

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ECHO HELD A REGULAR MEETING ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015 AT 4:07 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 20 S. BONANZA, ECHO, OREGON.**

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**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jeanie Hampton, Richard Winter, Janie Enright, Jerry Gaunt & Pat Wood

**ABSENT:** Gayle Yoder & Karl Jensen.

**STAFF/CITY CONTRACTORS PRESENT:** Diane Berry, City Administrator-Recorder; Darin Tuil, Public Works Director.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Shayne Myers, Red 2 Red.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Richard Winter lead the council in the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the January meeting were approved as corrected upon motion by Pat Wood and second by Jeanie Hampton. Vote: all ayes.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: Beer Garden/Red 2 Red:** Berry explained that she had discovered that the Red 2 Red organizers were planning to have alcohol vendors on the street. Before this can happen, the council must approve the plan. Berry contacted Stephanie and Shayne Myers, race organizers, and Shayne was able to come over to explain. Myers said they plan for two race sponsors Black Rock Distillery (9 Rocks Vodka) and Ordinance Brewery to set up in a tent. They will provide guards so no minors can obtain liquor. The distributors still must have OLCC approval. Pat Wood moved to allow the use of Dupont & Bridge Streets for a beer garden/vodka sales by Ordinance Brewery and Black Rock Distillery during the Red 2 Red Mountain Bike Race on Feb. 28. Jeanne Hampton seconded the motion. Vote: all ayes.

**POLICE REPORT:** There wasn't a written report.

**GOLF COURSE:** Berry said that dues payments are coming in earlier than last year, but whether or not this indicates an increase will not be apparent until the end of March. The irrigation water won't be turned on until March when the backflow between the golf course pump and city system is checked.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Darin Tuil reported on the ground sterilent bids and application. Casoron and pre-emergent chemicals were also applied around park gardens and the arboretum. Tuil said they are pumping down the Lagoons now and that there appears to be some infiltration (I & I) again. Mike from Engineered

Control Products was in and serviced the chlorinators at the shop (water) and lagoons. A One Stop meeting where state funding agencies meet with the city and engineers regarding the sewer project will be in April.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** a. **Investments.** No Comments.

**b. Walking Trail:** Berry reported on the Walking Trail costs estimated by Anderson and Perry to be about \$550,000. The bulk of the funding would have to come from a State Parks grant. The match would have to be at least 10.27% and a request would need to go to the Echo Benefit Plan for the matching funds. The deadline for the parks grant would be next December or January. She is supposed to submit information on the concept to Ray Kopacz to take to the Stanfield Irrigation District board. **c. America in Bloom.** Jeanie Hampton had an idea for America in Bloom. She suggested having school children adopt an area where they can take care of plots or garden areas and could decorate them with garden art such as butterflies and flowers maybe from wood that they paint.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Chet Prior Proclamation:** Hampton moved to adopt the proclamation to lower the flag in honor of Prior on the day of his memorial service. Jerry Gaunt seconded the motion. Vote: all ayes.

**Adjournment** Gaunt moved and Enright seconded the motion to adjourn at 4:52 pm. Vote: All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor Richard C. Winter, PhD

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Diane Berry/City Administrator-Rec.