

City of Lakeside
Council Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2007

The Lakeside City Council held a Regular Council Meeting at Lakeside City Hall, 915 North Lake Road, Oregon, at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 8, 2007.

Councilors Present: Mayor Orville Nelson, Harlon Green, Jim Brown, Jim Farmer, Mack Eubanks and Tim Crockett. Absent: Catherine Walker.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Orville Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and apologized for getting started a little late. He appreciated everyone for coming out and that they needed to get started right away as Sheriff Andy Jackson had to leave fairly soon.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Approve Minutes of Regular meeting January 11, 2007 about whether it was administrator or recorder and all that went on in regard to that.

MOTION: Jim Brown moved to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of January 11.

SECOND: Jim Farmer

VOTE: Unanimous by all councilors present

Approve Minutes of Special meeting January 18, 2007 where they had to read by title and job description of administrator/recorder and decision made to try to hire that position.

MOTION: Jim Brown moved to approve the minutes of the special meeting of January 18 as presented.

SECOND: Jim Farmer

VOTE: Unanimous by all councilors present

Approve review of expenditures as presented of January 12, 2007 meeting. The monthly bills are on file for review.

MOTION: Tim Crockett moved to approve the expenditures of January 12, 2007.

SECOND: Jim Brown

VOTE: Unanimous by all councilors present

Approve review of expenditures of January 18, 2007. Library bills.

MOTION: Jim Brown moved to approve the expenditures of January 18, 2007

SECOND: Jim Farmer

VOTE: Unanimous by all councilors present

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Jim Brown received a memo from the Nadine Goodrich, the librarian, announcing the 20th anniversary in April for the library. Friends of the Lakeside Library will be sponsoring the event along with a book sale. They are still looking for old photographs and historical material. They put a light at the east end of the building, which has helped a lot. SCCI crew, under Dennis' supervision, painted the main library interior. It took longer than was hoped. The library will be closed Friday the 16th through the 18th. Lakeside Women's Club and Lion's Club will be painting during this closure. The library will also be closed the 19th, Presidents Day while they finish up, air it out and do some rearranging. In February the Coquille Tribal Board of Trustees awarded a grant of \$2,000. One of the women of the Friends of the Lakeside Library had submitted an application to the tribe. The Allen Hilda Pierce Charitable Trust donated \$500.00 to the library. It was a unanimous nomination as they felt that Lakeside Library was recognized as outstanding. With the \$2500, both the organizations agreed with the Library Friends idea to upgrade the public computers so that should be done next month.

Harlon Green reported that Dennis, with the help of the SCCI crew, cleaned up the cemetery. Dennis and Charlie both met with Erickson of Dyer Engineering on the 11th Street SCA Grant as well as meeting with a representative from the State Mortuary Cemetery Board, both were good meetings. Dennis was present at the 72nd summit boot camp graduation. This is a good public relations involvement. Dennis cleaned drainage on the north end of the airport with the help of the SCCI crew. There was a derelict pickup and trailer parked on 12th street for 2 to 3 weeks. We had it tagged and then it moved to another piece of property for 1 day and onto another private piece of property owned by an out of state individual who doesn't say yes or no about it being there. Gas tanks, tires dumped along with debris at the cemetery, end of North Lake road and end of Hilltop same night as pickup dropped off. The keep out signs posted at airport along N. 8th are all gone in less than a week.

Mack Eubank is working on kid's groups. Trying to get the ball field going this summer. There is an anonymous person in town who will donate all the lumber needed to build a complete set of bleachers. Will try to contact SWOYA or if anyone has information, he would appreciate all the help he can get. Mack stated that he would really like to see the kids playing out here again.

Orville Nelson reported that the Senior Meals on Wheels did get funded for six months. There is funding at least till we come up to time of budget. They previously had problems meeting rent but it is now being funded all by donation. The mayor would like to thank everyone who took a part in this great effort by getting out there and finding those donations and the seniors really appreciated that. He would also like to thank Jim Farmer for all the extra time he's putting in the planning department and Harlon for helping him with the sludge truck. They hoped next week getting the tank back on line and running again.

