominate him.

Councilor Posalski stated I'd like to nominate Adam Wood for the Transportation Advisory Commission, with a second from Council President Wright; Posalski/Wright

Mayor Barber stated it's moved and second that we nominate him. Now you can do it

Councilor Posalski stated I'd like to move that we appoint Adam Wood to the Transportation Advisory Commission, with a second from Council President Wright; carried unanimously. (Posalski/Wright)

Term Expiration for Adam Wood on the Transportation Advisory Commission is October 1, 2024.

Mayor Barber stated at this point, I don't think we can have any applicants for the Community Center one. We have one. Thank you, right.

Kim Jordan, City Recorder, stated this was one of the library applicants.

Mayor Barber stated Melissa Clark. Mayor Barber asked did we interview Melissa.

Ms. Jordan stated no.

Councilor Montero stated I don't think we did.

Ms. Jordan stated no.

Council President Wright stated we didn't interview her. No.

Mayor Barber stated I'll entertain a motion to nominate her and then we'll set her up for an interview.

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

Mayor Barber stated Melissa Clark for the Community Center Commission. Kim, let's get that scheduled for an interview at our next meeting, if possible. That'd be great.

Ms. Jordan stated I'll do that, thank you.

Mayor Barber stated thank you everybody. We still have one opening on the Community Center Commission, keep looking for good volunteers. We need them.

VACANCY – COMMUNITY CENTER COMMISSION

(2 Vacancies)

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Barber stated now we come to the part of the meeting that, our city manager is always very excited about. We've finished our audit and now, Mark is diligently trying to balance everything, every account. And that's what this is all about. Mark talked to us about it,

PUBLIC HEARING

This was the duly advertised time and place to hold a public hearing regarding A Resolution Adopting and Appropriating a Supplemental Budget Decrease of More than 10% to the 2020-2021 Seaside Road District Budget.

RESOLUTION #3974

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET DECREASE OF MORE THAN 10% TO THE 2020-2021 SEASIDE ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET

Mr. Winstanley explained Mayor, this is the best of all worlds. I don't know if, the people in the audience all came down here tonight just to listen to, us go through the resolutions, dealing with, making budget changes. But, I'm here to tell you if you haven't ever been in a meeting about this is the best part, you're lucky people that you're here tonight. Resolution 3974 is a resolution adopting and appropriating a supplemental budget decreased to the road district for the current budget. Again, the reason why we are making these and we're making a number of resolutions or looking at a number of resolutions tonight, and one of the issues that we ran into, was that, our audit were received several months later, this year than normal. And so that's caused us to kind of compress, all of these, into a one meeting. And, we have a lot of, changes that are being made to our budget, but they're being made just simply, to bring, the current year's financials in line with how the previous year ended. And, that's a lot of what's going on. The first one that you're looking at is for the road district, it's a separate government or separate, government. And, the City Council acts as that governing body. You act on this, on it as its own resolution. And we are asking you tonight, Mr. Mayor to reduce the budget because the beginning balance was less than we anticipated at the time that we put the budget together,

Mayor Barber stated right. At this time, I'll, ask for any public comments, hearing none. I'll ask if the Council has any comments or questions of Mark.

Mr. Winstanley stated Mayor this this is actually a public hearing. I need to have you open the public hearing, not taking any public comment, then close to the public.

Mayor Barber stated all right. Thank you for that. I'll open a public hearing officially for the record. Anyone wanting to speak in the public hearing. Hearing none, I will close. Do I close it at this point?

Mr. Winstanley stated yes.

Mayor Barber stated I will close the public hearing and ask for any Council comments. Hearing none. I'll entertain a motion to read by title only.

Council President Wright moved to read Resolution 3974 by title only, with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously. (Wright/Posalski)

Mr. Van Thiel read Resolution #3974 by title only.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Dan. I'll entertain a motion to adopt.

Councilor Montero moved to adopt, with a second from Councilor Posalski; carried unanimously. (Montero/Posalski)

RESOLUTION #3975

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET INCREASES AND DECREASE OF LESS THAN 10% FOR THE 2020-2021 CITY OF SEASIDE BUDGET

Mayor Barber stated now Resolution 3975.

