

1 Mayor Vini Samuel presiding.
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3 **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Samuel at 7:00 p.m.
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5 **FLAG CEREMONY:** Pledge of Allegiance
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7 **ROLL CALL:** Councilman Wood, Councilwoman Cristobal, Councilman Trimble and Councilman Bryson
8 were all present. Councilman Cope and Councilman Skaramuca were absent.
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10 Councilman Trimble made a motion to excuse the absent council members which was seconded by
11 Councilman Wood.

12 *Motion passed 4-0*
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14 **STAFF PRESENT:** CFO Streeter, Police Chief Vance, Fire Chief Rux, Public Works Director Olden, Forester
15 Hiner, City Attorney Coker and Deputy Clerk Lillegard were all present.
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17 **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Councilman Trimble presented the bills totaling \$253,079.27 for checks #53641 to
18 #53658.
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20 **PAYROLL:** \$102,430.83 for checks #40829 to #40831.
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22 Councilman Trimble made a motion to approve the bills as audited with a second by Councilman Wood.
23 *Motion passed 4-0.*
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25 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilman Trimble made a motion to approve the minutes of the February
26 12, 2019 council meeting with a second by Councilman Bryson. There were no corrections or additions.
27 *Motion passed 4-0.*
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29 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
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31 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** The only committee which met was the Council of Governments. Mayor
32 Samuel reported there was low news from that committee. She advised the council that Ocean Shores
33 Councilmember and C.O.G. committee member Jeff Daniel passed away on Monday; our condolences to
34 Ocean Shores and his family.
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36 **PRESENTATION:** Forester Hiner made his annual report presentation regarding the projects which have
37 happened in 2018 and the beginning of 2019 in the city forest which included planting, weed spot
38 spraying, thinning, cutting, roadside mowing, and site prep spraying for planting; we sold approximately
39 138 acres of timber last year. For 2019, our planting has been delayed due to the cold weather but will
40 happen in March; we have one new intern hired for this year with a second one about to be chosen;
41 plans to meet with a prospective contractor for the cut-to-length thinning contract are in the works.
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43 Mayor Samuel added that Forester Hiner continued with his trail hikes, trail maintenance and has
44 finished the trails plan which had been passed at the end of 2017. He continues to be a stalwart for
45 appearing for FOSLS, the Full Monte and is contracted with Hoquiam and Aberdeen to manage their
46 forests.
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48 **OLD BUSINESS: Fred & Ann Becker Permissive Use Application**

49 Councilman Trimble made a motion to accept and grant the permissive use application made by the
50 Beckers for the alleyway located behind lots 11, 12, 13 Block 3 of John Canby's Addition; Parcel
51 #07230030100. Councilman Wood made a second to the motion.

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53 **DISCUSSION:** Mayor Samuel advised the city had sent out notices to the surrounding properties even
54 though they were not required to. So far the city has gotten three favorable responses. It was noted
55 this permissive use does not change the traditional and current practice for use of this alley. Attorney
56 Coker clarified this permissive use permit is allowing the Beckers permissive use of this property to the
57 exclusion of others except the city to access this property. CFO Streeter commented there are no
58 access restrictions to any other properties with the granting of this permissive use permit.

59 *Motion passed 4-0*

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61 **NEW BUSINESS: Council Vacancy**

62 With the resignation of Councilman Hatley, this now leaves an open seat. Mayor Samuel advised we will
63 advertise for applications to fill this vacancy to be received by April 2nd with interviews and action being
64 taken at the April 9th council meeting. The application notice will be placed on the website, in the
65 newsletter and published in the paper.

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67 **East Beacon Avenue Chip Seal Project**

68 Councilman Trimble made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the East Beacon Chip Seal Consultant
69 Agreement with Gibbs and Olson for engineering services. Councilman Bryson made a second to the
70 motion.

71 *Motion passed 4-0*

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73 The Mayor wished to address the city council committee assignments, advising we only have one month
74 to have to double up on some. It was suggested Councilman Cope would become the alternate on the
75 finance committee as Councilman Wood had been Councilman Hatley's alternate. Everyone agreed this
76 would be a good option.

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78 **American Tower Proposal-informational**

79 CFO Streeter reported American Tower Communications, an arm of Verizon, is looking to get out of the
80 rental business. They would like to buy out the remaining 19.5 years of their lease with the city and
81 convert this to a permanent easement. They have offered \$170,000 which is greater than the present
82 value of the lease. CFO Streeter is recommending we go forward with this. Councilman Trimble added
83 the finance committee is in favor of this. This will be set for action at the next council meeting.

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85 **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:** Resolution Authorizing Sole Source Acquisition of a used Ford
86 Interceptor.

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88 Councilman Bryson made a motion to accept Resolution #949 Authorizing Sole Source Acquisition of a
89 used Ford Police Interceptor with Councilman Wood making a second.

90 *Motion passed 4-0.*

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92 **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

93 Anne Becker, 722 W. Spruce Avenue thanked the council for granting their Permissive Use Application.

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95 **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

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97 **Councilman Wood** had no comments.

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99 **Councilwoman Cristobal** offered condolences to the City of Ocean Shores at the loss of their council
100 member this week.

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102 **Councilman Trimble** concurred with Councilwoman Cristobal over the loss Ocean Shores is dealing with.

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104 **Councilman Bryson** expressed condolences to not only the City of Ocean Shores but to the family also;
105 wished to thank Robert Hatley for his service to the council and the City of Montesano.

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107 **MAYOR COMMENTS:**

108 Mayor Samuel echoed both sentiments regarding the loss in Ocean Shores and Robert Hatley's service
109 to the city; she will get a formal expression of condolences off to the mayor and council of Ocean
110 Shores; thanked the council and department heads for being there for her while things were a bit hectic
111 this last month; thanked Councilman Trimble for quickly and efficiently running the council meetings.

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113 **ADJOURN:**

114 Councilman Bryson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. which was seconded by
115 Councilwoman Cristobal.

116 *Motion passed 4-0*

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118 Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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120 Kim Lillegard, Deputy Clerk

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122 Recording available.