Jim Farmer commented that there had been concern about the lock out tag out for safety procedures for the sewer plant. They are being utilized and followed. Jim thanked Charlie again, as they have been getting the planning/county updated a little bit.

Tim Crockett has been fortunate to have only two complaints. Firstly, Lenny Muellich, Village Trading Post. I wrote a letter and hand delivered it to him and talked with him, he's a really nice guy and he knew this was coming. He was told that day that he needed to start that day. He tries to become a landfill for the people here in town. He just tries to keep everything out of a landfill but is becoming one. I will stay on top of him as far as what he parks on 11th and up there. Secondly, a concern about why Dennis is using SCCI to clean the sides of our roads. Dennis uses what he has and tries to keep the city clean and we all have differing opinions of what should be clean and I go along with Dennis that he clean the main thorough fares and I have no problem with that. I love these abatement deals so if any problems, please get me the paperwork and I'll run it down for you.

NEW BUSINESS:

Instead of going to Old Business, the Mayor announced that Sheriff Jackson was with them tonight and didn't have much time so would like to give him the floor. Andy thanked the Mayor and Councilmen and that it was a pleasure being here tonight. As most of you know, the County came up with a \$7 million dollar shortfall in their budget this year affecting the sheriff's office by \$3.5 million. With them having to come up with this out of their budget is by cutting personnel. Starting February 27, he will be losing two deputies off the roads. He will be giving out notices February 21 to nine more patrol deputies. I already have handed out 19 lay off slips to all my probationary employees and by March 27, he'll be laying off a total of about 40 employees. That's going to hurt us pretty drastically in trying to accomplish this mission. We will have approximately seven people left to handle a 24 hour period but will also be augmented some of that with the marine, dune and timber deputies. They'll be able to help out in some of these areas. They have already instituted a policy to start reducing the type of service they are going to provide and how they will keep providing that in the future. I have brought along this board I would like to share with all of you. As far as the service that is provided to Lakeside at this current time, I can't give a true picture how that makeup will come out and if the ax is going to continue to fall and what the fall out is going to be for the people that are not on the cut off list or for those who might also look for work elsewhere. We will still be providing service up to the end of March and I'll be or someone else will be here sometime during April, May and June to let you know what we're doing or not doing. We can make some adjustments as to what you pay for service at this time and come back the end of June before we do our budget and would then like to sit down with you and discuss what we can do and can't do. This is what we're planning to do the 21st of June. We are not responding to animal calls, lost/found, building security, civil disputes, victimless crimes and will no longer do motor assists as in the past unless it is an injury accident or death accidents.

The supervisor will take some initiative to things we'll respond to that are unusual that needs someone to take a look at. We may respond to fraud, embezzlement, gambling, liquor violations, family disturbance, runaways, forgeries, prostitution and prowling offense. Those will be decisions made by the supervisor on the shift and determine if they need a response. And if manpower available, they will respond to burglaries mostly cold, where someone has been there or if in progress, we will respond. Will respond to auto theft, misdemeanor in progress, larceny, drunk drivers, arson, all aggravated assaults, sex offense, robberies, domestic assaults, felony crimes in progress and of course murders and rapes and things of that nature. There may be deeper cuts with the amount of people we lose. Right now, I'm hoping that the board, all the other elected officials and department heads and myself will take this opportunity to sit down with each other and form some type of mission. And look at where we're going to go and set some priorities and so forth in the future and try to find funding for law enforcement and the rest of the county. We know the federal government isn't going to bail us out every time when we reach a point like this. One of the things we are going to look at is stabilizing funding for the sheriff's office itself. If I can't talk the board into trying to come up with something that will benefit everybody, we could be looking at some kind of taxing levy or taxing district. Not quite sure right now but within the next few weeks I'll have something to report. So with that, I'll try to answer any questions you might have. The Mayor had two questions: If they can squeeze the money out of Federal, which is looking a little more hopeful than a couple of weeks ago, laying people off and the director of maintenance, do they have plans of calling those people back? Andy responded stating, "he couldn't answer that for the board." I can tell you this, that once people are gone, they find employment somewhere else. 90 percent won't come back. What is a victimless crime? It is where a crime is committed but there is no one who is willing to report it. In order for us to arrest someone, you have to have a victim. How many deputies do you think you'll lose altogether? I'll lose nine patrol deputies, one sergeant and one civil deputy. I think there is a misconception on the amount of people we have in the sheriff's office as to positions. The article in the paper tonight stated that we should cut the seven to eight administrative people. I have only two administrative people, one for patrol and one for the jail. Some things are a little misleading. We have cut back over the years to the bare minimum, to match up with the budget as much as we possibly can with the cuts we've had before and running short handed, as it is to meet the public demand. So this is going to make it very difficult to meet the public demand. We're going to try and that is why I got elected so I have to find a way to make it happen. Sandy asked what are the percentages of your total workforce to be cut? Andy asked, " Before or after the layoffs, but 39 percent would be the cuts." How many do you currently have before the lay off? I have 13 on patrol and 1 civil deputy, 2 sergeants and a corporal and after the layoffs there will be 2 sergeants, 1 corporal and 4 patrol deputies. I currently have a total of 111 employees and will be laying off 40 of those. Tim mentioned that he read a week ago about Andy with the county commissioners addressing the layoffs and next he reads where they are giving the Port Commissioner a \$5,000 dollar raise. Andy, I have a problem with the county when they are making you layoff all these people. Are we talking about two different counties?