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, explained as everybody in the audience can see the Council's just as excited about this as everybody else's. Resolution 3975 is a resolution adopting and appropriating supplemental budget increases and decreases of less than 10% to the 2020-2021 City of Seaside Budget. There were a number of funds that needed to be adjusted, but they're being adjusted by a small amount, less than 10%. And that's what this budget resolution will, take care of.

Mayor Barber stated and so I will open.

Mr. Winstanley stated Mr. Mayor, this does not require a public hearing but it would require public comment.

Mayor Barber stated explain why it doesn't

Councilor Montero stated because it is less than 10%.

Mr. Winstanley stated you are required to have a, a public hearing if we are making adjustments of greater than 10%. And we advertise those as public hearings, which is a legal and more formal process. But, this Council will take comment on things, even if they don't hold a public hearing. So I know that you'll invite public comment, if they like.

Mayor Barber stated any public comment on that. Bob, this is your chance to make some public comment in a Council meeting, right? You don't want to do that. There's the risk. I'll close the public comment and ask if the Council does have any, if not, I'll entertain the motion to read by title only

Councilor Posalski moved to read Resolution 3975 by title only, with a second from Councilor Montero; carried unanimously. (Posalski/Montero)

Mr. Van Thiel read Resolution 3975 by title only.

Councilor Posalski moved to adopt Resolution 3975, with a second from Councilor Montero; carried unanimously. (Posalski/Montero)

PUBLIC HEARING

This was the duly advertised time and place to hold a public hearing regarding A Resolution Adopting and Appropriating a Supplemental Budget of Greater than 10% for the 2020-2021 City of Seaside Budget.

RESOLUTION #3976

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET OF GREATER THAN 10% FOR THE 2020-2021 CITY OF SEASIDE BUDGET

Mayor Barber stated Resolution 3976.

Mr. Winstanley explained thank you, Mr. Mayor, probably by now, people can tell it's even difficult for me to make these entertaining. Resolution 3976 is a resolution adopting and appropriating a supplemental budget of greater than 10% for the 2020-2021 City of Seaside Budget.

Mayor Barber stated I'll open the floor for a public hearing. Any comments from anyone, if not, I'll close the public hearing and ask for any Council comments. Hearing none. I'll entertain a motion to read by title only.

Councilor Montero moved that we read Resolution 3976 by title only, with a second from Council President Wright; carried unanimously. (Montero/Wright)

Mayor Barber stated I'll entertain a motion to adopt.

Councilor Montero moved that we adopt Resolution 3976, with a second from Council President Wright; carried unanimously. (Montero/Wright)

Mayor Barber stated did we read?

Councilor Phillips stated he didn't read.

Mayor Barber stated for the record. This train is moving.

Mr. Van Thiel stated along way to drive didn't get a chance to read. Resolution 3976 was read by title only.

Mayor Barber stated we did read that and we did approve it and we did adopt it.

Council President Wright stated out of order, a little

Mr. Winstanley stated Mr. Mayor, yes, just for the audience. I want to make sure everybody realizes that the Council had quite a bit of time to go ahead and, read through all these resolutions. They're very lengthy, several. One of these resolutions was six legal pages long. I know that the Council had ample opportunity to read through it. Some of them ask questions before the Council meeting. I just, want to assure everybody that, even though it happened very quickly, all of you had the opportunity to, ask questions and look at it in detail.

Councilor Wright stated Mark is more than willing to answer any other questions that may come up after the meeting.

Mr. Winstanley stated probably to the extreme, correct Councilor.

Mayor Barber stated and we have a very detailed audit that really, moves this process into place. And once that happens, then you're able to do these reductions or additions. You have a balanced budget going into the next year and we're required by law to have a balanced budget.

Mr. Winstanley stated yes, you are.

VACANCY – CITY TREE BOARD

Mayor Barber stated we have a vacancy on the City Tree Board, and we need to get volunteers for that. It's a good opportunity. How often does that board meet Dale? Tell us a little bit about that.

