

1 Depoe Bay City Council
2 Regular Meeting
3 Tuesday, January 20, 2009 - 7:00 PM
4 Depoe Bay City Hall
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6 PRESENT: Mayor J. White, P. Cameron, C. Connors, D. Davilla, B. Leff, J. Brown, D. Zimmerman
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8 STAFF: City Field Superintendent T. Owings, City Recorder P. Murray, Recording Secretary
9 F. Dreamingtime
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11 I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

12 Mayor White called for all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
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14 II. CALL TO ORDER

15 Mayor White called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 7:00 PM.
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17 III. APPROVE MINUTES: January 6, 2009 Regular Meeting
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19 Motion 1: Davilla moved to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2009 Regular Meeting as written.
20 Connors seconded the motion.
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22 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was none.
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24 Vote: Motion 1 passed.

25 Ayes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White, Leff, Brown, Zimmerman
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27 IV. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

28 Motion 2: Zimmerman moved to approve the accounts payable as submitted. Cameron seconded the
29 motion.
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31 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was none.
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33 Vote: Motion 2 passed.

34 Ayes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White, Leff, Brown, Zimmerman
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36 V. SPECIAL ORDERS

37 There were no special orders.
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39 VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, OR STANDING COMMITTEES

40 There were no reports.
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42 VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

43 There were no public comments.
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45 VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1 A. Review Draft Animal Control Ordinance

2 Mayor White noted that a letter in opposition of this draft ordinance was received from Jeff Million and
3 Valerie Sovern, and a petition objecting to a limitation on the number of pets was also received. There
4 was lengthy discussion on the draft ordinance and Brenda Martin’s suggestions (copies of all attached to
5 original of these minutes), including a proposed requirement to show spay or neuter certificates. Murray
6 clarified that the council wanted mandatory sterilization for special permits. Murray was directed to
7 modify the draft ordinance as follows: Page 1 Item 1.D.: include statutory language from ORS; Page 1
8 Item 3.: incorporate Ms. Martin’s suggestion regarding “special permits”; Page 2 Item 6.: add “except
9 bird feeders and squirrel feeders”; Page 2 Item 10.: correct typo.

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11 Motion 3: Brown moved to eliminate the proposed animal control ordinance. Davilla seconded the
12 motion.

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14 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was additional
15 discussion regarding lack of ability to enforce, and the fact that the proposed ordinance is a result of a
16 complaint about feral cats.

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18 Vote: Motion 3 failed.

19 Ayes: Leff, Brown, Zimmerman

20 Noes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White

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22 Murray clarified that she was to re-word the draft ordinance and bring it back to the council.

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24 IX. NEW BUSINESS

25 A. Employee Safety Bonus 2008-09

26 Murray explained the policy of distributing the safety bonus, and requested authorization to disburse the
27 budgeted amount of \$3,840 (copy of memo dated 1/16/09 attached to original of these minutes).

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29 Motion 4: Connors moved to disburse the 2008-09 safety bonus of \$3,840. Brown seconded the motion.

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31 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was none.

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33 Vote: Motion 4 passed.

34 Ayes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White, Leff, Brown, Zimmerman

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36 B. Financial Oversight Proposal

37 Leff said this item was in follow up to the proposal she handed out at the last meeting. She met with
38 Murray, who has begun developing a report. She clarified that she was in no way berating staff. She
39 requested permission for the audit committee to move forward.

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41 Motion 5: Brown moved to continue developing financial reports to be in compliance with audit
42 requirements, and to report to the council on a regular basis. Davilla seconded the motion.

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44 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. A councilor asked why this
45 oversight had not come to the council before now. A member of the audit committee advised that there

1 has been no oversight; the laws have changed, and the city’s auditor briefed the council on this matter
2 last year, which resulted in the development of an audit committee tasked with financial oversight.

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4 Amendment: Brown amended his motion to include “to meet new regulations”.

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6 There was further discussion. A councilor expressed concern that staff not be micromanaged, and said
7 that sensitive information such as bank statements and payroll reports should not be distributed.

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9 Vote: Motion 5 passed.

10 Ayes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White, Leff, Brown, Zimmerman

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12 Leff said a sample report will be brought back to the council.

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14 C. Schedule Meeting Dates and Times

15 1) Joint Meeting with Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

16 May 6 was selected as the date for the joint meeting with the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.

17 2) Depoe Bay Urban Renewal

18 Murray advised that the agency needs to start meeting to discuss by-laws and budgeting. It was the
19 consensus of the council to schedule agency meetings before regular council meetings. The next meeting
20 of the agency will take place on February 17 at 6:00 PM.

21 3) Council Workshop – Goals, Priorities, Projects

22 Mayor White said he wanted to schedule a workshop to discuss revenue generated from room tax
23 receipts and to discuss economics. As an aside he reported that he met with Jim Kikumoto of Chinook
24 Winds Casino regarding development of an economic stimulus program to generate business in Lincoln
25 County, and several people in different areas of business have agreed to participate. Their next meeting
26 will be at 1:30 PM on February 18, at the casino. Returning to the matter at hand, the council workshop
27 was scheduled for Thursday, February 12 at 5:30 PM. Owings added a request to discuss city project
28 priorities.

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30 D. 2009 Special City Allotment Agreement #25,250 – South Point Street Improvements

31 Owings reported that the city attorney has reviewed the contract, and requested authorization to start the
32 project (copy of agreement attached to original of these minutes).

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34 Motion 6: Cameron moved to enter into the 2009 Special City Allotment Agreement with ODOT.

35 Connors seconded the motion.

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37 Mayor White said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. A councilor asked if it was
38 appropriate to abstain, due to living on South Point Street; Murray said abstention is not required for this
39 reason.

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41 Vote: Motion 6 passed.

42 Ayes: Cameron, Connors, Davilla, White, Leff, Brown, Zimmerman

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44 X. CORRESPONDENCE

45 There was none correspondence.

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XI. CITY STAFF REPORT

Owings 1) Said he has sent out Requests for Proposal (RFP) for engineering services for South Point Street, and is waiting for responses. 2) Reported on water plant upgrades. 3) Said the survey was completed but not recorded for the proposed land exchange between Little Whale Cove and the city, and the survey still needs to be looked at by a wetlands specialist before it goes on to the planning commission. 4) Community Hall remodel proposals will be opened January 28 at 11:00 AM. 5) Crosswalk ramp work is still in negotiation with RC Landworks.

Murray had no report.

XII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Davilla thanked the mayor for being a good sport at the last meeting.

Zimmerman 1) Taunton got the Relay for Life check. 2) He is interested in attending the meeting at the casino.

Brown 1) Said he is not against animal control, just dumb animal control, and that the majority of citizens are not doing anything wrong. He does not want to enact any more ordinances that cannot be enforced.

Leff 1) Agreed with Brown. 2) Watched the inauguration this morning and is proud of our country.

Cameron said the Bushes were booed by hundreds of thousands of people, and that we don't need those people in this country.

Connors suggested inviting the Chamber president to the meeting at the casino.

Mayor White 1) Said he hopes the country doesn't think Obama will change everything, because he can't. Today's inauguration shows we've come a long way. 2) He will be in Salem next week for a board meeting and Mayor's Day at the Capitol. He will be holding a press conference with the mayors of Pendleton and Nehalem. 3) Will be having lunch with Ray Knaff. 4) Said the next couple of years will be difficult, and that we should continue to work together for the benefit of the community. 5) Said he is proud of the council and staff.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

James White, Mayor

Fox Dreamingtime, Recording Secretary