



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ~ APPROVED
JUNE 12, 2014 AT 7:00 PM**

City Hall ~ 82877 Spruce St., Westlake, OR

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rebecca Ruede called the meeting of the Dunes City Council to order at 7:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by City Administrator/Recorder Fred Hilden.

Present: Mayor Rebecca Ruede, Council President Jamie Mills, Councilor Ed Scarberry, Councilor Maurice Sanders, Councilor Duke Wells, and Councilor Sheldon Meyer.

Absent/Excused: Councilor Dick Anderson

Also Present: Administrative Assistant Renee Green, Administrative Assistant Rapunzel Oberholtzer, ham radio expert Bob Pine of the Central Oregon Coast Amateur Radio Club, Water Quality Committee member and water tester Mark Chandler, and other citizens.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All who were present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Council President Mills made a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilor Scarberry seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Sanders requested that Item D, Receipts of the Session through June 6, 2014, be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed separately. Mayor Ruede agreed to address the item as the first order of business during Unfinished/Old Business discussion.

Councilor Sanders made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilor Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Ruede read aloud the list of announcements from the meeting agenda.

- A. June 4th was the first day candidates could file to run for open Council positions that will be on the November General Election ballot. The filing deadline is August 26th, 2014.
- B. Volunteers are needed to fill three Budget Committee openings, one Parks and Recreation Committee opening and one Water Tester for Siltcoos Lake.

Mayor Ruede noted that more information and filing forms are available for potential candidates to pick up at City Hall.

7. CITIZEN INPUT

Mayor Ruede introduced Mr. Bob Pine from the Central Oregon Coast Amateur Radio Club. Mr. Pine explained that the Club provided the volunteer radio communications for the Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon in May. Mr. Pine went on to explain that in addition to providing backup communications, ham radios are used for communication during major disaster emergencies such as earthquakes, tsunamis, fires, and floods. This month the Central Oregon Coast Club will be joining other clubs from across the country and Canada to test the emergency communications network during an event called Field Day. The event takes place on June 28th and 29th from 11:00 am on the 28th until 11:00 am on the 29th at Camp Sutton just north of Florence. Mr. Pine explained that Field Day is the largest ham radio event in the world, with more than 2,600 ham radio groups participating in last year's event. Last year during Field Day, the local club was able to use its emergency systems at the Florence Justice Center and the Fire Station to make contacts as far away as Washington DC and Alaska. During this year's event, the Club will be working in a mock scenario that assumes the Justice Center and the Fire Station have both been destroyed in a disaster. Four emergency communication stations will be set up at Camp Sutton and will be in operation for 24 hours. Mr. Pine invited everyone to join Club members at the campground to see the activities and get a hands-on demonstration at the "Get On the Air" station where visitors can make their own amateur radio contacts. "When all else fails, amateur radio gets through," is the ham radio operators' motto.

Mayor Ruede thanked Mr. Pine for his invitation, noting that Dunes City might participate in Field Day—there have been some discussions but nothing finalized. Responding to a question from City Administrator Hilden about cell phone and email service during disasters, Mr. Pine explained that during Field Day, Club members would demonstrate how it is possible to send email using ham radios. Mr. Pine noted that Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Chief Langborg was especially interested in that particular ability because it might be the only way he would be able to communicate outside the immediate area when a disaster hits.

8. PRESENTATION

A. Annual Water Testing Results

Mayor Ruede invited Mark Chandler, a member of the Water Quality Committee, to proceed with his presentation about water testing for Woahink and Siltcoos Lakes.

Mr. Chandler began his presentation by thanking Dunes City residents for their support of the water testing program and thanking the Water Quality Committee and Water Testers for making testing and monitoring possible.

Mr. Chandler explained that the water testing of Woahink was started in 1989 by former resident Bob Anderson who moved out of the area and passed the program to Mr. Chandler in 2003. The Siltcoos water testing program was started in 2004.

Some of the partners participating in the water testing program are Siuslaw Watershed Council, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Human Services, Center for Lakes and Reservoirs, Honeyman State Park, and, of course, the volunteers. Labs that process water samples include Oregon State University, which tests for nutrients, and University of Washington, which tests for chlorophyll. Testing parameters include Secchi disk depth, water temperature, dissolved oxygen levels, ph, algae species, chlorophyll A, nutrients (particularly phosphorus and nitrogen), and turbidity.

