

**City of Lowell, Oregon
Minutes of City Council Work Session Meeting
March 25, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 AM by Mayor Paulson

Members Present: Mayor Paulson, Judith Rennert and Jim Burford

Members Absent: Gary Reese

Public Comment: Idella Stinson voiced concern about having to many codes and that people may not want to use our facilities.

New Business: 10:12 AM

1) Development of City Ordinances

- **Animal Control** - CA Hamilton has been working on comparing our current ordinance which incorporates Lane County language with the City of Oakridge's. Discussion followed by council. **Councilor Rennert moved to have CA call the CA of Oakridge now to ask if they have the resources and interest to serve as our animal control officer, seconded by Mayor Paulson.**

PASS 3:0

Recess

Reconvened 10:47 AM

CA reports back that they would talk to us about an animal control program, but is doubtful they would become our animal control officer. CA was directed to have Oakridge CA and Chief of Police come and talk to them at the next available council meeting. Discussion followed on how to proceed in developing our own code. Mayor Paulson volunteered to work on a basic draft to begin formatting our own language. CA was directed to provide ORS references as per Oakridge ordinance and clarify class violation fine range.

- **Park Specific**

- A) Park Hours**

- Discussion on language for park hours, and the need to have, so Oakridge PD can enforce code when they are here. Suggested hours be 2 hours before dawn to 2 hours after dusk. Councilor Burford volunteered to work with CA in the development of language for park hours.

- B) Alcohol Use in the Parks**

- Discussion on how to approach the topic, council unsure how to continue. Council will defer to another meeting and request the assistance of the Park Advisory Committee in the development of language.

C) Smoking

Discussion on how to proceed with the smoking issue. Suggestions of setting up a designated area and providing receptacles was discussed. Council will ask the Parks Advisory Committee to recommend what area. Councilor Burford volunteered to work with CA on the development of language for smoking restrictions.

2) Enforcement of Ordinances

Discussion on the need to develop language so Oakridge can enforce when they are present in the city.

Adjourn: 11:52 AM

Approved: Stephen Paulson
Stephen Paulson, Mayor