

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

Present: Council President Don Johnson; Councilors Dana Phillips, Stubby Lyons, Tita Montero, Jay Barber, and Randy Frank.

Absent: Mayor Don Larson

Also Present: Mark Winstanley, City Manager; Dan Van Thiel, City Attorney; Bob Gross, Seaside Police Chief; Joey Daniels, Seaside Fire Chief; Neal Wallace, Public Works Director; Esther Moberg, Library Director, Russ Vandenberg, Convention Center & Visitors Bureau General Manager; and David Rankin, Captain and Training Officer; Chris Dugan, Division/Prevention Chief; and Louie Opatz, Seaside Signal/Daily Astorian.

AGENDA Motion to approve the April 14, 2014 agenda; carried unanimously. (Barber/Frank)

PROCLAMATION Councilor Barber read the Proclamation for Arbor Week.

Councilor Lyons read the Proclamation for the Seaside Culinary Students Nationals. Councilor Lyons asked the Seaside Culinary Students and teachers to come up front.

John Newman, Newman’s Restaurant Owner and Chef, stated Will Leroux who was the Corporate Chef from Martin hospitality and Josh Archibald, Wayfarer Executive Chef were the mentors for the Culinary Team. Mr. Leroux was not looking for praise but he was instrumental in the team effort that the Culinary Students were able to achieve. Mr. Larue had been a mentor for Seaside High School for numerous years and was one of the reasons the team had received a championship.

Mr. Archibald stated Mr. Leroux was also presented as “Mentor of the Year” from the Oregon Lodging Association.

The Culinary Team introduced themselves: Juniors, Celina Nicolazzi, Garret Rogers, Porter Johnson, Ian Kimbrough, and Senior, Adam Hutchinson.

Mr. Newman stated there were a couple of fundraisers coming up with a Monday night burger night in Cannon Beach, Catering for Lum’s for Customer Appreciation night, and a pizza sale on Friday at Seaside High School.

Bob Gross, Seaside Police Chief, read the Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

COMMENTS – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE Danny Leary, Student Representative, stated everyone was excited with Spring Sports beginning. The Softball season had started off good. The Track and Field teams went to the University of Oregon meet. The Baseball Team was off to a slow start. Progress reports were due on Tuesday with students scrambling to get reports finished.

COMMENTS – PUBLIC Kevin O’Keane, 2525 Pine Street, Seaside, stated Kiwanis was having their annual Pancake Feed on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Mr. O’Keane further stated there was a Golf Tournament for Camp Kiwanilong coming up on May 17, 2014, and there were people needed for the tournament. Mr. O’Keane further stated the Kiwanis Club was always in need of more members.

CONFLICT Council President Johnson 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 \$896,323.47; and March 10, 2014, regular minutes; carried unanimously. (Barber/Lyons)

VACANCY – PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Council President Johnson stated there was a vacancy on the Parks Advisory Committee with no applications received. Council President Johnson further stated the vacancy would be left open until April 30, 2014.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, OREGON, ADDING CHAPTER 118 TO TITLE XI OF THE SEASIDE CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mark Winstanley, City Manager, explained Ordinance #2014-03 was an ordinance that would institute a moratorium on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and declare an emergency which would allow the ordinance to be adopted at one meeting. When the legislature met in the last session it allowed for Medical Marijuana Dispensaries to be licensed in the State of Oregon. The State of Oregon also allowed local jurisdictions like the City of Seaside the option as to whether it would like to enter into a moratorium for up to one year while there was consideration of adding other regulations or conditions to be placed on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries. The Mayor and Council President asked that the ordinance appear on the agenda so that Council had the opportunity to address whether the City of Seaside wanted to enter into a moratorium or not. That was the purpose of the ordinance.

Council President Johnson stated before opening for public comments he wanted the public to know the rules: there was a two minute time limit on speaking, please give name and address for the record when speaking, and if in agreement with the person speaking please just say they agreed with the person. Council President Johnson asked for public comments.

