



**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES ~ APPROVED
MARCH 21, 2019 AT 5:00 PM**

City Hall ~ 82877 Spruce St., Westlake, OR

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robert Forsythe called the Thursday, March 21, 2019, special session of the Dunes City Council to order at 5:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by City Administrator/Recorder Jamie Mills.

Present: Mayor Robert Forsythe, Council President Sheldon Meyer, Councilor Duke Wells, Councilor Tom Mallen, and Councilor Robert Orr.

Absent: Councilor Alan Montgomery.

Absent and Excused: Councilor Susan Snow.

Also Present: Planning Secretary Rapunzel Oberholtzer, several Dunes City residents, and *Siuslaw News* reporter Jared Anderson.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All who were present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councilor Mallen made a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilor Orr seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

City Administrator/Recorder Mills read aloud from the list of announcements on the agenda and those distributed to Councilors prior to the start of the meeting:

- A. Dunes City is looking for volunteers to help out with the 7th annual Dunes City Triathlon and Duathlon. Volunteers are urged to register early so they have the best chance to get their first choice for their assigned location.

- B. The Emergency Expo will be held at the Florence Events Center on March 30. Watch the *Siuslaw News* for details.
- C. The first public hearing on an Ordinance to adopt new Flood Damage Prevention Code will be held before the Planning Commission on April 25, 2019, at 6:00 pm and on May 8 at the City Council.
- D. “The Wall That Heals” will be on display at the Siuslaw Middle School, 2525 Oak Street in Florence, Thursday, April 4, to Sunday, April 7, 24-hours a day. This is a 375-foot, three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington DC bearing the names of the more than 58,000 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam.

6. CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS NOT DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC HEARING

There was none.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Speed Bumps on Maple Drive

Mayor Forsythe reminded everyone that this subject was discussed in the March 13 City Council meeting. He pointed out that the Oregon DMV handbook specifies speed limits as 15 mph on a single-lane gravel or paved road, and 25 mph on a double-lane paved road, unless there is a school zone where the speed limit is 20 mph. He explained that he thought the situation was a safety or nuisance issue in the neighborhood, and he suggested that the City send a letter to Sheriff Trapp and one to the State Police informing them that there is a community safety issue and also send letters to the residents in the area informing them that if there are more complaints, the Sheriff will be called. He went on to explain that this approach would save the City from investing in speed bumps and additional signage.

City Administrator/Recorder Mills explained that she confirmed with ODOT the road is 19-feet or so wide and the speed limit would be 25 mph.

Council President Meyer explained that he did not object to a speed limit sign as a reminder to residents, but after driving the road he could not see a need for speed bumps. Mr. Rory Hammond, who was in the audience, noted that during the March 13 Council meeting, one of the residents complained about speeding at the bottom of Maple Drive where the mailboxes were located and asked for a speed bump to be placed there.

There was further discussion in which there was some debate about installation of speed bumps. Councilor Orr reminded everyone that in the March 13 meeting, Councilors agreed to speed limit signage. Mayor Forsythe suggested that the letter he proposed should include a caution to residents explaining that the City would take no further

action unless it received more complaints. There was some discussion about alternative speed limiting options, including a “Slow Children Playing” sign.

Following discussion, it was agreed to install two 25-mph speed limit signs, one speed bump at the bottom of the road by the mailboxes and one “Slow Children Playing” sign, as well as sending the letters suggested by Mayor Forsythe.

8. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

There was no discussion.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Orr made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Mallen seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mayor Forsythe adjourned the meeting at 5:36 pm.

APPROVED BY THE DUNES CITY COUNCIL ON THE 10^h DAY OF APRIL 2019

[Signed copy available at City Hall]

Robert Forsythe, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jamie Mills, City Administrator/Recorder