What will be the response time to Lakeside? It will depend on what they have available and if they have to call someone from home, it could be as long as one hour. Are

Douglas and Curry counties as dependent on those timber revenues as Coos County? The one thing I have learned from talking with most of the counties and how those ONC funds are distributed vary and what they place emphasis on as to how they spread out those funds. Few counties like Coos where everything is thrown into the general fund and offices and departments are dependent on those ONC funds. Now they have to restructure on how they're doing business and how the dollars they have to pay for those services. Jim Brown mentioned that Lane County Sheriff's office would be short \$20 million. Andy said he thought they would be getting around \$60 million. Andy spoke with Douglas County and the Chief of Reedsport if couldn't supply service, they will assist us with calls here. Are you going to still close half of the jail? He will be laying off 16 jail deputies and will hold capacity of prisoners to 97. Andy was asked if they'll be transporting prisoners to other jails and he responded that they wouldn't be transporting to other jails but would be coming back out onto streets. He doesn't have the money to transport. If you were holding prisoners for the State, would you be able to do that? It would be pretty hard to rent beds to somebody and turn other prisoners out on the streets. If we rent beds from like Douglas County and/or the State, it would pay guards to guard their prisoners but I'm still turning my people out on the street. I don't know if that's the right thing to do or not. Basically, we're set up on a metric release program and people that fit within a certain criteria and when we get certain types of people in or the lesser chance of people to serve their time within the facility, they will be rotated out. I've been in this business for over 30 years and this is the worst I've ever seen it. I never thought I'd live to see this day. When you need it the most now especially as the population increases here in Oregon. We've done an extensive search for young officers and we were just recovering from the loss of people retiring back in 1997-98 because of the PERS issue. We were just about at the apex where we were able to get people out there doing some things and doing proactive work, and here we go again with the rug sliding back out from underneath us. Lane County might be trying to get a tax levy. I sent an email up to Sheriff Burger and he is sending down information on that. Be patient with us. I know this isn't a good picture that I've painted but doing the best he can. Andy was asked if it would help to call the County Commissioners and asked them to re-assess where the needs are, would it help if the people in the area called? Andy said, "let me put it this way, it can't hurt." I don't know how your answer is going to fall and I certainly can't answer for them. At some point I would think the public would want to know about the things for the future in the county and sheriff's office and community. We all have to be held accountable. A question was asked why is it that the county didn't get this money, was it a mistake that somebody made by not sending in the paperwork or government didn't want to give it? No, this money comes from a long range of Old Oregon Trail, Chamberland, and the railroad. Initial revenue from when they harvest the timber on federal property and a portion of that timber harvest went to the county. Well, after the owl incident and environmental impact taken place, it has reduced the amount of timber harvest, reducing the amount of revenue the county is receiving.

