

**Regular City Council Meeting
December 8, 2015
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Pete Edison called to order the Regular Meeting of the Banks City Council at 7:16 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Pete Edison, Mark Gregg, Brian Biehl, Michael Nelson, Teri Branstitre, Mark Walsh, and Dan Keller.

Staff present: City Manager Jolynn Becker, City Recorder Angie Lanter, City Attorney Dan Kearns, City Planner Stacey Goldstein, and Library Director Denise Holmes.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Ray Deeth, 13431 NW Main St, Banks, OR, representing the Banks Chamber of Commerce, noted the annual tradition of the mayor presenting the State of the City Address and confirmed that Mayor Edison would give the that speech on January 7, 2016 at 12:30 pm at the fire hall.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

1. Personal Achievement Award – Banks High School Varsity Volleyball Team
Mayor Edison announced that the 2015 Banks High School Varsity Volleyball Team became the 4A State Champions and presented the City of Banks Achievement Awards to Makenna Partain, Laysia Rosa, Nikayla Doane, who were present to accept awards on behalf of the team. He also recognized the other team members on the roster, noting their athletic and academic accomplishments, for the record as follows: Mary Schorn, Brittany Janssens, Ellie Schmidlin, Megan Bunn, Madelynn Standley, Kiana Yokoi, Alli VanLoo, Grace Buchanan, and Sharon McClean. Coaches for the team were Suzanne Alley, Diana Herb, Natalie Larsen, Aubrey Rue. He acknowledged the tremendous success the volleyball team had, noting they had participated in the State tournament in seven of the last eight years.
2. Banks Citizenship Award – Mark Ward
Mayor Edison announced that Mark Ward, owner of Jim's Thriftway, was selected as the winner of the 2015 Banks Citizenship Award. Mr. Ward was coaching basketball and unable to be present tonight, but would be formally recognized in March after the basketball season concluded.
3. Human Rights Proclamation - Salma Ahmad, The Human Rights Council of Washington County, said she was originally from the Philippines, and had been a member of the Human Rights Council since 2007. She briefly described the council's history and purpose, which included being a resource for those experiencing any social injustices. She recounted two incidences where the Humans Rights Council served as a resource in Tualatin and Aloha. She thanked the City Council for making the proclamation and presented the City with a copy of the grand prize winning poster from the recent Human Rights Poster Contest, "Speak Out and Be a Hero for Human Rights" in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. A ninth grader from Beaverton created the winning poster.

Mayor Edison read the Proclamation and presented the signed copy to Ms. Ahmad.

4. Certificate of Appreciation – Raymond Deeth, Planning Commission
Mayor Edison presented Mr. Deeth with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of his support of the City and seven years of service on the Planning Commission.
5. Certificate of Appreciation – Michelle Winters, Library Board

Mayor Edison presented Ms. Winters with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of her support of the City and five years of service on the Library Board.

BRIEFINGS AND PROGRAMS

6. Police Monthly Briefing – Deputy Hanlon presented the police report for November 2015. He addressed questions from City Council.
7. Planning Commission Liaison – Gene Stout, Planning Commission Chair, reported on the actions of the Planning Commission at its November meeting, which included review and discussion of draft documents regarding temporary business license regulations, especially as they related to mobile businesses.

CITY REPORTS

8. City Manager Report – City Manager Becker presented the City Manager Report via PowerPoint, which was included in the meeting packet, and addressed clarifying questions from Council. Library Director Holmes addressed questions regarding the upcoming site visit for the Ford Family Foundation grant review committee, adding that having such a visit was indeed significant.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

9. City Council Meeting Minutes – November 10th, 2015.
10. Shall the City Council approve the amendments to the City of Banks Website, Social Media, and Blogging Policy? (CL 2015-55)

Councilor Gregg moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Councilor Biehl seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 6-0. Ayes: Gregg, Biehl, Nelson, Branstitre, Keller, and Walsh; Nays: None.

