

1 Depoe Bay City Council
2 Regular Meeting
3 Tuesday, June 20, 2017 - 7:00 PM
4 Depoe Bay City Hall

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6 PRESENT: Mayor B. Leff, C. Bates, D. Callender, R. Gambino, L. Goddard, J. Grant, J. Wiseman

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8 STAFF: City Superintendent B. Weidner, Recording Secretary E. LuMaye
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11 I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

12 Mayor Leff called for all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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14 II. CALL TO ORDER

15 Mayor Leff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and established a quorum.

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17 III. APPROVE MINUTES: June 6, 2017 Regular Meeting

18 Mayor Leff asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

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20 Motion 1: Grant so moved. Gambino seconded the motion.

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22 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded and called for discussion. There was none.

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24 Vote: Motion 1 passed.

25 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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27 IV. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

28 Motion 2: Gambino moved to approve Accounts Payable as presented. Wiseman seconded the motion.

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30 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was none.

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32 Vote: Motion 2 passed.

33 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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35 V. SPECIAL ORDERS

36 A. Lincoln County District Attorney – Michelle Branan

37 Ms. Branan was unable to be present (copy of email asking for postponement attached to original of
38 these minutes).

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40 VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, OR STANDING COMMITTEES

41 Mayor Leff shared a portion of an email (copy attached to original of these minutes) from a Little Whale
42 Cove resident who expressed concern that the City is not doing enough to prepare for the solar eclipse.

43 She said the Solar Eclipse Committee has been meeting for months, addressing most of the issues

44 brought up in the email. She introduced Jenny Demaris, head of the Lincoln County Emergency

45 Services Office, and invited her to the podium to provide a report on what the County is doing. Ms.

46 Demaris introduced Sgt. Carl Vertner, who was there to address any questions regarding patrol services
47 during the eclipse event. She spoke about the Lincoln County Eclipse Information Guide (copy attached
48 to original of these minutes). She said County public safety officials are anticipating long hours, extra
49 stress, and contingency plans. Everyone should feel free to go where they want and do what they want,

1 but to have patience, because there will be a lot of extra people here. Visitors who do not plan in
2 advance will probably end up in another town because they won't be able to find parking. Cellular
3 service is anticipated to be overwhelmed on the day of the event. Text messages may get through when
4 phone calls do not. Residents should know which of their neighbors have a land line, in the event they
5 need to call 9-1-1. ODOT is responsible for managing Hwy 101, and at this time there are no plans to
6 close one lane of traffic because the manpower needed would be overwhelming. Both lanes of traffic
7 should continue to flow unless there is an accident, a delayed car, or a law enforcement response. She
8 spoke briefly about Lincoln Alerts (copy of flyer attached to original of these minutes), and asked the
9 City to encourage people to sign up.

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11 Mayor Leff called Jaci to the podium to report on the activities of the Solar Eclipse Committee. Jaci said
12 the Committee is putting final stamps on a map for a brochure, and finalize a volunteer who will bring
13 other volunteers and employees who need a ride into town, to not add to the downtown parking
14 congestion.

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16 VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

17 Jaci addressed the Council on behalf of a citizen who couldn't be present regarding southbound
18 Williams Avenue where it narrows to one lane. She said in the past few years northbound drivers, who
19 cannot see around the corner to the two-lane area, are challenged to a game of chicken. She asked for a
20 sign asking southbound drivers to yield to northbound drivers. There was discussion; Mayor Leff asked
21 Councilor Callender to coordinate with Weidner on the posting of a sign, and report at the next meeting.

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23 VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

24 Goddard reported in the past two weeks he has made three trips to the legislature primarily regarding
25 dredging, and learned that many officials are on board with getting something done. He said the State of
26 Oregon now owns a dredge and they are coordinating with the Corps of Engineers to see if we can get
27 some monetary assistance from the Corps as well as fast tracking the permit process to get this moving
28 forward as quickly as possible. He said a drawback to the State-owned dredge is that it is 50 feet long
29 and would be difficult to maneuver in our harbor once the boom is on it. He said the Corps is on board
30 with the idea of dredging behind the check dam.

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32 IX. NEW BUSINESS

33 A. Request Waiver of Community Hall Fee – Senior Services Connection Group

34 Mona Miller, Community Director at Senior Services Connection was present to answer questions from
35 the Council regarding the group's request for fee waiver.

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37 Motion 3: Callender moved that we waive the community hall fee for the Senior Services Connection
38 Group for a once-a-month meeting from 8:00 to 9:00 AM and with no use of the kitchen. Grant
39 seconded the motion.

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41 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was brief discussion.

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43 Vote: Motion 3 passed.

44 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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46 B. Request Authorization – Employee COLA Fiscal Year 2017-18

47 Motion 4: Grant moved that we approve the 1% COLA. Wiseman seconded the motion. (Copy of
48 LuMaye's memo dated 6/20/17 attached to original of these minutes.)

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1 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded.

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3 Vote: Motion 4 passed.