Councilor Montero stated I think it is quarterly.

Dale McDowell stated the tree board meets every other month. We're generally about a 45 minute to an hour meeting. Sometimes we do field trips, go out and look at certain trees. We're also working on a, inventory of trees that will grow in Seaside. Seaside's got a little different climate than even Astoria because of the ocean. So we're trying to make sure that when people come in, they want to re-landscape their yard or build a new home. They can plant trees that we know that will survive here. So it's actually a lot of fun for that board.

Council President Wright stated how long did Mr. Olson serve on the tree board?

Mr. McDowell stated he was about two and a half years and he's actually moved from the area.

Council President Wright stated thanks for him serving for two and a half years.

(1 Vacancy)

COMMENTS – CITY STAFF AND OTHERS

Mayor Barber stated while you're there, Dale any comments that you'd like to make from the department.

Mr. McDowell stated spring break is pretty much over, even though it seems like we've had spring break for a year now, but officially it's, kind of over, the city's looking good. Things are going well. You know, it's like any town, we have our little issues. We take care of them and, a lot of projects, small projects coming up this year too, so we'll just keep plugging away at it. I wanted to say when, Michael Hinton was up and talked about the Salmon Mosaic, that he may not have known that in my corner, my portion of it, I had a secret weapon. I had Councilor Montero helping me with the wording on the plaque and making sure we got it absolutely correct. You know, once it's in bronze can't change, so we wanted to make sure it was right. Councilor Montero, thank you very much for your help on that too. And then sitting next to her is Councilor, Steve Wright, who has been helping with the, Northwest Act and we just submitted a grant for the Avenue 'S' Bridge. We actually put in for all three bridges, 'S' 'G' and 'U' Street. On Friday at the end of the day, it was submitted to Congresswoman Bonamici, the grant application, and all that went through and we'll see what happens. There's a lot of projects on the table for this, hopefully this, stimulus money that our president's doing. Thank you, Councilor Wright as well. All right. Thank you.

Thank you, Dale. Kevin, any comments you'd like to make

Mr. Cupples stated Mayor and Council. I just wanted to reiterate the thanks to Bill Carpenter for being on the City of Seaside Planning Commission. I know that's a lot of time commitment. I appreciated him as a Planning Commissioner and, I can't thank him enough for the time that he spent or the time you allowed him to spend with us. I'd also like to recognize, Bob Mitchell, I've worked with Bob. I actually worked with Bob prior to coming to the City of Seaside. I worked with him in Coos Bay and he is a phenomenal building official. I respect his opinion, his judgment, the dedication that he's put into the city, both cities, that I worked with him at. He's a fantastic building official, and I really appreciate working with him.

Mayor Barber stated thank you for those comments. Jon, how about anything from the Assistant City Manager?

Jon Rahl, Assistant City Manager, stated just a couple of quick things. One, apologies to the audience online. This microphone went out during, or was having trouble picking up during a portion of the early parts of the meeting. Even the best technology sometimes has its issues. We've got the batteries changed, but unfortunately there was a bit of that meeting in the beginning. That was probably tough to hear online. I apologize for that. The second thing I wanted to mention was the website. We're continuing to get good feedback in terms of what people like or don't like, our staff is doing a constant kind of observation. This is just another plug-in reminder that, if the community, the public has anything that they're not seeing on there, they're wondering where it was. One of the popular items is the police log, and that was kind of hidden. We got that in a better spot when you're, when you're putting these things together. Sometimes you don't see it the way everybody else does. We've now got that in a more prominent spot. And then any other comments, we obviously had a public comment coming today that was utilized, thank you for that. And just continue to use it and give us feedback. Thank you.

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Jon. Dan, any comments tonight?

Mr. Van Thiel stated it's good to be here. I'd like to say goodbye to Bob too. I have enjoyed working with Bob for a lot of years and he is a good guy to work with. And, I've always enjoyed his very direct and terse letters to people that he's not getting along well. And I've always enjoyed supporting him and seeing how much money we can get away from people. Good luck to you, Bob.

