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**CITY OF YACHATS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Civic Meeting Room, Yachats Commons
April 8, 2014
Regular Meeting 2:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

8 The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Ronald Brean at 2:00 p.m. in
9 the Civic Meeting Room at the Yachats Commons. Council members present: Greg Scott, Sandy
10 Dunn, Lynne Dimmick and Barbara Frye. Audience: 9.

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12 **I. Announcements and Correspondence**

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14 Letter from Joanne Kittell: Commons Reservation System

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16 Yachats Ladies Club Fundraiser Dinner for the Children's Advocacy Center - April 19.

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18 **II. Citizen's Concerns**

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20 David Schlesinger said that he and Ingrid Olsen were looking at a house on King Street near the Transient
21 Rental owned by Candy Neville and neighbors in the area said that the use of the Transient Rental has
22 caused problems, but they did not complain to the City.

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24 Schlesinger said that the City recently modified the Transient Rental Standards and the maximum occupancy
25 was one of the standards that were adopted. Neville is asking for special treatment, and if City Council were
26 to approve this request that would open a Pandora's Box and many others would want the same treatment.

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28 Betty Reed asked if the City Planner had checked with the City Attorney regarding Gender Creek.

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30 City Planner, Larry Lewis said that the City Attorney told him that the Federal Fish and Wildlife has the
31 authority for steam classification and that the Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) acts on their behalf.
32 He has requested information from DSL about the Gender Creek classification, but he has not yet received
33 an answer.

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35 Scott said that Gender Creek has a history of flooding, and so he believes the City should be very
36 conservative in designations in order to protect life and property.

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38 Brean asked Lewis to have another conversation with the City Attorney and ask what the rules are regarding
39 the amount of interaction the City Council can have with the Planning Commission regarding applications that
40 may be appealed to the Council.

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42 Scott said that he would like to know if Councilors are able to question individual Planning Commission
43 Members to find out why they have voted the way they did.

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45 Brean said that he would like to know how much information they are allowed to have when the rest of the
46 public is allowed to have that information and participate in the public process.

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48 Lewis said that the engineers have nearly completed the concept plan for the Hwy 101 Improvement Project.
49 When they have finished the concept plan, which is at about the 30% point in the process, the City will have
50 some updated drawings based on the actual topographical information.

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52 Brean asked for the Public Works Director's report so he can leave the meeting.

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54 Blanchard reported that the crew is continuing to locate and repair leaks.

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2 There appears to be a significant leak in the water line on Hwy 101 from Third to Seventh based on the
3 pressure test. When that line is replaced as part of the Hwy 101 Project it will be relocated to the west
4 side of the road.

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6 The crew has continued televising the wastewater treatment collection system and identifying where the
7 Inflow and Infiltration has been entering the collection system.

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9 The City is required to close down the wastewater treatment plant system for routine maintenance and
10 the basin cleaned out. The crew did this and hauled the materials to a farm in Roseburg for disposal.
11 Hauling it to them is less expensive than having them come here to pick up.

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13 The City continues to work on the program to reduce Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) in the sewer collection
14 system, and have been sending out letters to the restaurant owners and conducting inspections.

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16 The crew has begun working on the playground improvement project. Most of the old equipment has been
17 removed, and the Public Works crew will be constructing the underground drainage system.

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19 Should be going out to contract in the next thirty days for the work on the upper system looping project.

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21 Blanchard said that he has a meeting with Southwest Lincoln County Water District to discuss modifying
22 the rates they would charge the City if Yachats had to buy water from the District.

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24 Blanchard said that he is working on catching up with the Performance Documentation. Next month he
25 should be able to report on this data so the Council can see how much time it takes to complete the
26 various tasks, and compare it with the industry standards. The work plan for the Public Works Department
27 will be developed using that information once he knows how much time to allot for the work to be done.

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29 Brean said that the City is going through an analysis to determine what the City can afford the staff to do,
30 so the City put in a bid for the USFS contract for the next year, but did not put in a bid for the optional
31 second year. Next year the City will negotiate for that second year.

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33 Dunn asked when the Storm Ready/Tsunami Ready Signs will be installed.

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35 Blanchard said that he asked the State for a permit and has not heard back, but he will call them again
36 tomorrow.

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38 Brean asked Blanchard about the request for a sign on Diversity Drive indicating that there is no outlet.

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40 Blanchard said that the request was discussed at the Public Works and Streets Commission and he will
41 be looking into that.

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43 **III. Consent Agenda**

44 **A. Minutes of March 17, 2014 Work Session, March 19, 2014 Regular Meeting and March 27, 2014**
45 **Special Meeting**

46 **B. Bills for Approval**

47 **C. Proclamation – April 2014 Child Abuse Prevention Month In Yachats**

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49 Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Aye – 5, No – 0.

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51 **IV. Reports**

52 **A. City Council**

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54 Scott gave a status report on the Property Inventory Phase of the online database project. (Attached)

1 Dunn said that the bus doesn't always have a place to park near the Post Office and they requested that the
2 City mark the area for the bus only. Dunn said that she could not recommend that because the bus is only
3 there briefly and it would take up three spaces. However, a bus stop could be incorporated into the Hwy 101
4 Improvement Project.

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6 Brean said that he and the other Board Members of the League of Oregon Cities recently met with the
7 Governor to discuss items of interest to cities.

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9 **B. Public Works Director – Earlier in Meeting**

10 **C. Written Reports - Commission Minutes, City Recorder and Code Enforcement Officer – Attached.**

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12 **V. Public Hearing Supplemental Budget for 2013-2014 Fiscal Year**

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14 Brean opened the public hearing and asked for comments. There were none, and Brean closed the public
15 hearing.

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18 **VI. Business**

19 **A. Resolution No. 2014-04-01 – Adopting Supplemental Budget for 2013-2014**

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21 Motion to adopt the Resolution, with the amended wording in the Multiple Funds Section, as suggested by
22 the City Recorder, Aye – 5, No – 0.

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24 **B. Appeal for Increased Occupancy in a Transient Rental – Neville**

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26 Brean said that Neville admits in the letter that she has been in violation of the Transient Rental Standards
27 and he sees no reason to grant an appeal.

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29 Dimmick and Scott each said that they agree.

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31 There was consensus to not grant an appeal and have the Code Enforcement Officer contact Neville to
32 inform her of the decision. Niskanen shall also inform her that she must change the advertisements that
33 indicate the home sleeps more than the amount authorized by the City.

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35 **C. Updated Commons Policy Manual**

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37 Scott shared a list of issues he has identified that should be included in the Policy review and he would like to
38 refer this back to the Parks and Commons Commission for further work.

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40 **VII. Other Business**

41 **A. From the Council – None.**

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43 **B. From the Staff – None.**

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45 There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

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Ronald L. Brean, Mayor

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Nancy Batchelder, City Recorder