

## **BAY CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

October 9, 2023

5:30 P.M.

Members Present: Interim Mayor Kathy Baker, Councilor Tom Imhoff, Councilor Jason Hovey, Councilor Melissa Rondeau, Councilor Anthony Boatman.

Staff Present: City Manager David McCall, City Recorder Lindsey Gann, Interim Fire Chief Alan Christensen.

**A.** Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

**B.** PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE 703, An Ordinance granting an exclusive franchise agreement and contract approval to the Tillamook People's Utility District for the right to provide electrical service within the City of Bay City and to utilize the public right-of-ways for said purpose and declaring an emergency.

The second public hearing will be held at the council meeting on 10/10/2023.

**C.** Visitor Propositions (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items)

**D.** Committee, Department, and Staff Reports

- a. City Manager – City Manager McCall presented the report – a copy of the report is in the packet. Manager McCall informed the council that Tillamook Fire has requested to cancel their IGA with Bay City Fire, which has been in place since 1984, due to financial reasons. Manager McCall is seeking approval from the council to continue the IGA with a waiver of the annual fee through 12/2024 at which time it will be reassessed. Chief Christensen clarified that the IGA is for medical calls only, fire response calls are automatically a dual response.
- b. Finance Department – No Report
- c. Fire Department – Chief Christensen presented the report, copy of the report is in the packet.
- d. Fire Committee Report
- e. Public Works – City Manager McCall presented the report, a copy of the report is in the packet.
- f. Emergency Preparedness,
  - i. Next meeting Monday October 16, 2023, 5:30 pm at Ad Montgomery Community Hall
  - ii. Great Shake-out Event October 19, 2023, 10:19 am

City Manager McCall presented the report, a copy of the report is in the packet.

Interim Mayor Baker announced that the ham radio operators performed a practice radio operation and are looking for volunteers that would like to get their ham radio license.

Reminder of the great shake out on 10/19 @ 10:19am

**g. Planning Department,**

1. Next Planning Commission – October 18, 2023, 5:30 pm
2. Letter of Support for a 2023-25 Technical Assistance Grant from the Department of Land Conservation and Development

City Manager McCall presented the report, a copy of the report is in the packet. Code updates are in the final draft form and ready for the public hearings. The first public hearing will be at the planning commission meeting in November and the second hearing will be at the December Council Meeting.

Manager McCall stated that planner Mattison applied for a UGB grant to have a feasibility study done regarding annexing in the UGB, study on infrastructure and expense associated with annex.

Resident Austin Cherry addressed the council with concerns regarding the costs that may be incurred by residents in the UGB if the UGB is annexed into the city. He is in opposition to the proposed annex. City Manager McCall explained that the grant is for a feasibility study only, so that the city will know what costs might be associated with an annex and can then inform citizens.

**E. Minutes**

- a. Council Workshop – September 11, 2023
- b. Regular Council Meeting – September 12, 2023
- c. Joint City Council Workshop – September 25, 2023

No questions or comments

**F. Treasurers Report**

**G. Bills against the City**

**H. Unfinished Business**



## I. New Business

- a. Resolution 2023-020 Adopting a Firewise Action Plan for the City of Bay City

Special thanks to Gary and Hilde Frey for their continued support and work on the Firewise program. No additional questions, or comments.

- b. Resolution 2023-021 Establishing an RV Dump Fee – No questions or comments.

- c. Resolution 2023-022 Adopting a Fleet Policy for the City of Bay City  
No questions or comments.

- d. Resolution 2023-023 Approving the City's participation in the Oregon Savings Growth Plan (OSGP)

Interim Mayor Baker stated the OSGP is a good plan to participate in. Resident Greg Sweeney asked if the participant funds are pretax or after tax. Informed that they would be pretax.

- e. Resolution 2023-024 a Petition to the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners requesting Board Action to Initiate the Formation of the North Coast Fire & Rescue District

City Manager McCall presented the proposed petition. Manager McCall stated he finally received tax information from the City of Garibaldi, this was not available at the joint council meeting in September. Numbers do not match what was discussed by the council in the joint council meeting.

- f. Memorandum of Agreement concerning City assets following the formation of the North Coast Fire & Rescue District.

City Manager McCall presented the proposed MOA. Advised by attorney that changes would need to be made to item #6, cannot use public funds to fund another entity. The attorney suggested leaving employees of the proposed district employed by the Cities and then contract with the new district. This would allow the cities to cover funds needed for the employees and would allow for the grace period between the approval of the new fire district and the allocation of funds from taxes.

Volunteer Firefighters addressed the council in opposition to forming a new Fire District. Volunteers stated they were not ready to move forward with forming a new district.

Interim Mayor Baker stated that she felt more discussion was needed and addressed the letter from Councilor Josi stating he was not in support of forming a new district at this time. Mayor Baker stated that in the past she has not been in favor of forming a new district because, at the time, Bay City was amid a transitional period and was not ready to form a district. Believes that at this time, Garibaldi is in a transitional period that needs to be resolved before moving forward with the

formation. Mayor Baker stated she fully believes in the need for a new Fire District but does not feel this is the right time.

Councilor Imhoff agreed with both Mayor Baker and Councilor Josi's statements and recommended postponing the formation for two years to allow Garibaldi to resolve their inhouse issues.

Councilor Hovey agreed and stated that the formation of a new Fire District is a good idea, but not at this time. If the volunteers are not in favor of the formation, then the council needs to listen to them.

Councilor Rondeau stated that she has heard a lot of negativities from residents about the idea of forming a new fire district. Does not feel that this is the right time to create a new tax due to the current economy. Stated she is in support of the formation, but not at this time.

Councilor Boatman agreed with the other council members and stated he feels that priority should be made to relocate the current fire department and city hall to remove them from the inundation zone before moving forward with the formation of a new district. Agrees that the formation of a new fire district is needed, but now is not the right time.

- g. Resolution 2023-025 Recognizing unanticipated revenues for the City of Bay City and making appropriations.

No questions or comments.

J. Mayor's Presentation

K. Council Presentation

L. Attorney Presentation

Meeting adjourned at 6:41PM



Lindsey Gann, City Recorder



Kathy Baker, Interim Mayor