

**City of Brookings**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415  
**Monday, May 9, 2016**

The City Council met in Executive Session at 6:00 PM, in the City Manager's office, under the authority of ORS 192.660(2)(h), "to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed," under ORS 192.660 (2)(e), "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions," and under ORS 192.660(2)(f), "to consider information or records that are exempt by law."

**Call to Order**

Mayor Hedenskog called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

Council present: Mayor Ron Hedenskog, Councilors Jake Pieper, Brent Hodges and Bill Hamilton. Dennis Triglia was absent; a quorum present. Also present was Ex Officio Nastassia Carrasco.

Staff present: City Manager Gary Milliman, City Attorney Martha Rice, Public Works and Development Director LauraLee Snook and City Recorder Teri Davis.

Others Present: Del Norte Regional Airport Representatives Susan Daugherty and Matthew Lightner, Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter Jane Stebbins and three others.

**Ceremonies & Appointments**

Mayor Hedenskog announced that the May Yard of the Month recipients were Best Commercial – The Library Annex at 402 Alder St. and Best Residential – Paul & Ruth McCloud at 935 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

Mayor Hedenskog moved, and a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory "Yes" vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to appoint Mary Geyer to TPAC.

**Ordinances**

*Ordinance 16-O-756 adding Chapter 1.15 regarding Citizen Citations to the Brookings Municipal Code.*

City Manager Gary Milliman provided the staff report.

Mayor Hedenskog asked for an example of how a complaint would be handled if this ordinance is passed. City Milliman explained that the process would be handled through staff investigation.

Mayor Hedenskog read into record Councilor Triglia's comments regarding the Ordinance:

Councilor Triglia urged a “No” vote saying that passing this Ordinance is taking away legal rights from residents. He provided a examples of what type of complaints residents would no longer have access to generate.

Councilor Triglia recommended a penalty to hold the complainant liable if they did not follow through with the proceedings.

Councilor Hodges disagreed with Councilor Triglia. He said residents will still have the ability to make the complaint, but the process will now eliminate the “He said/she said” and it will be a smooth process to results.

Councilor Hamilton concurred with Councilor Hodges noting that the current process causes a lot of wasted time and money.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to do a first reading of Ordinance 16-O-756.**

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to do a second reading of Ordinance 16-O-756.**

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to adopt Ordinance 16-O-756 [adding Chapter 1.15 regarding Citizen Citations to the Brookings Municipal Code].**

*Ordinance 16-O-757 amending various sections of the Brookings Municipal Code to bring them into conformity with Chapter 1.05, General Penalty*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to do a first reading of Ordinance 16-O-757.**

Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

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Mayor Hedenskog read the title.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to adopt Ordinance 16-**

**O-757 [amending various sections of the Brookings Municipal Code to bring them into conformity with Chapter 1.05, General Penalty].**

### **Oral Requests and Communications from the audience**

There were no Public Comments on non-agenda items.

### **Staff Reports**

*Approval to enter into a contract with Tidewater Contractors for the Pacific Avenue Sewer Main Relocation project.*

Public Works and Development Director Snook provided the staff report.

**Councilor Hamilton moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to approve a contract with Tidewater Contractors for the Pacific Avenue Sewer Main Relocation project.**

*Approval to accept Brookings Annexation Project report as prepared and take no action on the recommendations*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report. The Portland State University study contains a lot of valuable data. Its conclusion is that annexation is not in the best interest of the City. This issue also carries a lot of political opposition.

Mayor Hedenskog said it was a great report that provides insight into many annexation questions, not just Harbor. It was noted that there is a state procedure in place for Harbor to self-incorporate.

Councilor Hodges recommended that the report be added to the city's website. It was a worthwhile read. He was surprised by the costs vs. benefits analysis.

**Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory “Yes” vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to accept the Brookings Annexation Project as prepared and take no action on the recommendations.**

*Authorization to participate in the Del Norte County Regional Airport (DNCRA) Terminal Project*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report. Mr. Milliman explained the BCRAA's requests and the City of Brookings options for support.

Susan Daugherty and Matthew Lightner were invited to address Council. Ms. Daugherty outlined recent actions regarding construction and funding and reported on pending budgetary proceedings.

Mr. Lightner advised of an upcoming groundbreaking event. He also extended gratitude to the City of Brookings and Curry County for their assistance with the grant.

Mayor Hedenskog asked about the runway safety area.

Ms. Daugherty explained the \$23 million environmental impact work that was required for runway extension. She explained the environmental requirements have all been met and now they can turn their attention back to the terminal.

Councilor Hodges said that he was concerned with factors such as the airport being in a tsunami zone, that the flights go to locations that are easily drivable and committing to a 20-year risky agreement.

City Manager Milliman added, and Ms. Daugherty confirmed, that the entrance of Pen Air as a provider gives the project additional security.

Councilor Hodges asked if other members had committed.

Ms. Daugherty reviewed the current funding stances.

Mayor Hedenskog asked what the prospects are for the ODOT Connect Oregon grant.

City Manager Milliman and Ms. Daugherty both indicated that the ranking is discouraging.

Mayor Hedenskog asked about the USDA loan. Ms. Daugherty said she is very optimistic about that funding.

Mayor Hedenskog read into record Councilor Triglia's comments regarding the measure:

Councilor Triglia urged a "No" vote saying that passing this measure is furthering the City's debt.

Councilor Triglia said that he would rather invest in Brookings' airport.

Councilor Pieper said that the consensus of the Budget Committee was not to commit and reminded Council that the city's original involvement in BRCAA was promised not to include any cost.

Councilor Hamilton agreed with the others that Brookings should not commit. He would rather spend the money on needed improvements inside the city.

Councilor Hodges noted that there is a lot of economic development potential, but he is not comfortable committing at this time and wants to see what other members decide. He would like to move cautiously. Mayor Hedenskog agreed with Councilor Hodges' assessment.

There was discussion about the procedure to table the measure.

**Councilor Hodges moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory "Yes" vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to table the decision about supporting the DNCRA until the first Council meeting in June.**

*Authorization to direct staff to amend Chapter 12.25.010 of the Brooking Municipal Code regarding Mill Beach access area*

City Manager Milliman provided the staff report. The access road is treated like all other City parks with regard to times of operation.

The Mayor and Councilors debated the issue of the access road being closed at dark. The beach has previously been determined to be usable at nighttime for camping, bonfires, etc. Having restrictions on the open times of the road diminishes the nighttime use of the beach. Several options were considered such as erecting a gate, creating a rules exception, etc. Staff will provide an Ordinance at a future meeting amending the Access Road's time of operation. No other Council action was taken.

### **Consent Calendar**

1. Approve Council minutes for April 25, 2016
2. Accept April 2016 Vouchers in the amount of \$259,235.23
3. Accept TPAC minutes for March 18, 2016

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously, with an advisory "Yes" vote from Ex Officio Carrasco, to approve the consent calendar.

### **Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

There were no remarks from the Mayor or Councilors.

### **Adjournment**

Mayor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

ATTESTED:

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016:

**Approved by Council on May 23, 2016**

Ron Hedenskog, Mayor

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Teri Davis, City Recorder