Steve Geiger, 1803 S. Roosevelt, Seaside, stated he was the owner of Highway 420. The last time he came before the City Council the discussion was about keeping our business license for our retail store and how that could be accomplished. Council had stated then that since Highway 420 was not a state sanctioned medical marijuana dispensary which was not part of the original business license application and Council did not approve the dispensary but allowed the business to continue under the original business license application. Mr. Geiger further stated he wanted to take a minute to explain why he believed the moratorium was not appropriate for the City of Seaside. First and foremost there was a notion that the current dispensary rules made it too easy for criminals to abuse the system and needed to be changed. While some rules may need additional reviews and changes it was certainly no reason to throw the baby out with the bathwater. Mr. Geiger further stated from personal experiences the application was extensive and the rules insured compliance. The process of getting approved and certified was complex and was not easy to complete and was quite expensive to comply with. There had been \$10,000.00 already spent in compliance measures that included video cameras and recording equipment, security alarms, safes, POS systems, UPS systems, to ensure compliance with all rules and regulations. Mr. Geiger further stated second was the idea that Seaside needed time to figure out how to deal with dispensaries. The patients would have safe access, nothing more, nothing less. There had been no evidence of increased crime as a result of dispensaries operating in the City. The difference this time was there were many rules of how the State wanted dispensaries ran and Mr. Geiger was willing to work with the Council and the police chief to implement additional rules beyond what the state required. If there were any other concerns that could be addressed or any other concerns that the Chief of Police or other City officials may have that makes them think this moratorium was necessary. Mr. Geiger further stated finally there was bad that would occur if the moratorium was approved. Patients would suffer and everyone needed to understand that safe access was about much more than the ability to get marijuana. Safe access mandated that the patients have the choices necessary to treat the individual conditions. The black market could not and would not provide the necessary components to patients, especially ones who had trouble getting around. Rest assured there would be no good served with the moratorium and forcing patients to drive fifty miles to get the medicine. Mr. Geiger further stated the people of Seaside and the surrounding areas were watching Council's decision. There were many sick people counting on Council to come through for them.

Angela Fairless, 846 10th Avenue, Seaside stated she could not be the only other person that wanted to talk but was the only one who had red, white, and blue, pot leaves on her boots. Ms. Fairless further stated it was not a surprise that she supported medical marijuana but might have been slightly surprising however that she was not excited about Puffin Tuff and Highway 420 opening. Many of her fellow medical marijuana activists were surprised when Ms. Fairless was critical and skeptical of Puffin Tuff and Highway 420 and the motivations and the way that things were done. Ms. Fairless further stated there was now a state sanction possibility for regulation. Puffin Tuff and Highway 420 could possibly open a business and do a lot of good for the Community and have it be done in a safe responsible way that was regulated. Ms. Fairless further stated in 2010 she worked hard on the measure that was voted down by the people of Oregon and the City of Seaside by precinct voted it down. Ms. Fairless understood as representatives that Council would go with their constituents and Ms. Fairless did not envy Council's position at all. Now with Senate Bill 3460 and the moratorium people were also being stuck between local and State power. There was a struggle of power and the City Attorney who would give you the legal advice that the City had to abide by the Federal Government. That was legal advice riddled with a political opinion but if someone were a federalist and believed that federal powers trumped state then you would go with that. If you believe State powers trumped local you would go with that. Ms. Fairless further stated that she did not envy Council but admired and appreciated them for being in the position as a volunteer and because there were a lot of decisions to be made. Ms. Fairless further stated this was not an easy decision but would be easier now than in the past because there was the possibility of regulations and business owners that were willing to work with the City Council and the Police Department.

There would be more rules coming out every day and it was possible that now would be a good time to not pass the moratorium because there were patients who could not get to Portland and needed help locally.

Lana Lannigan, 79402 Hamlet Rd., Seaside, stated she represented Puffin Tuff and agreed with Ms. Fairless. HB3460 was intended to provide safe access for medical marijuana patients to receive their medications through a state approved facility. The medications were required to be tested along with a licensed chemist and there had to be appropriate labeling. The safety features were already in place with Puffin and Tuff such as camera's, safety locks, alarm system, panic button, and a variety of rules and regulations that a business would need to abide by. There were a number of people in this area that had no way of getting their medications and relied on the facilities to have safe access to medications. Ms. Lannigan further stated Council had to look beyond what people perceive as medical marijuana patients and these were people that really needed the medications. Ms. Lannigan requested Council consider heavily the moratorium and if nothing else at least give provisional licenses for one year and reevaluate the business at that time. Council could then make a decision if the business would continue.