Mr. Chandler showed slide photos of common “creatures” that live in water, blue green algae and a diatom algae. Mr. Chandler went on to show charts illustrating Secchi depths and algae bloom levels on the lakes over years that data has been recorded and pointed out the years where the charts revealed levels of algae blooms that required health alerts. Reviewing the chart about chlorophyll and phosphorus levels on the lakes, Mr. Chandler pointed out that they are measured in micrograms per year and that the levels have improved in both lakes since testing began. He noted that since the septic ordinance and phosphorus control ordinance have been in effect levels are notably lower, so the ordinances appear to be having a positive effect.

Mr. Chandler pointed out that Woahink is more sensitive to pollutants from its watershed because it is smaller than Siltcoos and has a more densely populated watershed. He went on to explain that in 2012 the Oregon Health Authority took samples of various drinking water sources and measured for 230 chemicals. In Siltcoos, Deet was identified. In Woahink, minimal amounts of copper and lead were detected, likely from road runoff. In both lakes, sterols were detected. Mr. Chandler pointed out that the levels were barely detectible and well within accepted standards, and although Woahink’s level of lead was about 15% of the health standard—still considered insignificant—the report from Oregon Health Authority was very, very good news.

Mr. Chandler ended his presentation by noting that the data shows that Dunes City’s drinking water sources seem to have been protected over the years by some of the regulatory measures in place in the City. Comparing the average cost of water to residents of

Florence and the cost to Dunes City residents for septic inspections, Mr. Chandler noted that Dunes City's costs are significantly lower. He added that by preserving water quality residents can maintain property values, provide recreational opportunities for residents and visitors and avoid a costly City-wide water system. Mr. Chandler also added that one of the best and most positive ways to preserve water quality is to keep a reasonable septic system maintenance ordinance in place—prevention is cheap but restoring a lake is expensive and likely impossible.

Mayor Ruede thanked Mr. Chandler for his interesting and informative presentation and asked him if the Water Quality Committee had identified someone to take his place when he moves to Florence later this year. Mr. Chandler noted that the Committee was still considering its options.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Resolution Series 2014, No. 7 (06/06/2014) – Adopting Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget

Mayor Ruede introduced this agenda item and read from a prepared script for Public Hearings.

“We will be conducting a Public Hearing on the Dunes City Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 this evening. A notice of this Hearing was published in the *Siuslaw News* on May 31, 2014, consistent with State Budget Law. A copy of the Budget as approved by the Dunes City Budget Committee on May 6, 2014 has been available at City Hall since that date.

“I will now open the Public Hearing for the Dunes City Budget for fiscal year 2014-2015 at 7:30 pm.

“Is there anyone in the audience that would like to comment on the budget?”

There were no comments from the audience or questions from Councilors.

Mayor Ruede continued, “I will now close the Public Hearing at 7:32 pm.”

“I will now entertain a motion to adopt Resolution Series 2014, No. 7, adopting the Dunes City 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget.”

Councilor Sanders made the motion stated by Mayor Ruede. Councilor Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. There were no opposed votes and no abstentions. There was one absence (Councilor Anderson).

10. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS

Aa. Receipts of the Session through June 6, 2014

Mayor Ruede opened discussion of this agenda item, added to Unfinished/Old Business at the request of Councilor Sanders during discussion of the Consent Agenda. Councilor Sanders asked City Administrator/Recorder Hilden to clarify whether the item “Grant/Misc. Fees Oregon Community Foundation” listed in the receipts is a grant or a gift of money. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that the check was referenced as a grant by the donating entity but was in fact a gift stipulated to be used “to directly benefit and improve the quality of life for citizens.”

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden went on to explain that the funds would be received in the General Fund but, because there is no allocation for spending the funds in the budget and no appropriation for the funds, none of the money can be spent in this current budget cycle. Instead, the money will have to be allocated and spent in the 2015-2016 budget cycle. City Councilor Sanders clarified that the City had not requested the money and there was no matching funds requirement—the gift was a complete surprise. Administrator/Recorder Hilden offered to provide the Councilors with a copy of the letter that accompanied the gift. He noted that the Foundation identified 13 Oregon cities, including Dunes City, that had not received any grant funds from the Foundation in 40 years.

Mayor Ruede noted that she planned to make a special presentation and public thank you to the Fund Administrator in the near future.

