



**CITY OF YACHATS  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 15, 2023  
In-Person & Zoom Meeting Summary**

Guests: 21

Mayor Craig Berdie called meeting to order on this February 15, 2023, at 2:00pm via Zoom and in person meeting. Members present: Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessy, Council President, Greg Scott, Ann Stott, and Catherine Whitten-Carey. A Quorum was present. Staff: Heide Lambert, City Manager, Kimmie Jackson, Recorder, and Katherine Guenther, Asst. City Manager/Planner.

1. (00:56) Announcements, Correspondence: Announced the Presbyterian Church opened Don's Place Shelter, had six visitors and several volunteered. The City Manager is approved to leave the Council Meeting at 4:30pm to turn in the DOE Grant that's due at 5:00pm. In attendance the County Commissioner Katie Jacobson, and Lincoln County Public Works Director, Roy Kennan. They are in attendance in place of a joint meeting.
2. (0:03:50) Announcement for Budget Committee Member. One seat is open at this this time, meetings will start in the Spring and will be done by the first of July.
3. (0:05:01) Public Comment: Mayor read a statement of rules into the record for Public Comment (will be read into the record every meeting). No public Comment at this time.
4. (0:06:06) Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda, the vote was called for, all are in favor and the Ayes have it.
5. (0:07:38) CIS Representative Katie Durfee and Margaret Ryan - The visit was to inspect two pocket parks know as North Sunset Park (6<sup>th</sup> Street), aka Ocean View Walkway, and South Sunset Park, aka Wetland Park along the coastline located closest to Ocean View Drive for safety and liability issues. The area is rough terrain and is not ADA accessible. After the report was given, it was suggested how the area should be advertised, and that it would need signage. It was also stated CIS would not insure any park areas extending past city limits, where ocean access enters State boundaries. CIS may reserve the right to charge additionally for the exposure, and up to potentially not insuring these areas.

A Council member believes that the liability clause may be in question and would like to have this reviewed. After Council discussed and agreed they would like to have CIS return for another visit, to include additional members from Parks &



1 Commons Commission to attend the walk around and make some modifications  
2 the assessment. It was also suggested that the area could be considered one  
3 whole park instead of two separate park areas.  
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- 5 6. (0:28:19) County Abatement - Paul Seitz, Solid Waste District Manager  
6 presented a new Piolet Project for abatement of abandoned RV's and trailers in  
7 the county. This will provide Yachats with a \$20,000 credit to be used for the  
8 removal of unidentified abandoned RV's and/or trailers over the next year.  
9 Yachats will need to perform the identification of the vehicle(s) and subsequent  
10 code enforcement actions needed to remove it. A representative will need to be  
11 assigned to attend the meetings quarterly.  
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13 (0:35:35) Motion was made to enter into an MOU to participate in the Abandoned  
14 RV Abatement Pilot Program. The vote was called and passed unanimously.  
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- 16 7. (0:37:15) Cat Rhoades, DEQ – Oregon Senate Bill 582 – Plastic Pollution and  
17 Recycling Modernization Act of 2021. This requires producers and manufactures  
18 of packaging, paper products and food service to support, pay for and expand  
19 recycling services for their products in Oregon. If Yachats wants to participate  
20 and receive funding the Mayor or City Manager must complete the survey-  
21 questionnaire by April 14, 2023 (voluntary), and after collaborative sessions with  
22 current recycling providers and others. After Council discussion, the Council is  
23 receptive and would like to schedule a meeting with Dahl Disposal to discuss.  
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- 25 8. (1:03:24) Solicit membership in an article for the newsletter for the open seats on  
26 all the Commissions. Discussion continued as to how to advertise and approach  
27 individuals they may know to participate.  
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- 29 9. (1:08:26) Budget Schedule was discussed and are ahead of schedule from last  
30 year. Two budget meetings, two Council meeting and one CIP meeting will be  
31 needed. The CIP meeting informs the Budget Committee and then report to  
32 Council. Commissions were asked to have their proposed budgets in by  
33 February 24<sup>th</sup>.  
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- 35 10. (1:10:55) Resolution 2022-198 Outdoor Seating – after Council discussion, the  
36 consensus of the Council it to let the resolution expire. The Planning Commission  
37 is currently working on a Parking Study and will report back to Council.  
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39 (1:39:11) Motion was made to let Resolution 2022-198 expire on said date of  
40 February 28, 2023.

41 Aye: Scott, O'Shaughnessey, Stott, Whitten-Carey and Berdie

42 Nay: None  
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- 1 11.(1:43:58) After Council discussion how to move forward regarding the Goals. It  
2 was decided to work on the Council Goals at the Work Session on March 2<sup>nd</sup> with  
3 the goal to have them completed.  
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- 5 12.(1:59:47) City Manager Report – The comment was made that the name for the  
6 Little Log Church Museum suggested name change to the Culture Center to  
7 advance the chances to get grants . As for the Wetlands Boardwalk is in  
8 progress to be repaired/replaced weather permitting.  
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- 10 13.(2:05:21) No comment from the Mayor.  
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- 12 14.(2:05:28) It was mentions that the Fire Department did not have any  
13 advertisement in the newsletter and was advised that the Emergency  
14 Preparedness would be putting together an article for the newsletter.  
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- 16 15.(2:09:06) As for the Parks & Commons Commission temporary hold on the  
17 Commons and Greenspace area needs to be address and would like Council to  
18 put back on the agenda for discussion. Two members agreed and will move  
19 forward to add to the agenda, date not indicated.  
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- 21 16.(2:09:59) The Council Meeting viewing from zoom is difficult to see for the  
22 commission members, and inquired to have lap tops available at the council  
23 chamber seats for use (volume off) to see the audience on zoom and for the  
24 audience to see the members clearly. Staff will look into the cost for purchase  
25 and report back to Council.  
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- 27 17.(2:12:52) Councilor Scott informed the Council he spoke to Public Works &  
28 Streets as a resident regarding water sustainability, rate structure and funding  
29 opportunities they may not be aware of.  
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- 31 18. (2:15:00) Question for discussion regarding the handover to Ocean View Drive  
32 and wanting to have some oversite to the progress from staff. After discussion, a  
33 motion was made to have one or two elected officials have access to the written  
34 communications regarding easements for Ocean View Drive.  
35 Aye: Whitten-Carey and Mayor Berdie  
36 Nay: Scott, Stott and O’Shaughnessey  
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- 38 19.(2:20:30) The draft document from the last meeting regarding Exhibit A, was in  
39 fact a draft document per the Mayor’s meeting that he attended and will sign the  
40 document as soon as an original is received with Exhibit A.  
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- 42 Mayor Berdie adjourned the meeting at 4:35pm  
43 Prepared by Kimmie Jackson on March 1, 2023