Mayor Barber stated okay, he's not leaving. He's just getting recognized, This Bill is leaving, but this Bob isn't leaving.

Mr. Van Thiel stated I was talking about Bob Mitchell.

Mayor Barber stated he's not leaving yet.

Councilor Phillips stated he told us, it's on record. We have five years left, at least five.

Mr. Van Thiel stated it is that late? He's going to be here another five years. Well, that's good. I enjoy, continue to work with you.

Mayor Barber stated keep at it. Kim anything you'd like to add?

Ms. Jordan stated no thank you.

Mark, you got the last word from the staff.

Mr. Winstanley stated well, Mr. Mayor, I just want to say that, Bob usually writes the letters and says, I'm going to fine you \$5,000, but you can have a hearing before the city manager and maybe he'll, mitigate that. And, so I'm the guy that always has to, sit there and give the money back. I have fun doing that part of it. I want to remind the Council that you have a budget committee meeting coming up. Your first meeting is the 19th of April. That meeting, you will be looking at the city budget. You'll be starting it, and you also be looking at the road district budget. Just to remind you, that's coming up on the 5th of May, the Urban Renewal Agency will be meeting, and you will have a Budget Committee meeting for the Urban Renewal Agency, so that needs to be on your calendar. I also want to say, it's truly been an honor, to work with Bill. He is so professional, so knowledgeable. It's one of those rare times where when, Bill spoke, I oftentimes thought to myself, maybe I don't know so much. He has been a pleasure to work with and, we will miss having you around. I also am very, proud of, the work that Bob Mitchell has done. You know, one of the interesting things is, that, I oftentimes get a phone call from Bob in the morning after he's written one of those letters where he's fining somebody \$5,000, and he's just calling me to warn me, that, letter has gone out. But, interestingly enough, I can't tell you, I have ever had a complaint, concerning Bob Mitchell, and that's pretty good when you consider the fact, he's writing letters that, tell people that they could be fined up to \$5,000. Bob does a very good job. He's very diplomatic, and we appreciate the work that he is done.

Mayor Barber stated thank you. All right. Good comments from the council. I'll start with David at the other end.

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Mayor Barber stated comments from the council. I'll start with David at the other end.

Councilor Posalski stated in honor of Arbor week, I did plant two trees yesterday. We're planning to have a parking, kind of a parking forum, at the convention center. Randy and I are working on that. That will be May 4th at 6:00 PM. And then the mayor and myself are going to have a meeting at the convention center, May 18th regarding, business recovery, bringing in local businesses to hear from them, see what we as a city can do to help the recovery efforts, for businesses, also 6:00 PM.

Mayor Barber stated and these are all in reference to our goals that we've individually taken responsibility for.

Councilor Posalski stated we were looking for an Urban Renewal Budget Committee member, and I found somebody for us. I don't know what the process is to get them put on there, Kim. Bill, I got to serve on commissions with you, two of them, transportation and planning, and it was fantastic. And I take, you know, pride in the knowledge that you finally retired after I left. So it had to be because I left. You were, a great counsel in learning the ways of the commissions. And I appreciate it very much. I spent a little time this afternoon over at the middle, the old, former middle school that now belongs to SEPRD, with the idea and the possibility of helping with summer workforce housing in some of that space. And it was just an initial walkthrough with Skylar and a couple of other business owners here in town, to start talking about what a vision could be for some of that space there. And, it was promising. So hopefully as we move forward, perhaps over the next year, we can come up with a space where we can actually bring, enough workforce into town to fill the needs of our community businesses and house them. That's all. Thank you.

Mayor Barber stated good. Thank you. Dana, at the other end.

Councilor Phillips stated Jay and I are working on our, succession plan and I do apologize Tita, I haven't been able to get with Tita, but getting older and the father going into hospice has been kind of an emotional roller coaster this last couple of weeks. Hopefully we'll start doing that next week, but looking forward to working on our goals.

Mayor stated Randy.