Councilor Sanders made a motion to adopt the Receipts of the Session as presented. Councilor Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

A. Ad Hoc Committee – Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon Merchandising

Councilor Sanders noted that the Committee was formed for the purpose of identifying and pricing promotional items for the event. With those tasks completed now, Councilor Sanders asked Mayor Ruede to dissolve the ad hoc committee. Mayor Ruede agreed, noting that during the event debriefing meeting there was discussion about forming a standing committee chaired by a Councilor (or two) to work on the ongoing requirements for producing the annual event, such as marketing sponsorships and recruiting volunteers.

Councilors Sanders suggested that City staff be available to participate on the Committee. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden noted that staff would be available as necessary and added that staff would draft language for an appropriate resolution to form the Committee, if necessary, for the July Council meeting.

B. Ad Hoc Committee – Property Disposition and/or Acquisition

In light of Councilor Anderson’s absence from the meeting, City Administrator/Recorder Hilden provided an update of the Committee’s progress by telling Councilors that the Committee’s work was essentially in a holding pattern until he and Councilor Anderson have time to further discuss the issues and gather additional information and/or advice from the City Attorney. Hopefully, more information and possible recommendation(s) will be available for an upcoming City Council meeting.

C. Ad Hoc Committee – Septic Education Program

Councilor Wells announced that his Committee met three times and completed their assigned tasks, finding that it would be feasible for Dunes City to undertake a Septic Education Program. Councilor Wells proceeded to read the Committee's findings and recommendations aloud for the Council.

First, I would like to thank the members of our committee for their commitment and contributions to our task. At our first meeting, we discussed what we thought a comprehensive, deliverable and useful septic education program should include.

A septic education program should first be accessible to all the citizens of Dunes City. We feel that there are a few groups of citizens that may need an opportunity for some basic septic system knowledge. A new citizen to Dunes City that has never lived in a home with a septic system, or a new resident that is renting a home in our City, both need to have an understanding of how a septic system works and why it is so important to make sure their system is used and maintained properly.

We discussed ways to accomplish our goals of septic education. We felt the first contact with residents is very important. Potential Dunes City residents need to be informed that all of our City's homes use septic systems for waste disposal. They need to be given an introductory pamphlet to educate them on the basics of septic system use. These pamphlets should be available at Dunes City hall, local real estate offices and property management businesses.

After our first meeting, our task was to check with the local real estate, property management and title companies, to see how they felt about being a part of an education program. We could include our septic education pamphlets in their clients' folders. All parties we asked were 100% on board with the idea; they also realized how important the first contact would be.

At our second meeting, we discussed other means that would help us get our septic education program message out to the citizens of Dunes City. We feel we should employ every available means possible to get the information out to our residents. The newsletter, put out by our Communication and Education Committee, could be used to report on important facts and updates regarding the Federal, State, and local septic regulations. Also, the newsletter could be used to inform our citizens of upcoming seminars regarding septic management.

We like the idea of having an "Information Day" at the community center where all of the Committees and Commissions can share information with our citizens. We could include them on activities and any new or important information that the committees have been working on (not just septic information). We are also looking into the possibility of having professionals come to the community center to hold a seminar and share their specialized knowledge. We contacted local septic pumping officials certified by Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Every one we spoke with said they would come, share their

knowledge with us, and bring along pamphlets. Their main concern was making sure we had an audience for them to present information to. We feel we could accomplish this by using our newsletters, public service announcements with local radio stations, newspapers, and an announcement at our monthly Council meetings. We could use an RSVP to insure an audience for any visiting professional that would come to speak on this very important issue.

At our third meeting, we did a review of information that we gathered, and discussed what we wanted to report to the Council. As Chairman, I chose a loose format for our meetings; I feel that you get a lot more input in a relaxed roundtable style meeting. We did have a little mission drift; from septic education to water quality, to Ordinance no. 203 and back to septic education, but overall, I felt the members did a good job. We believe that a comprehensive, deliverable and useful education program for Dunes City is very realistic and possible. The faster we get started on this project the faster our City can adjust and move on from this very important issue's notoriety.

Councilor Wells went on to note that the Committee has “loads” of new, up to date information it can share and all of the Committee members expressed interest in being part of the group or groups that work on developing a septic education program. Mayor Ruede and Councilor Wells expressed thanks to Committee members Councilor Ed Scarberry, citizen Bonnie Allen and citizen Suzie Navetta for their hard work and diligence in gathering information. Mayor Ruede also thanked Councilor Wells for his leadership and his findings and recommendations.