So what they did in 2000, the Federal government said you will get x amount of dollars over a period of seven years and then at the end of those seven years, it goes away. Sherry asked why didn't the county plan for this? Andy answered that they did try to

plan for it somewhat. About \$6 million was set aside for this event. Again, with the county forest timber receipts they used a portion of it to pay for the operation of the county timber and set aside a portion. I don't govern those funds and I don't know what happened to them or where that is. The county did put forth an effort to prepare for this day but maybe, not quite enough. The main issue to look at today is where are we going from here.

The Mayor announced that we're not going on schedule here but these people have to get back to Eugene tonight. So next up is Charcie Kaylor, manager of The Building Department, LLC, a private company that our code enforcement for the city. We've been doing this since 1973 and we're really proud of the work we do. We serve about 60 jurisdictions in Oregon and Idaho. We have been serving Lakeside since about the middle of 1990. With me tonight are Dave Mortier, owner and senior inspector, and Chuck Crawford, an electrical inspector for us. I bring Chuck along for protection. We come to you tonight because there is a fee change. We charge fees to do the code enforcement. We split that between us, we for doing the work and you for doing some of the work. This is your program. It belongs to the City. You hire us like you hire a lawyer or anyone. We have to go through a process that the State building codes division has and that is that we have to notify people that we have to go through this process. I want your permission tonight, after I explain, to change these fees. Last legislative session and we're just now going through one, they decided we couldn't charge for a plan check fee for plumbing. We have been charging a plan check fee for residential plumbing but since last October we haven't been able to do that because the law says we cannot do that, so we're losing revenue that serves the city. What we propose to you, among other things, is a fee adjustment. The plumbing fees aren't going to change that much because what we used to charge for plan check will be drafted into the regular plumbing fee. We still do the plan check but we don't necessarily do on the plans but do out in the field because that's the way it works. Also, I'd like to mention that since 1973, we've been doing this and we have not raised the plumbing fees since 1979. One of the ways we were able to do it, we were able to charge for the plan checks. Now that we no longer are able to do that, we would like to adjust the fees to where we don't lose revenue. Another thing that is coming down is what they call E permitting but I'll cover that at another time. Right now most of the plumbing permits can be issued what we call "over the counter", that is that the application process is simple enough that they can come right into City Hall, get your permit, go out and do your work. We have simplified the plumbing fee; we have just made it simpler and easy to understand. The reason for that is "E" permitting and a lot of people are going purchase these online down the road. That's why we made them easier and more logical for the plumbing fees.

The same thing, we could see happening with mechanical fees. Down the road they will not let us charge for plan check fees, we haven't come to you for a "mechanical fee" increase since, I believe, 2001. Again we are not changing/increasing the fees so much as we are "adjusting" them so that we don't lose revenue for this. We had an opportunity to analyze what we are doing in business, like a lot of the cities did, and what we found was, we were charging to little for a minimum fee. So what we did was raise up the bottom level and even things out and make it more justified. I'll talk more

later about that. You'll see that our existing mechanical fee chart is a nightmare that no one could figure it out unless you are an expert. So we "stole" somebody else's idea on how to simplify it, so that just about any body can figure it out for what they needed to do. Again we raised that "minimum charge" that I'll talk about. One of the reasons we are doing this all at once is #1, I'm kind of lazy, #2 a lot of cities will look at these fees every year and change it what ever kind of percentage they have, since the process takes so long going through the state, they don't approve it, you all have to approve it. But there is a specific process that they require. We decided since we had to do this for these others so that we won't lose revenue, we need to do some streamlining for these others and that is what we did. Like for the structural, then lets look at that to make it logical and this is where the minimum fee came in. Our minimum fee before was \$13.00; we are raising that to \$40. One of the things we realized was that, if you were building something that cost say \$500 to build and we charged \$13 for the inspection, we may come out twice for that inspection and since we only get 75% of that fee. It really wouldn't pay for the inspector. In fact, it doesn't pay for the paper work. What had been done before was, those permits were really being paid by the "larger" permits that were issued. This didn't seem like a prudent way to run a program. We would then just incrementally raise the rest of it. We looked at what was built in Reedsport last year, just in single-family dwellings, that's a unit that is easy to understand. There were 6 single family buildings built last year and the average valuation was \$225,000.00. I did an analysis and with what the current fees are and the proposed fees are and you will see that the plumbing and mechanical fees stay about the same. (The plumbing fees actually go down slightly) for plumbing it goes up only \$2. Where it really goes up is the structural it goes up \$102 to \$103 that's for a total permit of \$2000 and we are talking about a \$83 to \$84 increase for a house that is going to cost \$225,000. This is about a 4% increase in fees that we are asking for. So if you include a surcharge which the state says a percentage of whatever the permit is, that's only another 1/2 percent, so it averages a 4-5 % increase that we are asking for. Since we haven't asked for an increase in plumbing fees since 1979 before we even started to serve Lakeside or the mechanical/structural since 2001. We are pretty proud that we can keep it around 5%. Tonight I ask that you decide if it is reasonable to change the fees that I have described and if that is amiable, we need to set a hearing date and then a date to adopt and make them effective.