Kindwyn Hoge and Leonard Hoge, 360 Forest Ct., Seaside, stated she supported medical marijuana dispensaries and was disabled herself but did not have to use marijuana because there were other things that worked better. There were people who needed the medicine and if there was not a safe place for them to get the marijuana they would find it in other ways. Ms. Hoge further stated on a different note and a request for the City that there was a beach cleanup machine needed because her son could not walk on the beach anymore without shoes because of all the driftwood and stuff on the beach.

David Thompson, 1635 S. Downing, Seaside, stated he was a medical marijuana patient and had been for six months and needed a legal source to go to for medical marijuana and was hoping to find it in Seaside. The people involved with medical marijuana dispensaries were good standing businesses like Highway 420.

Evie Shipwreck-Geiger, 1803 S. Roosevelt, Seaside, stated she represented Highway 420 and did not have a lot to add. Ms. Geiger was a paralegal and retired herself from the profession and spent the last fifteen years as a Compensation Adjustor for a third party administrator and she was well aware of how things worked. Ms. Geiger further stated she read the new law cover to cover in order for Highway 420 to receive a license and there had to be a packet presented with information on how the business owners would best represent and how the store would operate under the law and that could be presented to Council to show what due diligence the business had done to go through the law. Ms. Geiger further stated there were a couple of things that were missing and this was not just about medical marijuana being new, but was about the people and what happened in the Community and also how we are committed to the Community. Ms. Geiger further stated she had been a part time resident for twenty-five years and had a summer home in Seaside and now lived here full time and would be happy to work with the Council to explain any rules that were put in place. The process for people to get their Medical Marijuana License was not cheap and was long and drawn out. The cost was \$400.00 for each person and if their doctor would need to refer them for a license.

Mike Harrison, 380 Hilltop, Seaside, stated he was at the Council meeting to support medical marijuana. There was a legal way for people who had their marijuana license to purchase medicine. Council would put this off a year to see what happened and in the mean time these people would need to drive somewhere else. You can drive across the river and get it legally in Washington. Mr. Harrison further stated this was a difficult decision but Council was here to represent the people in Seaside and not Washington DC and he did not remember anything that stated the Federal Law had to be upheld. Mr. Harrison further stated he had dealt with Puffin and Tuff and there was not anyone who got in without showing a Medical Marijuana Card and the business just wanted to help people out. Mr. Harrison further stated he would appreciate Council not make everyone wait another year just because they could.

There were no other public comments and Council President Johnson closed the public comments.

Council President Johnson asked for Council comments.

Councilor Lyons stated Council had not really had a chance to discuss the issue because there had not been a meeting for approximately a month. Council did not know what this entailed without getting together as a group to discuss the issue. Councilor Lyons further stated Council could not help tonight but understood what the businesses were saying and the business proposition. Councilor Lyons further stated he had articles that dealt with Medical Marijuana and had questions like how many types of marijuana were carried, what was done for mold, what was done for quality, how were insecticides checked for, what hours, were employees trained, what do customers pay, how much do you sell to each patient, and how were records kept. Those were a few issues that needed to be discussed with fellow Councilors and that was not wrong if Council wanted to do it right.

Councilor Phillips stated this was really hard and as a cancer survivor and by the grace of God she did not have to use medical marijuana but supported medical marijuana because of patients that needed to use it. Councilor Phillips further stated there was so much unknown as far as the legislature and they had not done any good what so ever. As a City and speaking to the police chief, City Manager and fellow Councilors there was just so many unknowns. Councilor Phillips asked how Council could allow Medical Marijuana Dispensaries with so many unknowns out there. This was very difficult after listening to each and every one of you speak because she did know the sacrifice people in the Community went through to get their medical marijuana and that should not be happening.

Councilor Lyons asked the City Attorney what was happening at his part of the State.

Dan VanThiel, City Attorney, stated most of the communities had a consideration or passed an ordinance that was similar in form to the ordinance placed before Council. There had been different versions because of conversations on the list serve with County Lawyers and on a list serve with City Attorney's. The ordinance created a moratorium that provided communities an opportunity to look at the various aspects. The purpose of the moratorium was to stop the issuance or the potential application because there were multiple people coming in and asking for business licenses for one year. Mr. VanThiel further stated the citizens of Oregon would be voting on the legalization of marijuana period and not just medical marijuana facilities. Baker City had the same type of ordinance to create a moratorium to study the issues and suggested flaws with the legislature.