D. Resolution Series 2014, No. 8 – Workers’ Comp for Volunteers

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden introduced the agenda item by noting that it had been on last month’s agenda as Resolution Series 2014, No. 4 (A resolution extending workers’ compensation coverage to volunteers of Dunes City...), but could not be discussed at that time because the format in which it was presented was modified the day of the Council meeting by the insurance provider. With the format now approved, the subject could be discussed. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden pointed out that the content in this Resolution was essentially the same as presented last month, but was more specific with respect to regular key public events for which the City volunteers should be covered and other special events that would be covered with two-week advance notice to the insurance carrier, such as an Information Day where volunteers are participating and the City wants them covered by Workers’ Comp.

Councilor Sanders asked whether the Resolution would impact the rates the City pays to CIS for insurance. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that he was not expecting any significant rate increases with the passage of the Resolution, noting that the City pays only for the coverage that it uses. He further noted that the bulk of the coverage is for Road Commission volunteers doing street maintenance work.

Mayor Ruede entertained a motion to adopt Resolution Series 2014, No. 8 (06/12/2014).

Councilor Meyer made the motion. Councilor Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. There were no votes in opposition and no abstentions. There was one absence (Councilor Anderson).

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Volunteer of the Year Award Selection

Mayor Ruede noted that nominations for the City's annual Volunteer of the Year Award are usually accepted during the month of May. This year the nomination is for Mr. George Burke.

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that the Volunteer of the Year Award program was started by Resolution in 2012, spearheaded by Councilor Wells. He went on to explain that the first Volunteer of the Year was Robert Reed and the second was former resident Lee Riechel. The only nomination received for this year was for Mr. Burke.

Councilor Wells made a motion to select Mr. George Burke as Dunes City's 2014 Volunteer of the Year. The motion was seconded by Councilor Meyer.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor Ruede noted that Mr. Burke has been involved with various Dunes City Committees/Commissions and volunteer activities for years, adding that she is honored to support his nomination. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden clarified that the nominations are generally received in May, the recipient is chosen during the June Council meeting and the award is presented during Council meeting in July or August, depending upon the recipient's availability. Councilors agreed that Mr. Burke was a great choice for the award.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

B. Road Commission Appointment

Mayor Ruede asked City Administrator/Recorder Hilden to introduce the applicant for the Road Commission vacancy. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that the Application for Appointive Office was made by long-term Dunes City resident Roy Donaghey who owns a local business and is anxious to join the Commission. He went on to recommend that the Council make the appointment.

Councilor Wells made a motion to appoint Roy Donaghey to the Road Commission of Dunes City. Councilor Sanders seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

C. Resolution Series 2014, No. 9, General Fund Transfer

Mayor Ruede introduced this agenda item (a Resolution transferring funds from the General Fund Operating Contingency to the General Fund Materials and Services-Legal) by explaining that the Ordinance Review Committee and the Planning Commission have been assigned the huge tasks of reviewing ordinances and code to bring them current and have been working on them for months. The legal bill, while high, can be considered deferred legal expense because it has taken a long time to prepare their work for review and recommendations by the City Attorney.

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that the Bills of the Session, approved earlier by the Council, included legal bills from both April and May due to an administrative process by the law firm to bring its billing cycle current and on the City's books in a more timely fashion. He added that about \$10,000 of the legal bill was a result of the City Attorney's review of changes to Chapter 155 recommended by the Planning Commission, all of which will help make the code more defensible as well as clear and objective.

Councilor Meyer made a motion to adopt Resolution Series 2014, No. 9. Councilor Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. There were no votes in opposition and no abstentions. There was one absence (Councilor Anderson).

D. Resolution Series 2014, No. 10, Building Code Fund Transfer

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that this agenda item was also a budget-related matter (a Resolution transferring funds from the Building Codes Fund Operating Contingency to the Building Codes Fund Materials and Services – Building Department Services) and has no impact on the City's cash position. It is made necessary by an infusion of cash coming in from new home structural building permits and causing fee revenue to be high enough that the City has to transfer contingency money into materials and services so that the City isn't violating State law.

Council President Mills made a motion to adopt Resolution Series 2014, No. 10. Councilor Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. There were no votes in opposition and no abstentions. There was one absence (Councilor Anderson).

E. Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon Merchandise

City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that he was asking Council's approval to spend about \$200 for website maintenance to have the Triathlon and Duathlon merchandise photos and pricing uploaded. He noted that his request was primarily submitted for the Council's information as funds are already allocated for website work.

