

City of Yachats
PUBLIC WORKS & STREETS COMMISSION

June 12, 2018

Draft Minutes

Chair John Moore called the June 12, 2018 regular meeting of the Public Works and Streets Commission to order at 3:00 pm in Room 1 of the Yachats Commons. Members present: John Moore, Tom Bedell, Larry Nixon, Bob Bennett, Rick Haynes, and Marc Courtenay. Absent: Don Groth, Marc Courtenay. Staff present: Water Plant Lead Rick McClung and Wastewater Plant Lead Dave Buckwald. Audience: 1.

I. Minutes

May 6, 2018

Page 2, Line 13: breaking should be "braking"

Footer: should indicate May 6, not April 10.

Commissioner Bedell moved to approve the May 6, 2018 minutes as amended: Aye – 5; No – 0.

May 8, 2018

Commissioner Nixon moved to approve the May 8, 2018 minutes: Aye – 5; No – 0.

II. Reports

A. South Tank Project

McClung reported the tank erection is completed. Workers started the sewer line, but it veered too close to the water line, so they are now hooking the water line to the tank and installing the earthquake valves. Once complete, workers will convert the existing lines to the new line so the old lines can be decommissioned so work on the sewer line can be resumed. The sequence is to fill the tank, disinfect, test for leaks, install telemetry for SCADA system, complete the sewer line, and install the storm drain line. Finally, the earthquake valve at the bridge with a 6x6x8 vault will be installed. McClung explained they need to find a place for the vault where other utilities are not in the way.

While the contract deadline is July 18, 2018, McClung expected substantial completion by mid-August 2018. McClung explained the tank should be filled before they install the earthquake valve, as supply from the north end of town will be cut off during that installation. He noted Manager Beaucaire's effort to push construction managers was helping move the project along.

B. Public Works Department

Buckwald reported public Works completed tree trimming on Shell Street, Reeves Circle, and King Street. The crew completed the Hanley Culvert CIP. Buckwald noted the gearbox at the plant went out, but the crew was able to handle the repair in house. He highlighted eight blue line markers were painted on streets to indicate the tsunami

1 zone. The markers are painted at 75 feet in elevation. McClung reported some
2 neighbors have complained about the markings on the street.

3 4 **C. Emergency Preparedness Committee**

5 Nixon reported the tsunami walk is June 23, 2018 from 10:00 to 11:00 am. ODOT will
6 place reader boards to slow traffic. Oregon State Police and the Lincoln County Sheriff
7 will have a presence. He noted there would be no flagger at crossing points along
8 Highway 101.

9 10 **D. Solid Waste District Advisory Council**

11 Nixon reported Dahl is on the City Council agenda for rates and green waste pickup.
12 He added Georgia Pacific announced they would be testing a new technology program
13 (Juno) at the Toledo Mill where they can convert waste paper products into a cardboard
14 product using 90% of the waste materials. The waste product would go into Georgia
15 Pacific's own landfill in that area. This product would potentially provide a revenue
16 source for the District and create new jobs in the County.

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18 Bedell asked about the Brooks, OR facility as a place for burning trash. Nixon did not
19 have current information on that facility.

20 21 **E. Financial Report**

22 Commissioner Bennett noted they are over budget in streets and water but under
23 budget in waste water. Moore indicated the issue is one of allocation. Bennett asked
24 why the month-to-date revenues column was blank.

25 26 **III Business**

27 **A. Clean Sweep**

28 Nixon reported Dahl would deliver 4 to 6 bins on Thursday, June 14, 2018. There is a
29 possibility of hauling away and replacing a bin on Friday if needed. Moore suggested
30 Haynes and Nixon get together with Clerk Jackson to create signage.

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32 Moore indicated there are work shifts from 9 am to 1 pm and 1 pm to 5 pm shifts on
33 Friday and Saturday, and Sunday 9-1.