Orville Nelson: Are these fees going into affect in all the cities that you have contracts with?

Charlie: You are among the last I have only one city left.

MOTIONS: Jim Brown moved to set public hearing date of April 12, 2007 (which would give us the 45 days) propose the adoptive date be the 1st of April, the effective date of May 1, 2007.

SECOND: Harlon Green

Mayor Nelson: Motion made and 2nd, now open for discussion.

Tim Crockett: Tim had a question if the city could have 30% instead of 25% for city, then asked 27% or 28%. Charlcie said that would be something to bring up at contract negotiations

Charlcie: While I appreciate that it makes sense and I think everyone should do due diligence in figuring costs, I don't believe that we can come down in that we bear the bigger share of the cost than the city does for their 25%. While the city takes the permit and inspection requests and the money for them, we maintain a fleet of cars; we have highly skilled and certified people. Let me tell you what an electrical inspector is, he has to be a journey electrician for 4 years and a supervisor for 5 years before he is qualified to sit for the test to be an inspector. It is the same with plumbing and structural. We have to pay them market wages. I don't see how we can pay the city more than 25%.

Tim Crockett: I would like to see some compromise –

Mack Eubanks: What do we do if there is a problem with an inspector? Charlcie said that we could contact her directly. Is mechanical electrical? No. Where is the updated fee for electrical? Charlcie said they haven't asked for an increase in electrical, or on manufactured homes. I came to you in 2003 for an update in fees for electrical and manufactured homes.

Calvin Walker: What happens if the council says no to the increase? Charlcie said that they would have to cross that bridge when we get there.

VOTE: Motion passed with council yeah vote with one opposition by Mack Eubanks.

Mayor Orville – let us continue now with Old Business

OLD BUSINESS:

Ken Durell Contract – is a consultant that takes care of grants – so when Susan resigned (or retired) we didn't know much about grants, so we contacted Ken Durell and he wanted \$17,000 to administer the grant on the Treatment Plant. Then we received a letter from him and he had increased his fee to \$ 26 thousand. Charlie called Clem Singer and he said he could talk her thru that process.

Jim Brown – wanted to know if the contract is on time and material basis or a flat \$26 thousand. Lets contact Ken and see if his interpretation is correct. We might want to call on him since the bills are getting more and more technical, if he is willing to bill on the "time and material basis". If it isn't we can throw out the contract then?

Charlie Hill– I have already done the USDA & quarterly report for interim financing that hadn't been done yet.

Orville Nelson – Why don't we leave it as it stands and Charlie can call him and get his input on whether he is willing to bill "time and material basis" and go from there.

MOTION: Mack Eubanks we will accept Ken Durell on a stand by basis if that is acceptable to him.

SECOND: Jim Brown

VOTE: Motion carried by all yeah votes except for Mack Eubanks nay vote

Run: Oregon Dune Mushers will not be parading in town. They will drive them into town in their trucks – have lunch and let people see the dogs. But no actual mail run. This is for information only.

Planning Commission Complaint – Jim Farmer met with the people on the planning commission and I also talked with Tom Blastic and spoke with Harlon and the complaint has been settled. One thing I am glad about is that we have a board and the board made that decision. Harlan is satisfied and the Planning Commission is satisfied as well.