Councilors agreed that staff should proceed. Councilor Meyer pointed out that there would be a small ad for merchandise in the newsletter that is in the works.

Mayor Ruede also pointed out that Jim Mitchell of Coastal Fitness has agreed to display merchandise at his business.

F. Ordinance No. 203 Status

Mayor Ruede explained that she requested this agenda item so that Councilors could discuss and determine next steps, if any, to take on the issue which is of concern to many of Dunes City's residents. From her conversations with residents, she went on to add, it seems there is more of a willingness to work toward a commonly acceptable Ordinance. Possible action could be to send the existing Ordinance to the Ordinance Review Committee to review and make recommendations for new language and then send it to the Planning Commission with instructions to appoint a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to gather information and ideas that would make the Ordinance the best that it can be.

A lengthy discussion among all of the Councilors ensued. Included were questions about how changes to Ordinance No. 203 would affect the proposed updates to the Comprehensive Plan that are in the works. Council President Mills noted that the changes to the Comp Plan will not likely be completed for quite some time and will require further review and recommendations by a Citizen Advisory Committee. There was some concern that any City Committee undertaking changes to Ordinance No. 203 without direct citizen input would be wasting its time—the perception is that many, many residents are not happy with Ordinance No. 203. It was suggested that a CAC could gather citizen input before any Committee works on changes.

In further discussion, Councilor Wells noted that while citizens are understanding of the City's somewhat lengthy process to update code and the Comp Plan and have been patient, Council should make this issue a high priority because it has been in the works for several years. He added that Dunes City residents deserve a septic ordinance that is fair, and many citizens feel Ordinance No. 203 is not fair. There was some discussion about placing a vote on the type of regulations preferred on the November ballot as an alternative to the review/rewrite process for Ordinance No. 203.

Discussion moved on to water quality. Councilor Meyer noted that there are two key issues for Dunes City citizens: water quality and an ability to maintain septic systems so that the City doesn't need a City-wide sewer system that costs millions of dollars. He also noted that there has been progress during the last few years on the septic issue and Mr. Chandler's water quality presentation illustrated that lake water pollution has decreased noticeably over the years and the decrease could be attributed to the implementation of septic and phosphate regulations. Councilor Meyer added that the Septic Education Committee's program would be invaluable in educating citizens about the need for septic systems and maintenance, and that he would like to see a solid ordinance that makes it clear that citizens have a responsibility to maintain their septic systems. He added that he attended a League of Oregon Cities meeting and learned that there are cities that are having to spend millions of dollars on sewer systems and many cities are having problems securing adequate water supplies at all.

During more discussion, it was generally agreed that the City should commit to finishing work on this issue as soon as possible, get citizens involved and provide more education about the importance of septic system maintenance so the City doesn't have to tax residents for a water system in the future. There was more discussion about a timeline to think about suggestions for a process to move forward. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden pointed out that a new Citizen Involvement process has been implemented and provides a vehicle for Citizen Advisory Committees to be activated. Councilor Sander suggested that the Council not delay starting the process.

Council President Mills made a motion that a re-examination and review of 203 be referred to the Planning Commission with instructions that they call a CAC under the terms and conditions that are allowable under State law and that they work with the City Recorder/City Manager to have whatever experts are necessary to do the job.

Councilor Sanders commented that he was not sure he understood the motion and asked whether the motion was to direct the Planning Commission to convene a CAC to conduct a review of Ordinance 203. **He would second the motion if that was correct.**

Council President Mills clarified that was the motion and noted that the motion should include **for purposes of making a recommendation for language changes, if any.**

During discussion of the motion, there was some concern that the CAC process would not include a vehicle for feedback from all Dunes City citizens like a vote process would because not all citizens will participate. There was some discussion about the possibility of putting the issue to voters to try to get a true majority opinion. It was noted that there is nothing to prevent a group of citizens from preparing a ballot initiative on the issue while the CAC review is underway.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

12. REPORTS

Mayor's Report: Mayor Ruede noted that more information about the presentation to the Oregon Community Foundation will be available soon and Dunes City is planning to participate with the ham radio operators in their Field Day event the weekend of June 28.