Mr. Winstanley stated he wanted to clarify the ordinance would hold in advance for up to one year. As soon as Council felt the issues had been addressed with Medical Marijuana Dispensaries then Council had the ability to come back and repeal the ordinance and adjust other ordinances that had conflict. A conflict had already taken place because the business license ordinance stated all businesses had to comply with local, state, and federal law. If Council wanted to license medical marijuana dispensaries then adjustments to the City's ordinance would need to be made so that it was acting in accordance with its own laws. Entering into a moratorium did not need to take up to a year but allowed Council the time to be in compliance with its own laws.

Councilor Montero stated Mr. Geiger, Highway 420 stated he was the only business in Seaside that was issued a Medical Marijuana Dispensary License from the State and Councilor Montero asked Ms. Lannigan if she had a Medical Marijuana Dispensary license from the State.

Ms. Lannigan stated Puffin and Tuff was waiting for approval from the State.

Councilor Montero stated the moratorium was up to one year and did not mean it was going to take a year. Councilor Montero further stated she appreciated that Mr. Geiger gave Council suggestions for buffers. If Council did not approve a moratorium tonight basically what was being said was that Medical Marijuana Dispensaries could do what they wanted. These things should not be done over night and should be done right to make everything work in the City of Seaside. The moratorium was not a purpose to deny anything but gave Council time to get everything right the first time or the City could be fighting it the rest of the time.

Mr. Geiger stated the law was debated extensively for months and months and was in the news. This issue had been before the Council a few months back with Mr. Geiger's Highway 420 business license. For this Council today to say they were not prepared was very disappointing and there was no reason for this Council to not be prepared to deal with this issue today.

Council President Johnson stated Council was not going to enter into a debate.

Councilor Barber stated in his work outside of the City Council he had dealt with people who use medical marijuana such as cancer survivors and people in hospice, and people who had to deals with pain relief and anxiety. There were patients treated with medical marijuana who had MS and Glaucoma patients. Right now twenty-one of fifty states had approved licensing or legalizing marijuana in the United States. Councilor Barber further stated he supported the approval of licensed medical marijuana dispensaries in Seaside and did not like seeing people having to get it illegally. Councilor Barber further stated he agreed with Council and was concerned that there was a lack of specific regulations that were not included in the State mandate and was passed in a short session. The reason there was not more quality data because it was a short session decision with the anticipation that it would be legalized in November, 2014, for recreation use. Councilor Barber further stated for those reasons he supported the moratorium but on a very fast track basis and for Council to deal with this very forthrightly and quickly so a decision could be made before a year.

Council President Johnson stated if the moratorium was not decided by May 1, 2014, then all the cards would be dealt and the City would have no control. Council President Johnson liked having a little control and to hear what the citizens have to say about the issue and make things work right. Council needed the moratorium and to get everyone on the same page about Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and to have the time to accomplish that.

Councilor Frank stated he would have to disagree with Mr. Geiger when he stated that Council should think the same way he does and everything had been disclosed for Council to know about and that was just not true. There was a lot of stock in what the Police Chief and the City Attorney had to say and because of the unknown questions in our minds like how would they deal with DUI's where marijuana was involved, and how do you know if people were using on the street or were just at home self medicating. Those were just a few of the questions that would be discussed. Councilor Frank further stated he would support the moratorium which would give Council time to make important decisions on the issues at hand. What if marijuana became legal in November, 2014, and if Council allowed the dispensaries now then it would be for no use. Councilor Frank stated he knew that people needed medical marijuana and was not against it.

Motion to place Ordinance 2014-03 on its first reading by title only; carried unanimously. (Barber/Phillips)

Motion to place Ordinance 2014-03 on its second reading by title only; carried unanimously. (Montero/Frank)

Motion to place Ordinance 2014-03 on its third reading by title only; carried unanimously. (Frank/Phillips)

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-03; carried with the following roll call vote: (Barber/Montero)

YEAS: PHILLIPS, LYONS, JOHNSON, MONTERO, BARBER, FRANK

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: LARSON

ABSTAIN: NONE

Council President Johnson stated City Council agenda item 11b – Consideration business license medical marijuana for Club Puffin and Tuff, and item 11c – Consideration business license medical marijuana for Highway 420 would not be taken into consideration with the moratorium that was approved.

Mr. Geiger stated this was an election year and Councils seats were all up.

