

CALL TO ORDER The Regular meeting of the Seaside City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Don Larson.

ATTENDANCE Present: Mayor Don Larson, Councilors Larry Haller, Don Johnson, Tim Tolan, Gary Diebolt & Dave Moore.

ABSENT Council President Stubby Lyons.

Also Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Neal Wallace, Public Works Director; McKenzie Bauske, Student Representative; Rod Jones, Seaside Signal.

AGENDA Motion to approve the March 26, 2007, agenda; carried unanimously. (Tolan/Johnson)

MINUTES Councilor Diebolt stated that on page 6, paragraph 4, the minutes read “the team would meet two times a month and Councilor Diebolt asked to present the information at a future Council meeting”. Councilor Moore asked to present the information not Councilor Diebolt.

Motion to approve the March 12, 2007, minutes as amended; carried unanimously. (Diebolt/Haller)

CONFLICT Mayor Larson asked whether any Councilor wished to declare a conflict of interest.

No one declared a conflict of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA Motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$184,085.23 carried unanimously. (Haller/Diebolt)

VACANCY – PLANNING COMM. Mayor Larson stated there was one vacancy with four applications received for the Planning Commission. The applicants Kay Foetisch, Sara Fasoldt, Michael Hinton, and Richard Ridout were interviewed prior to the Council meeting. Mayor Larson asked Council what they wished to do.

Councilor Johnson suggested the nomination was postponed until the next City Council meeting when Council President Lyons would be present.

Council consensus to postpone nominating a new member for the Planning Commission until the April 9, 2007, meeting.

VACANCY – BUDGET COMM. Mayor Larson stated there were two vacancies with no applications received for the Budget Committee. Mayor Larson asked the press to advertise the vacancy.

ORD #2007-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, AMENDING CHAPTER 131 OF THE SEASIDE CODE OF ORDINANCE BY ADDING SECTION 131.24 REGARDING THE USE OF TOBACCO IN BROADWAY PARK.

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, stated the ordinance would restrict the use of tobacco products and tobacco paraphernalia making Broadway Park a smoke free area. This would require the City post the park as a smoke free area and a tobacco free area. At this time the proposal was for only Broadway Park since the park was centrally located with Broadway School, Head Start Building, Park and Recreation Building, Skate Park, and the new Library.

Mayor asked if there were any questions from the public.

Michael Hinton, 1015 S. Irvine Pl., Seaside, stated he was speaking on behalf of the new ordinance. The mission of the City of Seaside was to improve the livability of the City by offering exemplary public service for all citizens and guests, thereby creating a strong spirit of community and a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone. Mr. Hinton further stated the Proclamation for Strengthening Families and Improving Outcomes for Children and Youth stated whereas strong families hold the backbone of strong communities, and whereas the City of Seaside considers health and well being of the children and youth to be a top priority, and whereas the City of Seaside recognized that public safety, economic development, fiscal stability and a strong work force and educated citizenry all depend on the investments and efforts made to help families and children succeed, and whereas municipal dealers could play a decisive roll by taking action on behalf of children, youth and families and whereas the National League of Cities had developed a City platform for strengthening families and improving outcomes for children and youth, which outlined the essential task necessary for sustained progress, including identifying needs and priorities, promoting effective City School collaboration, encouraging and supporting youth voice and leadership, and measuring progress over time, and whereas the City of Seaside was committed to implementing concrete action steps as positive youth development, building youth assets, mentoring, and establishing a drug and alcohol free community, and whereas the City of Seaside joins city’s and towns across America and the nationwide initiative to promote family and youth friendly communities,

I Don Larson, Mayor of the City of Seaside, State of Oregon, adopt the National League of Cities' Platform for strengthening families and improving outcomes for children and youth. Mr. Hinton further stated he thanked the Council for the Proclamation that was read a couple of months ago.

Merlin Humpal, 2481 Oregon Avenue, Seaside, stated he would like to know what the penalties were for violating the Ordinance.

Mr. Winstanley stated each violation of the Ordinance by a person because of a person smoking or use of tobacco products was a violation subject to a \$100.00 fine. Enforcement of the chapter would be the responsibility of the Seaside Police Department.

Tara Finch, 474 Bond St., Astoria, presented the youth action team from Broadway Middle School who had prepared a small presentation regarding a tobacco free park in Broadway.

Ashlynn Yokoyama, Stephanie Camberg, and Tori Miller, who were from the seventh grade at Broadway Middle School presented City Council with a presentation regarding Broadway Park being tobacco free. There was a petition passed around Broadway Middle School with two hundred and fifty signatures collected in two days.

Donn Bauske, 322 S. Holladay, Seaside, stated twenty percent of adults in the State of Oregon smoked and if the Ordinance was passed Council was stating that twenty percent of the people in the City of Seaside could not smoke in the park. Mr. Bauske further stated there should be an area where people could smoke. The Ordinance was so vague that someone smoking that was walking by on the sidewalk could get arrested. The Ordinance needed to be cleaned up and not include the sidewalks beside the park.