Communication and Education Committee Report: Councilor Meyer reported that he attended the League of Oregon Cities meeting, as noted earlier in the meeting, and that he approved the first draft of the June newsletter which will include an insert about Scotch broom eradication. If Councilors have any changes to the draft newsletter, they should be sent to City Hall by noon on Monday the 16th. Mayor Ruede thanked Councilor Meyer for taking the time to attend the LOC meeting.

Ordinance Review Committee Report: Council President Mills reported that there had not been a meeting.

Water Quality Committee Report: Council President Mills reported that the Committee met on May 21st and water testers reported that Woahink's Secchi disk readings were much better than last year. One of the Committee's main focuses is to provide education about boat flushing—there are several tasks assigned to Committee members in that regard and recommendations are in the works. Committee member Bonnie Allen has been working on creating testing training videos and she will also contact Oregon Lake Watch to find out if there are ready-made videos available. Dissolved oxygen testing equipment is being evaluated. Work continues to get test results on the City's website.

Community Center Report: Councilor Wells had no new news to report.

Conservation Committee Report: On behalf of Councilor Anderson, City Administrator/Recorder Hilden reported that there was no activity.

Parks and Recreation Committee: Councilor Scarberry reported that a meeting was held during which Committee members visited the surplus lot by the boat ramp that the City is thinking of selling. The Committee will meet again in August to continue discussion and look at City maps that include all city property and parks. The next meeting will be August 21.

Road Commission Report and May Draft Minutes: Councilor Sanders reported that there was no quorum present for the May 19th meeting so no meeting was held. Road work bids have been received. The Transportation Growth and Management grant application was sent electronically this date and will be mailed tomorrow. City Administrator/Recorder Hilden explained that the TGM grant is a planning grant jointly administered by DLCDC and ODOT to help pay for things like plans to upgrade street systems, bicycle and pedestrian paths plans, street lighting improvement plans, and street and signage inventory systems plans. There was a meeting on June 2nd and the next meeting of the Road Commission will be July 21st.

Emergency Services Report: City Administrator/Recorder Hilden reported that SVFR Chief Langborg presented an additional training video focused on Emergency Operations Centers and Incident Command training, leaders need updated training. It was noted that the Emergency Manuals needed to be updated. The next meeting of WLEOG will be June 16th at 10:00 am at the fire station. Following his report City Administrator/Recorder Hilden was asked if it would be possible for Dunes City to acquire tsunami signage specific to the City. The signs are here but have to be installed by the County in their proper locations. Councilor Sanders noted that the City of Florence has applied for a grant for tsunami signage and asked if Dunes City could do the same—City Administrator/Recorder will look into it.

City Administrator/Recorder/Planning Staff Report: City Administrator/Recorder Hilden reported that the City's permit activity is still strong with a total of nine new permits issued, including one for a new home on Cloud Nine. The Planning Commission held an executive session on May 27th to review the City Attorney's comments and suggestions for changes to Chapter 155. The bicycle and pedestrian path needs assessment was conducted in May and results are being prepared for a presentation to the City Council. The street maintenance project bids came in with the lowest at approximately \$6,000 under the estimate provided by the City

Engineer. The winning bid is going to Johnson Rock Products and work is expected to be completed during July and August. There has been an increase in the number of cougar and bear sightings in the City—there will be an article in the newsletter reminding residents to be alert and careful. The City Council meeting videos posted on the website have been very well received and staff will continue to upload those on a new tab called “Video Minutes.” Administrative Assistant Renee Green has been updating the septic system database in preparation for sending out compliance letters to lakefront property owners beginning in June.

13. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Council President Mills thanked Barry Jensen for volunteering to mow around the Parkway area and Byrd Park. She went on to point out the beautiful new artwork in the Council Chambers provided by high school students.

Councilor Sanders suggested that the City look into acquiring a display case to display Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon memorabilia from the first event through the subsequent years and noted that it would be a good way to document the history of the event. Councilor Sanders inquired about the whereabouts of the Dunes, France, flag—it is back in Dunes City and will be on display when a good location for it is determined.

Councilor Wells invited any of the younger residents of Dunes City to consider running for open Council positions in November and, potentially, bring a new perspective to the Council.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruede requested a motion for adjournment. Councilor Meyer made the motion to adjourn. Councilor Scarberry seconded the motion. There was no vote taken.

Mayor Ruede adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

APPROVED BY THE DUNES CITY COUNCIL ON THE 10th DAY OF JULY 2014.

[Signed copy available at City Hall]
Rebecca Ruede, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signed copy available at City Hall]
Fred Hilden, City Recorder