SEASIDE FIRE DEPT. ANNUAL REPORT

Joey Daniels, Seaside Fire Chief, stated this was an emotional year for the family at Seaside Fire and Rescue. We mourned the loss of our Secretary Karna Cupples and former volunteer and Street Foreman Mark Agalzoff. Both were assets to the department, as well as, wonderful people and supporters of the city. They were loved and will be missed. Chief Daniels further stated Seaside Fire and Rescue responded to 958 calls in 2013. The department averaged 35 dedicated volunteers throughout the year and had an average of 10 personnel responding to each call. As you will see in this report, we have been very active in the following; prevention, inspections, investigations, trainings, meetings, lifeguard program, and CERT. The department was also involved in training other city staff such as the Library, Convention Center, and Police Department. Seaside Fire and Rescue actively assists in community activities such as National Night Out, 4th of July Fireworks, Seaside School Sports, Safety Fair, Car Seat Clinic, County wide CERT training, and many more. Chief Daniels further stated as the department continued to train to serve our citizen with a professional department, the department has begun to embrace technology. This year the department had researched and tested several operational platforms to assist our officers and firefighters with response. EnRoute Pro and Emergency Response have been purchased and were beginning to be put in service. EnRoute Pro is a database program that allowed information including Emergency Operation Plans, Mass Causality Incidents, Mutual Aid Alarms and departmental fire and medical protocols which gave the team the ability to access critical information in the field, during operations. Emergency Response was a web based program that assisted in training, inspections, and vehicle & equipment maintenance. As a volunteer department, training was paramount and a volunteer's time was always in the forefront of our decision making process. The program assist the firefighter with computer based training that can be completed from home, as time permitted and both programs would be loaded on the department's iPads and put into service. Chief Daniels encouraged the Council and public to check out the fire department's website at www.seasidefire.com and like us on Facebook. Chief Daniels further stated at the annual banquet, the department celebrated members and recognized volunteers that had given many years of service. There were two Captains that retired, Captain Tony Biamont with 22 years of service, and Captain Don Beck with 20 years of service. Lieutenant David Oxley also earned his 10 year service pin. Other awards included: Fire Officer of the Year, Captain David Rankin; Firefighter of the Year Jacob Rose; Emergency Medical Provider of the year Genesse Dennis. There were vacancies on the organizational chart because of the retirements. Chief Daniels showed pictures of the fire department fleet and there was a comparison chart with the number of calls that were responded to.

Chris Dugan, Division/Prevention Chief, stated about four years ago all the activities like calls, drills, and training were counted all together. The last couple of years reflected the actual emergency calls that were responded to and the past year had been very busy.

Chief Daniels stated in 2011 there were only calls tracked and the drills and training were tracked separately and added to charts. .