PUBLIC HEARING – None

BUSINESS AGENDA

11. Shall the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 2015-11-01 Amending the Banks Code of Ordinances, creating a new section 32.50 (Economic Development Commission) in Title 3 (Administration), Chapter 32 (City Organizations), and creating the Economic Development Commission? (Second Reading and Final Adoption) (CL 2015-56)
City Attorney Kearns stated nothing had changed since First Reading. He explained that the qualifications for and duties of economic development commissions varied between jurisdictions and encouraged City Council to utilize the expertise on the City's Economic Development Commission.

Councilor Gregg moved that City Council conduct Second Reading, by title only, and Final Adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-11-01 Amending the Banks Code of Ordinances, creating a new section 32.50 (Economic Development Commission) in Title 3 (Administration), Chapter 32 (City Organizations), and creating the Economic Development Commission. Councilor Nelson seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 6-0. Ayes: Gregg, Biehl, Nelson, Branstitre, Keller, and Walsh; Nays: None.

City Recorder Lanter read Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-11-01.

12. Shall the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-18, authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with the Infrastructure Finance Authority for the \$20,000.00 forgivable loan for mapping the water lines in the City? (CL 2015-57)
City Manager Becker explained 'forgivable loan' was used because the title, 'grant', could not be used. Council briefly discussed concerns about obligations for repayment. Staff assured that the resolution and contract included language that the City was not obligated to repay the loan, noting that the State wanted this work done.

Councilor Branstitre moved that City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-18, authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with the Infrastructure Finance Authority for the \$20,000.00 forgivable loan for mapping the water lines in the City. Councilor Nelson seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 6-0. Ayes: Gregg, Biehl, Nelson, Branstitre, Keller, and Walsh; Nays: None.

City Council discussed the remaining work session agenda items at this time.

COUNCIL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Councilor Keller apologized for his absenteeism, noting it was not by choice. He noted the drones that had been flying over the city and suggested developing regulations to address safety and liability concerns. Following a brief discussion about nuisance issues, State and Federal laws, and enforcement, City Attorney Kearns agreed to research what other cities were doing and report back to Council.

Councilor Branstitre asked when the Christmas Tree Lighting Contest was being done. City Recorder Lanter replied the entry forms were due last Friday, but not many were submitted, so Ray Deeth extended the deadline an extra week. Judging would occur next week.

Councilor Walsh commented on how strange it was to have radio interference near City Hall.

Mayor Edison reported that the Tree Lighting Ceremony was terrific and commended City Manager Becker, City Recorder Lanter and Public Works for their great work. The Christmas tree looked better than those in the surrounding cities. He shared that Happy Valley had constructed a food cart pavilion or some structure that had bays for the food carts to park in and a separate area with tables where all the food trucks could be accessed. Apparently, every space had been leased out immediately. He was not certain of all the details, but suggested gathering more information and perhaps, taking a field trip, adding there were many ways to promote economic development.

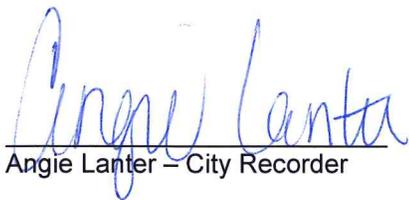
Library Director Holmes announced the Friends of the Library would be gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble for two days and that customers just needed to tell the cashier to donate a portion of the sale to the Friends of the Library in Banks. The Friends also benefitted from purchases made online. The last day for Christmas Pie Sales was Friday, December 18th. She noted more than 100 pies had been sold. Applications were available at the library and, she believed online on the Friends webpage.

Gene Stout, Planning Commission Chair, noted the gentleman who was going to open a distillery in town received a great job offer and would not be opening the business. He also reported that the Tae Kwon Do business would be moving out and the new tenant had discussed putting in a brew pub. The new tenant had been looking for property for a while, and had considered the Banks Café, but there were too many issues with the zoning, and apparently, no sewer connection existed for that building. He was not sure where the sewer was going for business and residence, but understood the owner of the Banks Café was considering tearing the building down.

City Manager Becker added the new tenant had also talked to her about opening a brewpub but had not yet filled out an application. She clarified another distillery was in the process of opening; the owner was getting his paperwork done through the State and would then apply with the City.

ADJOURN The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Submitted by:



Angie Lanter – City Recorder