



Prineville City Council Meeting August 12, 2008

Issue Summary

Topic: 2007/08 Goals and Objectives Update

Department: Administration

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1. **Burning Barrel Ordinance:** The Ordinance was updated on 11/14/06 and seems to be working fine as of this date, no changes recommended.
2. **Sustainable Public Safety funding:** Discussion on a draft Ordinance for a Public Safety Fee will be before Council on the August 12, 2008 Agenda.
3. **Systematic Review of City Codes:** Work in progress, we are review, modifying and changing Codes as time allows.
4. **Identify ways to communicate more effectively:** Staff has been and will continue working with the media, Council and the Community to provide all pertinent information to keep our citizens as informed as possible
5. **Strengthen ties with County:** Working relationships between staffs at both the County and City seems to be progressing nicely. Both groups are working closely with each other too resolve common issues. Relationships between the City Manager and the County Judge need to improve. To this end, I have proposed to the Judge that we try and meet weekly to discuss common issues effecting both the City and County. I will keep you apprised as to the success of this experiment.
6. **Continue to support and work with our partners, EDCO, the County and our Chamber to insure the success of the new Economic Development position:** The City has again budgeted funds in our 2008/09 budget in support of the EDCO position for Prineville. The City Manger, as a member of the EDCO Advisory Board, will work closely with these groups too insure the success of Economic Development Position.

7. **Adopt Design Review Ordinance:** Will hopefully be coming forward in an Ordinance to Council at the August 26, 2008 Meeting. Staff, the Planning Commission, and the Public have worked hard at producing a product that most can support.
8. **Adopt Comprehensive Plan:** Adopted 4/10/2007
9. **Initiate Neighborhood Watch Program:** On the My Neighborhood, My Cop program we have had initial Community Meetings in 5 of the 8 neighborhoods. Participation has gradually increased at each meeting, with 60 people coming to our most recent meeting on July 31st in Northridge. The 3 remaining neighborhoods are staffed with Officers that are all in training. Once that is complete we'll get those done as well. Probably this fall and winter. Our first citizen's academy is tentatively being planned for October. We have more than 10 volunteer applications from people who want to donate their time and expertise to the City. We have conducted several targeted clean ups in various neighborhoods and have even had some long term problem houses condemned. We are planning our first community wide clean up, in which we will use donated funds to pay for a large dumpster from Prineville Disposal to be placed in a neighborhood and all residents can use it free of charge to help get their street cleaned up. Juveniles needing community service time are enlisted to participate. We have hauled off 13,000 pounds of debris to the landfill over the last this last year at last count. The program is moving ahead but has a long way to go before we can realize its full potential.
10. **Cooperate with Drug Free Prineville:** Drug Free Prineville is a community wide coalition of businesses that by participating agree to have their employee's drug tested where applicable. The City of Prineville is a full partner in this agreement. The Police Department is regularly engaged in a number of drug reduction efforts to include participation on the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement team, the deployment of a drug detection K-9 this year and the DARE program which is available to all 5th grade elementary school students in the City. Currently two out of the three elementary schools participate in DARE.
11. **Deliver Council Packets on Wednesdays:** Staff works very hard to have Council Packets available on Wednesday, but Thursday is more realistic. We hold staff meetings every Wednesday morning and review last minute changes to the agenda. It is almost impossible to make needed changes and still meet the Wednesday deadline. If this does not provide Council with enough time for review, staff will be glad to hand deliver packets to Council.
12. **Provide Council Packets Online:** Council Packets have been available online since August 14, 2007 for Council and the Community.
13. **Provide public access to low capacity internet:** After receiving resistance from private sector providers the City has backed off of our efforts of provide low capacity internet within the core area of the city. The City still intends to provide internet access at its Meadow Lakes sight for public access, in the near future.