David Rankin, Seaside Fire Department Captain and Training Officer, stated the report detailed Training and Certifications that the firefighters had achieved and continued to maintain. Many people in the community think the Firefighters only train on Wednesday nights. In fact, only a small part of a Seaside Firefighter's training occurred on Wednesday nights, we use these nights to maintain our skills, practice on techniques, and place in service new tools, equipment, and tactics. For someone to actually work on getting a certification had many more hours, mostly on weekends and nights and were devoted to travelling to different departments throughout the county and even the state to attend classes and trainings. 2013 saw the department take training in a different direction in dividing the year up into themed quarters. This allowed the department to focus 3 months on a particular set of skills: The first quarter of the year was devoted to "Engine Operations". The second quarter was devoted to mobile water supply (smoothly moving large amounts of water to a fire scene in areas without the protection of fire hydrants), preparing for wildland season, and spending time working as a team and individual companies. Third quarter was the "Free Quarter"; during the peak of the summer the department could complete more scenarios, and focus more on skills and drills that firefighters thought were most valuable throughout the last year. Lastly, the fourth quarter was set aside for "Truck Ops"; Seaside still remains as only one of 2 departments in the county with a Ladder Truck. Many certifications can take up to a year or longer to complete, 2013's numbers look a little smaller but 2014 promised to skew the numbers the other way towards above average as many personnel started their on-the job training for multiple levels of certification and completed their required classroom training. Captain Rankin further stated each Firefighter 1 continues to be the backbone of the Fire Department. All of Seaside's firefighters were required to get this certification to stay working with the department. Firefighter 2 was a progressive step above Firefighter 1, often called Senior Firefighter. Members who get this certification spend time with additional classroom training, attend college for fire science courses, and must complete additional on-the job training. Often times FF 2's lead a crew, and can be relied on for their experience and knowledge. Apparatus Driver/Operator class is a 16 hour classroom and hands-on training on how to properly and safely inspect, drive, and operate the large and complicated apparatus that fire departments use to conduct operations. Perspective driver/operators must then complete many hours of driver's training to get certified. All drivers in the department must complete yearly refresher training. A Pumper Operator is a specialty certification that Driver's get after an additional 32 hour classroom/hands-on training learning how to properly run engines to supply fire firefighters with the correct amount of water pressure and gallons per minute to safely and effectively put out a fire. This is one of the hardest certifications to truly master, requiring knowledge on such things as theories, pump mechanics, friction loss and gain, operating nozzles at the correct pressure, and running multiple attack and supply lines. Aerial Operators are an elite group of Apparatus Operators who can effectively run the ladder truck at fires and place it allowing firefighters to work off of the ladder or rescue victims in a building where the ground ladders may not reach. Aerial operator class is an additional 24 hours of classroom and hands on training after a firefighter has been a certified Driver and Pumper Operator. Hazardous Materials Responder's are trained to respond to hazardous materials incidents and protect people, the environment, and property from further damage from the release of the chemical. Often times they set up the perimeter, possibly identify the material, initiate the response of a HazMat Team, and assist with setting up decontamination and treatment areas. Seaside Firefighters continued to train and build our skills based on wildland firefighting. While statistically most of the "Wildland" fires are on the beach, Clatsop County had historically had some large, damaging fires. Nationwide, small wildland incidents remain high on injuring and killing firefighters, the best way to mitigate this problem was to train for it and expand the ability to combat wildfires effectively. 2013 saw Seaside sending out an engine with the Clatsop County Taskforce to help agencies from all over Oregon, Washington, and The Federal government protects the citizens of The Dalles from the Government Complex fire. With the number of medical calls increasing every year more and more volunteers are finding themselves joining to fight fires, and are caring for the sick and injured citizens and visitors to our city. Captain Rankin further stated there were four levels of medical care professionals, first was the Emergency Medical Responders (EMR's), this is a minimum 60 hour class. Second Level was Emergency Medical Technicians, 160 hours of class before being eligible to take the national test and receive their certification. This class was offered at Clatsop Community College every fall and ran through the winter term. Third Level was Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate, this is an additional 160 hours of training above being an EMT, they have advanced knowledge of cardiac and pain drugs, and were able to start IV's, and interpret cardiac rhythms on the heart monitor. The fourth and highest level were Paramedics, their courses are over 1000 hours, Seaside Fire was very glad to see in 2012 there were 5 paramedics volunteering for the citizens of Seaside. Captain Rankin further stated Seaside Fire and Rescue continued to participate actively with other Clatsop County Fire agencies in groups such as the Clatsop County Fire Training Committee, Clatsop Fire Investigation Team, Clatsop County High Angel Team, Hazmat 11, Clatsop County Firefighters Association, and the Clatsop County Fire Defense Board.

Division Chief Dugan stated the initial attack starts with fire prevention. The Prevention Division of Seaside Fire & Rescue was committed to providing for our citizens and visitors a safer place to live, work or visit.