34 Nixon: Fri 9-1

35 Haynes: Fri 1- 5 (with Joan Davies and Tom Lauritzen)

36 Bennett: Sat 1-5

37 Bedell: Fri 9-1, Sun 9-1

38 Moore: Sat 9-1, Sun 9-1

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40 Moore noted everybody should be available on Sunday for cleanup at 1 pm. Moore
41 asked Nixon to order five bins. Moore indicated he would post a call for volunteers on
42 the Yachats Facebook page.

43 44 **B. Traffic Flow – Ocean View Drive, 2nd to 7th Streets**

45 Moore summarized the Commission's previous discussion on the traffic direction on
46 Ocean View Drive, recalling Lincoln County Transit's objection to one-way traffic. He

1 reported he talked to Lincoln County Transit, and they were ok with one-way traffic if
2 they could get a parking spot on W 4th Street. Moore noted the correspondence he has
3 received favoring one-way traffic. He highlighted there is significant concern for
4 pedestrian safety. Moore noted Manager Beaucaire was investigating requirements for
5 pedestrian walk-space.

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7 Commissioners discussed the issues that were problematic for the buses. Bedell
8 wanted to get more information from the driver from Lincoln County Transit. Moore
9 indicated he would ask GERALYN Mandell to the next Public Works and Streets meeting.

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11 Commissioners also wanted more information on how the connection with the Yachats
12 to Florence bus service could be made with Lincoln County Transit.

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14 Haynes asked for more information on lane widths required for various speed limits and
15 what features were located on the street. Moore noted the City has just established a
16 new contract for an Engineer of Record, and the Engineer of Record could analyze
17 traffic flow and erosion potential and make a recommendation on traffic flow.

18 Commissioners agreed having the Engineer of Record examine the issue was the
19 appropriate route to take.

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21 Nixon asked that additional speed limit signs be posted. Moore noted that Manager
22 Beaucaire provided him with data that posting an odd-number speed limit gets more
23 attention. Commissioners did not want to make a recommendation on posted speed
24 limits at this time.

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26 Bennett asked if the City had full control of speed signs or whether the Speed Control
27 Board had to be involved. Bennett believed the Speed Control Board had developed
28 guidelines that needed to be followed.

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30 Bennett moved to recommend that the Engineer of Record assess the Ocean View
31 Drive situation and make a recommendation about traffic flow: Aye – 5; No – 0.

32 33 **C. Traffic Flow – Ocean View Drive, 101 to State Park**

34 Covered in in previous item.

35 36 **D. Revenue Stream for Streets and Storm Drains**

37 Moore summarized there is no current revenue stream for Streets and Storm Drains.
38 He noted two options were: 1) add an item to the utility bill, and 2) put the matter up for
39 public vote. Moore reported the total assessed value of property in Yachats is
40 \$276,282,950. At this amount, a rate of \$0.36 per one hundred thousand in valuation
41 would be needed to raise \$100,000 for streets and storm drains. This rate amounts to
42 \$90 per year for a \$250,000 home and \$180 for a \$500,000 home.

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44 Bennett explained that in the past, the City had received ODOT grants every other year
45 for street work. Bedell noted having so many unregistered vehicles cuts into the dollars

1 received from the registration funds. Bennett not the City could add a local gas tax if
2 the City had a gas station.

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4 Bennett reported that given the way Yachats set up its taxes, the City must first set up
5 road district (one vote), then vote on a tax for that district (second vote). Bennett
6 believed the last time they applied for grants was when work was done on Horizon Hill
7 several years ago. Bennett added the 101 Project might have curtailed the ability to get
8 ODOT grant money for several years.

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10 Moore indicated he would talk to the City Manager about what ODOT funds may be
11 available.

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13 **IV. Other Business**

14 **A. From the Commission** - none

15 **B. From the Floor**

16 Ann Stott suggested the Commission talk to garbage truck drivers about negotiating
17 streets.

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19 With no further business before the commission, Moore adjourned meeting at 4:23 pm.
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24 John Moore, Chair

Date

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27 Minutes prepared by H.H. Anderson on July 7, 2018.