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Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Scappoose City Hall, 33568 E Columbia Ave. Scappoose, OR 97056

February 16, 2017 from 12 Noon – 1:30pm

Attendees:

Committee Members – Len Waggoner, Mayor Scott Burge, Brian Rosenthal, Brady Preheim, Phil Griffin, Christine Prockish, Carmen Kulp, George Hafeman and Gregg Meyers

Scappoose City Employees – City Manager Michael Sykes, Program Analyst & Recording Secretary Alexandra Rains, Program Analyst Ben Tolles, City Planner Laurie Oliver

PUD Liaison – Libby Calnon

Other Visitors – none

Absent:

Port Liaison – Larry Ericksen

County Liaison – Alex Tardif

Committee Members – Natalie Sanders

1. CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 12:10 by Committee Chair Len Waggoner

2. Introductions

- New Committee member Gregg Meyer introduced himself to the Committee.

3. Approved Meeting Minutes from January 19th session

4. No Citizen Communications

5. New Business:



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- The Committee discussed the next two upcoming meetings, which will not be held on the usual third Thursday of the month. March's meeting will take place on the 9th and be held at the OMIC R&D Building (formerly the Jersey Building). At this meeting, the Committee will hear a presentation on the OMIC project. April's meeting will take place on the 21st and have a presentation on Urban Renewal.
 - In regards to OMIC, Michael Sykes briefly touched on the EDA grants being prepared by Mary McArthur and Laurie Oliver discussed the annexation request for the site, 49 acres total for which a conceptual master plan has been completed with roadways and utilities. The pre-app conference is scheduled for 2/22/17 and the application is expected to be submitted about a month after that.
- Gregg Meyer provided some basic information on PCC's new site which is tentatively scheduled to open Fall of 2018 (although it may be closer to January 2019). He also discussed some of the programs PCC was looking to implement, including dual credit programs for St. Helens and Scappoose High Schools and possibly Clatskanie High School. Further, he noted some of the various general education programs that would be offered at PCC in addition to advanced manufacturing. It's expected that the PCC location will have 250 FTE's. Following the discussion of PCC, Gregg mentioned his and his wife's involvement in a summer camp for middle school aged children that focuses on technology and entrepreneurship. Currently, they are looking for a location at which the camp may be hosted.
- The Committee briefly inquired as to whether there was an Association of Manufacturers in Columbia County. Gregg Meyer thought it might be beneficial to create one if one doesn't already exist because the OMIC and curriculum at PCC is very much industry driven.
- The Committee discussed putting together a welcome packet for new residents of Scappoose including a letter from the Mayor with instructions on how to access the business directory from the website and a coupon for four weeks of the Spotlight free (thanks to some work by Vice Chair Brian Rosenthal).



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- The Committee reviewed the Top 5 SWOT Selections and the 5 strategic action items identified at the last meeting. The Committee formally adopted the 5 goals as stated in the committee packets. Alexandra Rains and Michael Sykes noted they would work on drafting action plans and present them to the Committee in April.
- The Committee debated the idea of supporting a change to the existing Airport Overlay Zone (fine tune and rename) so that it specifically supports manufacturing uses and other complementary development.
- Vice Chair Brian Rosenthal requested that the Committee “tighten up” meetings in the future and restrict public comment throughout to the citizen comment portion of the agenda.

6. Next Meeting

- March 9, 2017 – OMIC R&D Building

7. Meeting Adjourned at 1:20pm