To accomplish this mission, the Prevention Division was involved in a variety of activities such as, inspection program for businesses, juvenile fire setter intervention program, fire investigation of all department fires, pre-fire planning of target high risk commercial structures, fire extinguisher education for community members as well as city staff, fire safety education for children, as well as general safety programs for adults. All reported fires were investigated by Seaside Fire and Rescue investigators and may be assisted by members of the Clatsop County Fire Investigation Team to determine the origin and cause. The City of Seaside and the Seaside Rural Fire Protection District had a total of 27 fires, (10 structures, 7 vehicles, 6 natural vegetation, and 4 other fires that were investigated). The information discovered from investigations may be forwarded to police agencies for prosecution consideration. Information discovered may also aid fire prevention efforts by discovering problem areas that may require corrective educational efforts or enforcement emphasis in order to prevent similar incidents from occurring in the future. Division Chief Dugan further stated In 2013, the Prevention Division conducted an estimated 130 fire and life-safety inspections in businesses, schools, daycares, churches and assisted care facilities. From those inspections 155 violations were noted and 153 were abated. The Seaside City Ordinances, The Oregon Fire Code, as well as National Fire Protection Association's National Fire Code are used as reference guides in conducting inspections. Inspections allow Seaside Fire to ensure compliance to local and national standards, as well as increase our familiarity with pertinent information such as building construction, utility shutoff locations, and potential hazards associated with a particular occupancy. The goal of Seaside Fire and Rescue Department in 2014 was to inspect all remaining businesses. Division Chief Dugan further stated Fire officers met once a month to tour high risk businesses and occupancies. These visits assisted officers first arriving at a scene to become accustomed to access locations, building construction, alarm systems, sprinkler locations, and utility shutoffs. The information found in these tours greatly helped officers with addressing issues in a swift and timely manner. In 2014 Seaside Fire and Rescue would continue developing an electronic data base program on commercial and high risk buildings in the Seaside Fire and Rescue response area. Public Fire and Life Safety Education Public education was viewed as an ongoing process that occurred informally as well as formally. Paid staff as well as the department's volunteers stressed the importance of living, working and playing safely as the department interacts with the community in day to day operations. Walk-in tours of the fire department sets an excellent stage for the department personnel to emphasize good safe practices for all ages. Formally Seaside Fire and Rescue schedules appearances and presentations at schools, churches, community centers, assisted living facilities, as well as private businesses. Some of the more noteworthy appearances were at the Seaside Safety Fair, held in May hosted by North Coast Safe Kids, Seaside Fire and Rescue, Seaside Police Department, United States Coast Guard, Clatsop County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, Medix Ambulance. Car seat technicians inspected and installed many car seats. Over 100 children and 50 parents from the Seaside area participated in everything from crosswalk safety, bike safety, and fire safety in the home. In August, Seaside Fire and Rescue personnel were on hand at the National Night Out celebration to answer any questions about fire safety. Crews were at Cartwright Park and Broadway Park handing out fire hats and coloring books to children. In 2013 the prevention team was instrumental in writing a grant for an inflatable fire safety house. The Clatsop County Juvenile Department's Community Investment Funds awarded The Clatsop County Firefighter Association over \$10,000 for the purchase. This tool was used already several times by Seaside Fire and Rescue to educate children and community members. Numerous station tours were conducted by local preschools, schools and assisted living facilities, with well over 300 children and parents attending. Station visits give us an excellent opportunity to educate visitors on fire safety while building relationships within the community. Division Chief Dugan further stated in 2012 Seaside Fire and Rescue saw 21 structure fires with an estimated 2 million dollar loss. In 2013 we answered 10 responses to structure fires, with a total of just under \$30,000 in losses. It is understood that this tremendous reduction in loss was not the norm, yet it is hoped that with our preventing efforts this positive trend will continue.

Chief Daniels stated the reason that the Seaside Fire Department received the Bouncy House was because Division Chief Dugan wrote the grant that was awarded.

Captain Rankin further stated the lifeguards were highly trained, professionals who served as ambassadors of the City of Seaside to the visitors of the beach. Each one of the Lifeguards maintained high standards in: Ocean rescue skills, prevention, physical fitness, courtesy, training, and professional appearance. The Beach Lifeguards encountered many changes in 2013 with the addition of a new manual outlining their job duties, new procedures, and equipment, including a new rescue board, and an improved training program. 2014 promises to bring about more changes the lifeguards can look forward too, including better seats in the Lifeguard tower. The Beach Lifeguards promoted safety through interaction with the public, recognizing a potential emergency before it occurs and making positive changes, assisting persons with questions about the city, providing help to people with special challenges on navigating the sand from the promenade to the beach, and rescuing persons in imminent danger from the Ocean. Lifeguards currently had only two options to enter the water for a rescue, via 3 of our custom built Rescue Boards, or with fins and a rescue tube.

Chief Daniels stated on behalf of Seaside Fire and Rescue, the fire department would like to thank the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, City Staff, and the citizens for your continued support, and for allowing this report to be presented.