Councilor Frank stated well, a successful, multi-week spring break has concluded, I think, city services held up well and, I think that all of our, businesses appear to be happy and glad to see the tourist in town. Then I hear rumors that Hood to Coast might be back, which is always a big event. And then, once again with, you know, we're reminded, with Bob, the talented staff we have in the city, just very appreciative of that. And, then with Bill Carpenter, Mike Hinton, just great volunteers, bill who's given many years, with permission from Janice, we thank you both.

And, it's just more of the small town, flavor of Seaside and part of, what makes this such an attractive place to live. And, so hats off to all of you. Appreciate it.

Mayor Barber stated Tita.

Councilor Montero stated well, I have to take a memory back to when I first met Bob Mitchell in 2002. When I, first moved here and, I was project managing the rejuvenation of the Cornet building, which is where star furniture is now, but doing it too for my fabric store. And, Bob came in and inspected and there were several things that need to be changed. You were always, he was always so nice and we were under some big deadlines, but he was just so nice and, he explained everything nicely. I couldn't, you know, I couldn't do anything, but do it faster. I always appreciated that Bill has, been a source of good advice. I've always trusted what Bill and I've used him. I've consulted with him, over the years and really appreciated that you're always, forthright and you've always, given me good advice. So I really have appreciated that. And, thank you to Janice for loaning you out. I'm going to talk a little bit about, the goal that I've been working on for, homelessness strategies and, the Mayor and I met recently, you know, as I'm listening around to forums, I believe that with all of our goals, we are giving the citizens of our community more opportunities to weigh in and to learn and, to participate than ever before. We will be having four forums, May 6th, May 13th, May 27th and June 10th. They will all be at 6:00 PM. And, we will be looking at different aspects. One of the, one of them will definitely be a, what I call a faith based, round table where we hope to bring people from the different churches together to talk about homelessness in the city, what are churches doing? What are they able to do and sort of enlisting that part of the population. What I have been doing, as I go along is I've been doing a lot of one-on-one meetings with people. I work better, one-on-one right now for the sheer fact that every single person I sit down with, educates me and provides me. I consider, I'm talking with people who I considered, experts based on their previous experience, or maybe the profession they're in. I've sat with, quite a few different people. And I welcome more people. I have more on my schedule already, but I welcome, people to contact me, so that I can hear different perspectives in the last, couple of days. One of the things I concentrated on was RVs, and I've talked to a couple of RV Park owners so that I can understand a little bit more of the issues that, maybe people who are in RVs are, facing. Today I spent the day in Longview, one of the things I do is as I see, people writing on Facebook or different places that, something resonates with me about homelessness, I will reach out to them and ask them, you know, let's chat. And, so I, met a man that way, who is now a resident of our town, but he worked in, homelessness in Longview for 20 years. And Longview started with an organization that is now called Community House, dealing with homelessness. I went up and I took some tours. I talked to their executive director, the man who, I met the Seaside resident was their board president for years and years. And so he knows it inside out forwards and backwards. I learned a lot about how Longview has dealt with homelessness, both the city and Cowlitz County, they've dealt with it, with this. Community House now has four, buildings I'm going to call them. One is their shelter, where they can house up to 120 people. And I'm going to go into more detail at some with you on this, but that also right now has a daycare center, but they have a new building opening up that is a youth center, and they're moving the daycare over to that. Again, owned by Community House, they have one building that was given them by three doctors where they have, multiple offices for the counselors, housing, the wraparound services basically for, mental health addiction services and job counseling. So they're supporting the people. And then they have, a building that is right by the hospital, used to be a nursing home. And, it's called chess, but the building is for those who are, have disability due to mental condition or physical conditions, and they lack housing. I'm very impressed with their organization. They've tried a lot of different things. The city has tried a lot of things, and of course, we have to think about the difference in scale between Longview and, Seaside. Longview also has a 10th park, and that came about because, the homelessness activists, if you will, basically said, we want a tent park.

Mayor Barber stated what is it?

