Press Release – Dunes City Appoints New Mayor

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In the wake of the death of former Dunes City Mayor Rebecca Ruede, during Special Session held on August 24th, the City Council appointed Robert Forsythe to serve as the new mayor for the remainder of Mrs. Ruede’s term.

Mr. Forsythe, a Vietnam Veteran, spent 16 years in manufacturing with a focus on Procurement and Equipment Management. In 1990, he was hired by the University of California San Diego where he worked as Purchasing Manager and Equipment Manager and finished his career at the Santa Cruz camps as Director of Procurement and Business Contracts in 2009. He also designed, created and taught faculty and staff at the University a class on negotiations.

Bob moved to Florence in 2009 after retiring and served on several committees and organizations, including being the Chair of the City EMAC team and the chair of the Florence Budget Committee until his move to Dunes City.

Bob also served as Port Manager beginning in 2012, where he worked to change processes, increase revenues and head count. He left the port in December of 2015, but not before working and achieving passage of a State senate bill that allows Ports to contract and work with telecommunication companies to land off-shore cable that would run to the I-5 corridor and share the profits in doing so.

Bob and his wife, Cindy, moved to Dunes City in June of 2015. He ran for the Dunes City Council as a write-in candidate and was elected to the position in 2016. The City is grateful to Bob for coming forward during this difficult time to keep the Dunes City government operations running smoothly.