

1 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

2  
3 January 11, 2006

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6 Attended: Jim Hamsher, Mayor  
7 Tom McAuslan, Councilor  
8 Mark Wishard, Councilor  
9 Marvin Casebeer, Councilor  
10 Mike Springer, Councilor  
11 Don Strong, Councilor  
12 Bob Titus, Public Works  
13 Jim Wood, Public Safety  
14 Andy Demko  
15 Dianne Lesniak  
16 Donita Adams  
17 Joe Hitz  
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19 Mayor Hamsher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The roll was called, Roger  
20 McKinley being absent. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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22 Andy Demko and Dianne Lesniak were recognized and addressed the Council regarding  
23 the status of Camp Logan Days. They said the new owner of the Oxbow Ranch had  
24 denied their request to use the property for the annual event. They said they are actively  
25 looking for an alternate site and may have located one on Bear Creek, but if it doesn't  
26 work out they wanted to know about using the City's industrial area property. There was  
27 discussion of the amount and type of property needed for the event. The City agreed to  
28 work with them if need be. It was also agreed that the City would again provide water  
29 for the event.

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31 Donita Adams addressed the Council with a request for a donation to the Senior Grad  
32 Night Party. It was noted that the City allocates \$20 per student. Adams said there are  
33 only 8 students in the class this year. It was suggested that the City could donate a little  
34 more since it was a small class. **MSP: To donate \$200 to the 2006 Senior Grad Night  
35 Party, Mike Springer/Mark Wishard.**

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37 Planning: The Council was asked to consider the approval of a conditional use appeal  
38 from Elmer and Iva Gill. There was discussion of why it took the Gill's so long to sign  
39 and return the non-remonstrance agreement. There was also discussion of their building  
40 of a structure without a permit or looking into any of the rules. **MSP: To approve the  
41 conditional use appeal, Marvin Casebeer, Mark Wishard. Mike Springer opposed.**

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43 Public Safety: Jim Wood addressed the Council regarding a request to draft an ordinance  
44 to give the Police Department the authority to ban citizens from public areas. He  
45 recapped an incident wherein some teens accosted people in the City Park and tried to

1 start a fight. He instructed the teens to leave the park but they returned later and were  
2 cited for criminal trespass. The DA said he wasn't sure if he could prosecute if the City  
3 didn't have an ordinance in place covering the issue. Wood said he obtained a copy of  
4 the Portland ordinance from the League of Oregon Cities and asked the Council to  
5 consider drafting one for the City. The Recorder said she could also get copies of the  
6 same type ordinance from other cities. It was agreed the Council would consider it.

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8 Wood also said the department will need to obtain training on the new standardized field  
9 sobriety test and intoxilizer in order to qualify for any DUII grants. He said he had not  
10 received the service records on the Durangos from the motor pool yet. He also said there  
11 is a grant available to obtain a thermal imager through Homeland Security. The grant  
12 would not require matching funds and the equipment can be used by the fire department  
13 as well. It was generally agreed that he should go ahead and apply.

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15 Landfill: A written report was received.

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17 Public Works: Bob Titus said he had been spending most of his time in his new office  
18 and that the door had been installed. He said they'd start working outside when it quits  
19 raining. He said he attended a meeting at TEC and that summer help would be available  
20 for 1 or 2 day projects. It was agreed that the summer help hired by the city should be  
21 recruited through TEC.

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23 Tom McAuslan said he had looked at the roof of the recycling building and  
24 recommended repairs be made. He said the problem could be solved by re-roofing over  
25 the top of the old one. It was agreed that the drainage problem inside the building could  
26 be solved by pouring a 4" slab floor. Jim Hamsher said he would look into having the  
27 FFA students do the work. McAuslan said he raised the platform to the paper trailer to  
28 provide better and safer access.

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30 Bob Titus said the electrical inspector may give approval on proposed modification of the  
31 J-boxes soon.

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33 Titus was asked if the meters were read in December but he said he didn't know. It was  
34 determined that they weren't read as directed. Titus said he didn't know why. There was  
35 discussion of the weather, however, it was determined that was not a factor during that  
36 time period. The Council said it should not have to be discussed at every meeting and  
37 that public works needs to understand the meters are to be read every month. Titus said  
38 he would take care of it.

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40 Well Drilling: Joe Hitz said he had looked into the two agreements regarding easements  
41 and that both are recorded. He said one references a map that he cannot locate. Tom  
42 McAuslan said he would do some checking. It was noted that the state had approved the  
43 plan submitted by the City but that they had concerns over the City meeting its schedule  
44 of completing the improvements by July 15 and that no land owner agreements are in  
45 place. It was noted that no one had talked with either landowner lately. Jim Hamsher  
46 said he would arrange a meeting with John Coombs.

1 Accounts Payable: The Council was asked to consider payment of the 5% retainer being  
2 withheld from Winegar Excavating. Joe Hitz explained that the 5% was for worked  
3 already completed, and even though the project wasn't completely done, the 5% was for  
4 the completed portion. He said the only part left is crack sealing and that would be billed  
5 separately. **MSP: To release the 5% to Winegar, Mike Springer/Mark Wishard.**  
6 **MSP: To approve the 12/28 and 1/11 payables, Mike Springer/Marvin Casebeer.**  
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8 Ordinances/Resolutions: The council was asked to approve Resolution 2006-01  
9 providing for a budget transfer of \$20,839 within the Road Fund to cover the additional  
10 cost of snow plowing equipment. **MSP: To adopt Resolution 2006-01, Mike**  
11 **Springer/Tom McAuslan.**  
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13 Other Business: The Council approved a request by the office staff to purchase a  
14 panoramic print of the City taken around the turn of the century and recently restored.  
15 The Council also approved the letter to Ingo Wedde. It was noted that the plaque for  
16 honoring Natasha Gregg had been made and there was discussion as to when and how it  
17 should be presented. It was agreed that a ceremony in which the fire department and the  
18 public could attend should be arranged. No date was set. The recorder said she had not  
19 had a chance to get to Depot Park yet to measure the flag pole in order to have a plaque  
20 made for Stan Horrell and Larry Wright. There was mention of when the City would  
21 incorporate a sewer rate increase. The Recorder said she was putting together the figures  
22 for the Council's consideration. Jim Hamsher said he had met with a wireless internet  
23 provider and would be getting some cost projections.  
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25 **7:40 p.m. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.**  
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27 Respectfully submitted:  
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30 Diane Clingman, City Recorder

Approved this Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jim Hamsher, Mayor