4 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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6 C. Proposed Ordinance #313 – An Ordinance Amending #22 as Amended, Increasing the
7 Transient Room/Occupancy Tax from Eight Percent (8) to Nine and One Half Percent (9.5%),
8 and Declaring an Emergency

9 Mayor Leff said the public hearings were done at the last meeting, and asked for a motion to pass
10 proposed Ord. #313, which is an Ordinance amending #22, increasing the Transient Room/Occupancy
11 tax from 8% to 9½%, and declaring an emergency. (Copy of proposed Ord. #313 attached to original of
12 these minutes.)

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14 Motion 5: Goddard so moved. Wiseman seconded the motion.

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16 Discussion: LuMaye said a public hearing had not been held. There was discussion. LuMaye said there
17 was no legal requirement for a public hearing for this Ordinance and that people in the industry had been
18 notified, and the Council could move forward with adoption. Mayor Leff read the proposed Ordinance
19 by title only. There was brief discussion.

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21 Vote: Motion 5 passed.

22 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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24 D. 2” Water Line Replacement – Highway 101

25 Weidner said he got a quote from a boring company (copy attached to original of these minutes), and
26 said a 2” water line needs to be replaced starting at the fire hydrant south of the new mini-storage, and
27 500 feet to the south. He said the line needs to be extended to a manufactured home across from South
28 Point Street. He said the line has had numerous repairs, and feeds two homes. He said he can get a
29 permit from ODOT to place a new line almost on top of the existing line. If he hires a contractor to dig
30 it, put gravel in, and compact it, the cost would probably be over \$10,000, but if he bores it, the cost
31 would be less. He was unable to get more than one quote. It was not a budgeted item, but needs to be
32 fixed, and should cost under \$9,000 including materials.

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34 Motion 6: Grant moved to approve \$9,000 for the 2” line replacement as described by Brady. Gambino
35 seconded the motion.

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37 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was none.

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39 Vote: Motion 6 passed.

40 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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42 E. Hiring

43 Motion 7: Gambino moved that we go forward with the advertising and hiring process for a new
44 Accounting Clerk. Grant seconded the motion.

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46 Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded, and called for discussion. There was brief discussion.

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48 Vote: Motion 7 passed.

49 Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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X. CORRESPONDENCE

There were two items of correspondence (copies attached to original of these minutes): 1) An email from League of Oregon Cities regarding registration for the 2017 Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) Summer Conference in Lebanon from July 27-29. 2) An email from Oregon Wave Energy Trust regarding early registration for the 12th annual OWET/POET Ocean Renewable Energy Conference in Portland on September 13-14. Staff was directed to find out the cost for OMA conference registration.

XI. CITY STAFF REPORT

Weidner reported: 1) He forwarded to the City Attorney an email he sent to property manager fiveonline.com regarding Ordinance violations at an abandoned house located at 70 SE Ainslee. The property was foreclosed on and has been problematic for over three years. 2) Coast Avenue is complete. The final bill has been submitted. The punch list is pretty much complete. An issue has come up with people high centering on the berm at Fred Robison’s house; it will need a half ton of asphalt feathered into the driveway to prevent the high centering. 3) He has hired a new Harbormaster. 4) The flooding by the Tide Pool has been repaired by City Crew. It was caused by a split water line from the 1970s that wasn’t on any maps or as-builts. 5) The nurse who used to park at the Fire Hall requested and was given authorization to park at City Hall through March is still using the City Hall lot. There is a car there 24/7, and the lot gets congested. There was lengthy discussion. The nurse is Callender’s neighbor; Callender will informally ask the nurse to find another place to park, and will report at the next meeting.

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Mayor Leff said proposed Ordinance #313 required a second reading, and read the Ordinance title. Gambino read the text of the proposed Ordinance. There was discussion regarding a particular passage of the proposed Ordinance which the Council was uncomfortable with.

Motion 8: Gambino moved to approve Ordinance #313 at the second reading. Wiseman seconded the motion.

Mayor Leff said it was moved and seconded. There was further discussion.

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A. City Hall Temporary Business Hours

Mayor Leff said three office Staff are performing the work of four, but are having trouble and have requested to close City Hall to the public from 8:00 AM through noon on Mondays and noon through 5:00 PM on Fridays to have some quiet time to get work done. This would be on a temporary basis until City Hall is fully staffed.

Motion 9: Gambino moved that we approve the shorter hours of public availability for City Staff at City Hall from Friday at noon until Monday at noon. Wiseman seconded the motion.

Mayor Leff called for further discussion. There was none.

Vote: Motion 9 passed.

Ayes: Bates, Callender, Gambino, Goddard, Grant, Leff, Wiseman

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1 There was further discussion on the proposed Ordinance. Mayor Leff will research and bring her
2 findings to the next meeting. Gambino withdrew his motion and Wiseman withdrew his second. This
3 item was tabled to the next meeting.

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5 XII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

6 Callender 1) Confirmed the next meeting is scheduled for July 5. Mayor Leff added there will be a
7 public hearing at the meeting. 2) Offered to contact a financial planner who helps people plan their
8 PERS retirement and ask him to come talk to employees. Mayor Leff said to poll employees first to see
9 if there is interest, and then call Callender to let her know.

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11 Gambino said yesterday Senate Bill 327 on recreational immunity passed and went for signature.

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13 Grant said he loved everyone.

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15 XIII. ADJOURN

16 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8.31 PM.

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Barbara Leff, Mayor

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29 Emma LuMaye, Recording Secretary