First Street Hearing to vacate a portion – scheduled for next month, it was originally for this month.

Waste Water Treatment Plant – we are going to upgrade the record system at the plant – I haven't gotten the cost of the computer program from Bob Dillard. We are going to have a hard copy and another disc that will be kept at City Hall in case of fire.

Resignation of Shawna Walters from the Kid Zone.

MOTION: Jim Brown moved to accept Resignation from Shawna Walters.

SECOND: Jim Farmer

Tim Crockett wanted to know who was going to "box up – clean up – inventory" the kid zone. Shawna said that she has someone coming in tomorrow to clean up and she will be turning in her cell phone and key. Kid Zone is closing down completely? She should be out by early next week.

Sandy Thayer = What about all the stuff the city has purchased and donated to the kids zone? What happens to all the stuff over there, the chairs, tables etc? Charlie hopefully someone will pick it up. Orville said that this kid zone could be funded with donations. This has not been budgeted for, so we couldn't help the kid zone or the senior center. The City does not own any of the kid zone stuff that belongs to the Kid Zone – some of the computers belong to the city along with some other fixtures that is why she has to do an inventory. Teri McDuff wanted to know if it would be prudent to have someone else there during the inventory. Teri McDuff volunteered her time to help.

VOTE: Unanimous by all Council present.

Resolution 07-01 Support TLBP to secure Federal Funding – this is just to support Mike Mader in the Ten Mile Lake Basin Partnership.

- MOTION:** Jim Farmer moved to adopt Resolution 07-01 Support TLBP to secure Federal Funding
- SECOND:** Jim Brown
- VOTE:** Unanimous by all Council present.

Orville Nelson: Something else we have to do tonight is that we listed for an Administrator/Recorder – some of the applicants we received were not what we were looking for. After reviewing the applicants that we received, what we have decided to do is to make Charlie Assistant Administrator (because that is in the budget – whatever we have in the Budget is what we have to put “them” under and we currently have a City Administrator, Assistant Administrator & Clerk in the budget), in order to be able to hire a clerk we must put Charlie in as Assistant Administrator – we need a motion to do so.

- MOTION:** JIM BROWN moved to change Charlie Hill from recorder to assistant administrator with a \$1/hr retro to the 1st of Feb - the reason for the hourly rate increase is because that was what Donna was making and right now Charlie is doing by far more than what Donna was doing.
- SECOND:** TIM CROCKETT
- VOTE:** Unanimous by all Council present.

Orville Nelson: We are going to post now for a clerk and we are going to keep the temporary here for at least a month after we hire to help while Charlie train the new hire. We want both of them to get into Planning with Jim, grant writing school coming up and we would like them to go to and there is a Budget class coming up as well that we would like them to go to.

Charlie Hill– I’ll be attending a risk management conference from workers compensation and I’m going to that as a trade for them giving us a waiver for the \$13,000.00 2005-2006 Workers Comp Audit. Orville said he had talked to Harry Abel as well.

- MOTION:** Jim Brown moved to advertise for a clerk with a notice posted tomorrow and as soon as legally possibly, the position be filled at \$12.50 an hour, which Orville said according to Ardella, is a statewide average. This person will be working in planning, with the sewer bills and hopefully starting to clean up the sewer records. That we proceed as rapidly and that the Mayor and Assistant Administrator interview and hire.
- SECOND:** Harlon Green
- VOTE:** Unanimous by all Council present

Mack Eubanks was under the impression we were going to pick somebody else up to work on the records. Nelson said if we get a clerk and use the temp for a month until the clerk does the billing then have the temp here on the days when they are taking payments so the clerk could go out to the plant and work on the records. Three council members are meeting with Bob Dillard on Saturday morning. The cost of the record program is about \$1,000. We will have the records on the computer down there and a backup copy on disk here.

