

# CITY OF MOSIER

small enough to make a difference

**Meeting Minutes  
March 16th, 2016**

*Mosier Senior Center at 500 East Second Ave., Mosier, Oregon*

I	<b>The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burns at 6:35 pm.</b>
	<p>Council: Mayor Arlene Burns, Council President Emily Reed, Councilors Derek Hiser, Peny Wallace</p> <p>Excused: Councilor Bill Akin</p> <p>Staff: City Manager Kathy Fitzpatrick</p> <p>Community: Judy Davis and Francie Royce from the HCRH Advisory Committee; Kathy Long and Ann Van Osdel from the Mosier Seniors; Mark Cherniak, Dinah Hemphill</p>
II	Agenda corrections or additions: Addition of Discussion about Meeting Procedures
III	<p><b>Business from the Audience:</b> Kathy Long of the Mosier Seniors presented comments that she had prepared responding to the previous City Council discussion about creating an objective process for City Council appropriations to community organizations. Long said that she felt that the Council was not supportive of the Seniors of Mosier Valley, Inc, who serves two hot meals per week to residents for a very minimal cost. Councilor Reed responded that indeed, the Council was very supportive of the services that the Seniors of Mosier Valley offer and that Council was going through the effort of creating a process by which the Council would continue to be able to appropriate funds to worthy community organizations like the Seniors. Mayor Burns said that the Council was appreciative of the meeting room that was built to accommodate community meetings, and that it is important also to remember that the City essentially donated the three large properties that the Senior Center and apartments are built on. Ann Van Osdel, resident of the Senior Apartments, said that she used to be a Mayor of Mosier and recognizes the importance of having a defensible process, especially when handling taxpayers' monies. Councilor Reed reiterated that the Mosier City Council recognizes the importance of the Senior meals, which provide not just nutrition but also critical social connectivity for Seniors in the community.</p>
IV	Approval of CC Minutes, 3/2/2016: <b>Councilor Wallace made a motion to approve the minutes of March 2nd, 2016. Councilor Reed seconded. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
V	<b>BUSINESS</b>
1.	<p><b>Presentation of Historic Columbia River Highway Centennial: Judy Davis and Francie Royce of the Advisory Committee:</b></p> <p>Davis presented an overview of the projects that are underway for the reconnection efforts of the HCRH. The Wyeth to Lindsay Creek section is currently in design. Getting around Shellrock Mt. will require some blasting. She talked about the "Final Five," the last five miles to be funded which include Mitchell Point. This year is the Centennial year of the HCRH, and there will be celebrations all summer throughout the Gorge and along the Highway in the Historic Highway communities. The Gorge Ride is one of these, and will host about 500 riders. Senator Jeff Merkley will be on the ride. The Antique Car parade will go through Mosier on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, followed by the Mosier Community Parade.</p>
2.	<p><b>Meeting Procedure Discussion:</b></p> <p>Fitzpatrick asked that Council pay more attention to meeting details like motions and decisions (action items). The Mayor could repeat the names of those who have made a motion and the second, and the motion should be clearly articulated. Any decisions that are not in a motion should be repeated at the end of the discussion so that it is clear to all what decision has been made.</p>

3.	<p><b>City Strategy Session</b></p> <p>Councilor Reed asked Fitzpatrick to review a historic summary of the community visioning efforts. The community vision of downtown Mosier has remained consistent since 1978: Mosier residents want a vibrant downtown with local services and local gathering places. One important downtown visioning—the Centennial beautification project—was missing. Fitzpatrick will add that to the official list. Next Councilor Reed led the Council through an initial brainstorming process of Small/Medium/Large projects and an initial Brainstorm of Income Generation (results attached). Councilors then went through an exercise that spurred creative thought regarding new potential for familiar places. Each person received a random draw of a Mosier place, person, and experience/activity. For example, Gigi Hiser had these cards: Street, Kids, Activity. Her brainstorm for her cards was to hold a Chalk Art Competition for kids in the Mosier street. Council was then given the homework of finding an example city that is doing or has created a project that Mosier could learn from and to highlight that case study at the next Strategy Session. Some of the Cities named were: Stinson Beach, Bandon, Charlotte NC, Charleston SC.</p>
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VI	<p><b>Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm</b></p>
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Approved this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016:

Attest:

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Mayor Arlene Burns

Kathy Fitzpatrick, City Manager

## **CITY STRATEGY BRAINSTORM**

### SMALL

More rocks through town  
Rock columns  
Fill in school ditch/turn into French drain  
Flower baskets  
Flags  
More art work  
Maps/fliers/brochures  
Bike City Certification: wifi, shower, bike parking, etc  
Preserving Totem  
Sign in occupy park  
Add art or yoga walk along waterfront trail  
3D star of David thing  
Repaint crosswalks

### MED

Develop road to Rock Creek for winter access (fill with gravel)  
Electricity at Totem  
Bathroom  
RV Hook up  
Hiker/Biker Camp  
Shower  
Welcome sign across the Hwy  
Art as destination  
City garden/ Edible perenials

### LARGE

Tunnel under RR on East end of town  
Community Center  
Camp Ground at Rock Quarry  
Port/Dock  
Visitor Center  
Museum  
Solar Panels to create energy and block sound

### SAMPLE TOWNS TO RESEARCH

Stinson Beach - Arlene

Downtown Bandon & Troutdale - Peny

LA - Kathy

Charlotte, SC - Emily

Suprise - Derek

### MONEY MAKING IDEAS

Railroad cars at waterfront

T-shirts/ Hats/ Growlers

Camping spot in cemetery

Buried as a tree

Dog park at Occupy park

Love Notes walk at Occupy park

Free wills if you donate to the City

Team chalk competition (July 23rd)

Local artists center

Meet interesting people at the Totem Plaza - exclusive