Mary Blake, Sunset Empire Park and Recreation Director, stated on behalf of the Board and Staff at Sunset Empire Parks and Recreation District who highly recognized the Council's leadership for this particular Ordinance. Ms. Blake further stated she strongly recommended the Ordinance was passed because people needed safe and good healthy lifestyles.

Mr. Humpal stated a park without smoking was great but he was confused about the anti smoking campaign because the government seemed to want to tax smoking and there were many things dependent upon the income revenue. The government was playing both sides of the game.

Richard Bailey, Sunset Empire and Recreation Employee, stated he worked directly with the youths daily and would take the youths to Broadway Park. The problem was not just with smoking but also with cigarette butts all over on the ground or people spitting smokeless tobacco in the park. Mr. Bailey further stated he appreciated there was an Ordinance and hoped the Ordinance was passed.

Motion to place Ordinance 2007-02 on its first reading by title only; carried unanimously. (Haller/Johnson)

Motion to place Ordinance 2007-02 on its second reading by title only; carried unanimously. (Haller/Johnson)

Councilor Haller explained the legal protocol with Ordinances to the public.

**2007-2009 CITY
COUNCIL GOALS**

Mayor Larson stated there was a goal setting session and as a Council there were forty-two goals selected that would be discussed for the next two years. The list had been narrowed down to six major goals which were; formulate a strategic plan to address affordable housing, update systems development fees for parks and sewer, formulate a strategic plan for the parks system addressing maintenance and funding, provide for emergency backup power supplies at critical locations, formulate a watershed management plan addressing sustainability, harvesting, and expansion, and to acquire additional land for bio-solids applications.

Motion to adopt the 2007-2009 City Council Goals; carried unanimously. (Johnson/Tolan)

Mr. Winstanley stated he had taken the top six goals and formulated the list.

Councilor Haller stated he wanted to remind Mr. Winstanley that the transportation plan had thirteen votes just like the parks, watershed, and emergency backup.

Mr. Winstanley stated he might have missed that particular goal and would review the list.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Larson read a Proclamation on Arbor Week.

COMMENTS – PUBLIC

Mr. Bauske stated he spoke briefly about affordable housing at the last City Council meeting. Mr. Bauske further stated he put together a presentation about affordable housing that Council could use during the workshop on April 30, 2007, with the Planning Commission. Mr. Bauske distributed copies of the presentation to Council and discussed certain matters that were in the presentation.

COMMENTS – COUNCIL Councilor Haller stated there were four candidates interviewed for the Planning Commission and only one vacancy. Councilor Haller further stated at the next City Council meeting a member would be appointed. Councilor Haller suggested the three applicants who were not selected for the Planning Commission could apply for the budget committee.

Councilor Diebolt stated spring break began last week and during the weekend there were many people in town.

Councilor Moore complimented the Broadway Middle School Students for the presentation.

COMMENTS – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Mackenzie Bauske thanked the Broadway Middle School Students for the presentation and for getting involved early. Ms. Mackenzie stated the Safe Driving Assembly went very well. Ms. Mackenzie further stated there was not very much happening right now because of spring break.

COMMENTS – STAFF

Neal Wallace, Public Works Director, stated the playground equipment for Cartwright Park was ordered and would be shipped later this week and would arrive sometime in April. A community get together would be scheduled for April 28, 2007 and April 29, 2007. Mr. Wallace further stated he was hoping the community would come together to support the effort of putting the playground equipment together.

Mr. Winstanley stated he would like some advice from the Council. Every year there was an attempt to schedule the Downtown Maintenance District so the Ordinance would not need to be approved on an emergency basis. Mr. Winstanley further stated there was success in scheduling the meetings predicated on the basis that there would be a Council meeting on Memorial Day which was Monday, May 28, 2007. Mr. Winstanley asked if Council was willing to attend a meeting on Memorial Day.

Mayor Larson asked if there needed to be a decision right now.

Mr. Winstanley stated Council did not need to make a decision at this time. If there was not a Council meeting Memorial Day then the Ordinance would need to be approved as an emergency clause on June 8, 2007.

Mayor Larson stated he was not in favor of having a meeting on Memorial Day.

Councilor Tolan asked if there could be a meeting the following Monday.

Mr. Winstanley stated the meeting could not be scheduled for the following Monday.

Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney, stated there was an issue brought up about smoking on the sidewalks in front of Broadway Park and the sidewalks were in the right-of-way and nothing could be done with someone who smoked in the right-of-way. Mr. Van Thiel stated he would be absent during the April 9, 2007, meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Kim Jordan, Secretary

DON LARSON, MAYOR