Orville said we need the records at the sewer plant updated. The maintenance on the plant is terrible. Over the last 15 years there has been no maintenance program, which keeps the guys at the plant busy, keeping everything working and there is no excuse for the condition the sludge truck is in. We can save money by cutting out the comp time we can do away with. We can start putting money back into the plant. We need to get a bid on the roof. We are going to prioritize the things we can do. Were going to do a maintenance program with a clipboard on every piece of machine and a paper so when anything is done to that machine it's going to have a record of it and whoever done it is going to sign the clipboard. Every month we will put in a new sheet and we can figure out what it cost each month in repairs and in a year we will know the cost for a year. If in a year something cost \$2,000 to replace and we see it cost \$3,500 in repairs, we would be better off to replace it. The gearboxes need to have the gear oil changed. We have rot block, which is about a \$20,000 job. We need painting down there. Bob Dillard does consulting and also hires for sewer plants. We also need accountability. If you have someone in a position they need to be held accountable. The plant needs to be run like a business. We did negotiations with the prison and Orville said he thinks we came out pretty good if it goes the way it looks like its going to go. There is a problem we have from May with that equipment that was purchased. Brown made a motion to purchase the equipment contingent on the attorney's approval and USDA. Clem Singer from USDA advised them not to purchase that equipment. The sewer sludge truck was not functional. We paid Root Rooter \$3,000 a month to haul sludge. Instead of buying that other equipment, we could have bought a sewer truck and saved that \$3,000 a month plus what the cost of this equipment upkeep and the wages to have a man down there mowing, we could have contracted the airport mowing for cheaper price. Orville said Jim and Harlan have put a lot of hours in and have done a great job. Orville said Tim and Mack work so they haven't had the time.

Cemetery Commissioner and Saxton needed.

Brown said he was Cemetery Commissioner until Julie Anderson came on. The Saxton is the Assistant Administrator who is the manager of the cemetery. Brown said he would be the Commissioner. Charlie said the manager goes to the burial and makes sure the tag on the casket matches the number on the death certificate. Brown said the local mortuaries want you to come out once and check the number. Charlie said the woman from the State Board said you must check each one.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Joan Anderson wanted to remind all of the brunch at the Lyons on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Curtis Hoyle said if you paid Charlie by the hour what she was worth, the city would go broke. Curtis would also like to make an appointment with the Mayor to discuss a pressing matter. Curtis is available 24 hours a day. Orville said 10:00 tomorrow morning.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Brown said the Executive Session posting had an error, as it did not contain the supporting information for the reason and the ORS number. This will not happen again. You can get by with it once but don't try it twice.

Mack Eubanks said we need to look at the outdated Ordinances and the Ordinances that don't belong anymore. If Calvin could mention to Cathy Walker that when she gets better, maybe she can get a list of volunteers that would like to work on this committee, and at a later date on a Saturday take a look at the list and as an advisory committee make recommendations to the Council. Green said we should look at the abandoned vehicle Ordinance. Crockett said there are some that have deleted others and wanted to know how long we had to keep them. The answer is forever. Brown said years ago the City contracted with Sandy Arp who was with the League of Oregon Cities who was an attorney. Crockett wanted to know if a common man could go through these and Brown said you really need an attorney. Brown said there are some that you can look at and see they are outdated and we still have the election ordinance that was passed at the request of our attorney that is still hopeless. Eubanks said we have bright people here. Give them a chance to look at these and if they see some that are questionable, bring them to the council then we could turn them over to be re-done.

Orville Nelson said Cathy Walker is taking chemo and is not doing very well, please pray for her.

Brown noted the Southern Coast Housing is requesting a letter from the City Administrator to join with the other cities in support of their grant request.

MOTION: Jim Brown moved to authorize Charlie Hill to sign the letter

SECOND: Mack Eubanks

VOTE: Unanimous by all council present.

Tim Crockett wanted to know who cleans up the garbage and tires dropped at the cemetery. The answer is Dennis.

Tim noted the cans collected for the Kid Zone that he donated for he saw the cans at the hardware store and found out they are not Kid Zone cans they are YO. This origination doesn't even exist yet. Tim said if you don't understand something, ask.

Adjourn: 8:47 p.m.

ATTESTED:



Charlie Hill, City Recorder

APPROVED:



Orville Nelson, Mayor