**APPROVAL –
ROCC GRANT**

Esther Moberg, Seaside Library Director, stated the Seaside Public Library had received a joint grant for the past four years (FY 2010-2014) with City of Astoria as the fiscal agent. The two libraries submitted a request for a fifth and final year of the grant. The Astoria Public Library was in the midst of starting a capital campaign project with fundraising toward the renovation of their library building, the Astoria Public Library and City of Astoria requested the City of Seaside become the fiscal agent for the last year of the grant. Ms. Moberg further stated the grant was awarded annually by the Oregon Stated Library through their Library Services and Technology Act grant that was disbursed in part from the Institute of Museum and Library Services at the federal granting level. The grant was titled “Rural Outreach to Children of Clatsop County” (ROCC) with a focus on providing access to library services for all youth in Clatsop County. Ms. Moberg further stated over the past four years the Seaside and Astoria Libraries had built a successful model of access and services that included a partnership with the schools in Knappa and Jewell, a county wide summer reading program for all youth in Clatsop County. The libraries had the backing of the State Library because of their target to support reaching un-served populations with library services in key counties across Oregon that do not have countywide library systems. The grant was a reimbursement grant. Typically once requests for payments were received the state would reimburse with grant monies. Ms. Moberg further stated last year’s grant total came to \$95,040.00, and this year there was a request for a total amount of \$100,580.00, which was the amount the City would need to budget in order to receive and expend the grant. By the end of year five, all money must be paid out in strict accordance with the grant. Ms. Moberg further stated the advantages of participating in the grant for the Seaside Public Library included better access to local materials and services, increased use of the library by children in the Seaside School District, increased community partnerships, increased collaboration between local libraries and schools, and finally, a firm commitment to the children and youth of the community. In addition, last year the library received \$5,000.00 in money from the grant for the library’s youth book collections, and the city received between \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 in additional reimbursement funds.

Motion approving the City of Seaside become the fiscal agent for the Rural Outreach in Clatsop County (ROCC) Grant; carried unanimously. (Montero/Frank)

**VACANCY –
CONVENTION CENTER
COMMISSION**

Council President Johnson stated there was one vacancy on the Convention Center Commission with Mark Pasalski resigning. Council president Johnson stated the vacancy would be open for applications. Council President Johnson asked the press to advertise the vacancy.

COMMENTS – COUNCIL

Councilor Montero asked when the next Child Safety Fair would be.

Bob Gross, Seaside Police Chief, stated the Child Safety Fair was scheduled for May 17, 2014.

Councilor Frank stated he received a phone call from Pacific Power which was a scam because they were going to shut the power off because of being behind in payments. Councilor Frank further stated he reported the incident to Pacific Power.

COMMENTS – STAFF

Neal Wallace, Public Works Director, stated the City of Seaside Arbor Day Celebration would be on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, 4:30 pm, with a tree planting at the Seaside Museum.

Ms. Moberg stated she had a Visioning Update for Council with 525 total surveys received. The survey was still open and a presentation would be given on the surveys. There were topics that were being recommended and Ms. Moberg presented the information to the City Council. There would also be a teen summit in May at the high school.

Mr. Wallace stated the Seaside Food Bank was now moved to the old CRM building which would be temporary. There were a dozen people or more from Tongue Point Job Corp that helped move all the items over.

Bob Mushen, Chamber of Commerce Representative, stated before the Seaside Chamber of Commerce report was given Mr. Mushen complimented the Council on the courage and leadership for passing the moratorium and as a concerned citizen Council did the correct thing. Mr. Mushen further stated there was a Timber Summit held in Seaside with representatives from the Timber Industry and Representative Greg Walden who led the summit. There were twenty more memberships received from the timber industry to the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce had the Pouring at the Coast which was a big success, with a special thanks to Councilor Montero who was the cashier for a double shift. The foundation had been rejuvenated thanks to Councilor Barber and Councilor Frank who were able to free up over \$60,000.00 for the food bank and then the Chamber of Commerce donated another \$8,000.00. This brought the total donated over the years to \$90,000.00 which was contributed from the Chamber of Commerce and the foundation.

Mr. VanThiel stated the medical marijuana was really a situation that was going on in the state and he read comments received today from a County Lawyer. There had been nine Counties out of the thirty-six that had passed a moratorium right now. Mr. VanThiel further stated he would get information to Council as it was received. There were many people who believed it would take legislative fixes and he knew that Council needed to move along in good faith. The City could not amend State Administrative Rules and there needed to be more specificity. There were seventy-one cities that either had passed a moratorium or were in the process of passing a moratorium.

Mr. Winstanley stated the legislature did not do a lot of favors because of the short time frame. There was a comment made that the City had time to fix everything but the City virtually had no time to do anything and that had been a challenge that jurisdiction have had. Entering into the moratorium just simply would give enough time to take proper action as far as medical marijuana dispensaries were concerned. Council had ordinances right now that would be in conflict and needed to get the ordinances cleaned up and approved by Council.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Kim Jordan, Secretary

DON LARSON, MAYOR