Councilor Montero it's a tent camp, right. And the city turned over a piece of property and they put port-a-potties in, and there's a, big dumpster. And they quoted me, I can't remember the number, but they have hundreds of 911 calls from there. It is not a good place. Nobody knows about the safety. There's no, background checks. You don't know who's there, you don't know how they're interacting. It's a difficult place, and that has, and one of the things that community house does, and there, they are sort of with a group called core health. They go once a week and they offer health care, mental health services, and nobody comes and ask for it. They sit there and wait, they go through and walk around and nobody asks for their services. So, they, and at one time the city, basically gave services to anybody at no cost for anything and found that didn't work in their city at all. We talked about choices. We talked about who has skin in the game. We talked about a lot of different aspects, but they've been doing this since 1988, and they have some very successful, in fact, some of the people I met working there were graduates of their own program and they offer them classes and that kind of thing. I see them as possibly being able to provide us information on how to get money, find buildings, and of course you got to think about the difference in size in terms of our, two cities. That's how I spent today. And, this as with everything else as I'm talking, one-on-one, I'm learning an awful lot. And I certainly appreciate the time that people are spending with

Mayor Barber stated thank you, Tita. We indicated, as we entered into this discussion is that we are not going to solve the homeless problem, but we're going to become more educated so that we can be more responsive and that's our goal.

And, we want to be able to, respond in a way that fits with our community. We're working on that and we'll continue on. Thank you, Tita, for spending the day you did, and for your report, Steve, I'll turn to you.

Councilor Wright stated I just, again, like to, make sure that we're, honoring, and we are, the three people that we did tonight. It's always great to see that happen at a Council meeting because it's out in the public that way. I just also wanted to say in particular to Bill, thank you that, it's really you that got me going into this. I watched you at the Planning Commission meetings decided, well, it looks like this is a pretty good bunch of people. And, I took, our last Mayor, Don Larson's advice and applied for the Planning Commission. And then, you've been a great mentor and, just a good person to talk to. And you to Janice. You've been, I always see Janice out walking and she walks so much more than I do. It's amazing, but, thank you for loaning him and being a good friend as well. And we'll see you around, especially at the coffee shop. Dale mentioned that the bridges, we did submit this one bridge. It was kind of a push. Dale did a lot of work. He got a couple of, letters of support. It turns out that there isn't a big pile of money at the end of the rainbow. Representative Bonamici is limited to \$20 million for her entire district, which stretches, you know, all the way into, close to Portland. Getting our 7 million out of that 20 probably is not too likely, but at least we're there. And there was only a limited number of projects were able to get in by the deadline. Even if we get some portion of it, it will be a big help. I have an editorial that is from the March 3, 1921 Seaside Signal. And I think it's very appropriate tonight. Seaside is constructing a wall and prominade on the beach. That is a credit to the entire state. Although there's been little mention of the fact, the City of Seaside is doing more improvement work this season than any city on the coast. And when all is completed, it will be in shape to invite tourists, to come to this coast where every comfort required may be had. It's all the people that, in those days, the city staff and the residents all work together. And I think we're still doing that today.

Mayor Barber stated excellent. Well, finally, I'll close with these comments that, I'll echo everything that's been said about Bill and Bob tonight. Thank you so much. And, also for Mike who was here. The whole issue is the staff of the City of Seaside working with a legion of volunteers. And that is not a simple task. People have other priorities, they do other things. They have work, they have families, but they commit a portion of their time to volunteer for the city. And, it takes good staff to be able to do that. So thank you to our staff, but thank you also to our volunteers who really make this city a great city. A quote that I'll close with tonight. I took a little chuckle when I read this a couple of weeks ago. 'Volunteers are not paid''. You know, when I was, campaigning for, my last, Mayoral run, I was knocking on doors and a little lady came to the door and I said, I'm Mayor Jay Barber, I'm running for reelection. I'd really like your vote. She said, I have just one question. What's that? How much do we pay you? And I tried to convince her over about 10 minutes that I am a volunteer, that I don't get paid. There are no monetary benefits, just a lot of stars in our crown, but that's the way it is. But this quote says "Volunteers are not paid. Not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless". Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT	The regular meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.		
Kim Jordan City Recorder		IAY BARRER MAYOR	