



CITY OF PRINEVILLE
Special Meeting Brief
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City Council Special Meeting Brief
January 15, 2021

Council Members Present:

Steve Uffelman
Patricia Jungmann
Jason Beebe
Gail Merritt

Raymond Law
Jeff Papke

Council Members Absent

Janet Hutchison

Additions to the Agenda

None.

Consent Agenda

None.

Visitors, Appearances and Requests:

None.

Public Appearances

There were no written comments to be included in the record.

Council Business

1. Council President Election – Mayor Beebe

Mayor Beebe explained that Council needed to elect a Council President which sits in and covers for the Mayor when he is absent.

Councilor Merritt made motion to appoint Councilor Uffelman as the Council President. Motion seconded. No other nominations were made. No discussions on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

2. Consideration of Letter to Governor Brown – Steve Forrester / Jered Reid

Jered Reid, City Attorney explained we were directed to draft a letter at the prior meeting.

Steve Forrester, City Manager added that the County Court approved a letter today with a few minor changes such as to name County where City is and they are hoping for a joint letter.

Mayor Beebe asked if everyone has read the letter.

Councilor Jungmann asked what big box stores means, mitigation infractions and Prineville not having any big box stores.

Mr. Forrester said that was his understanding from speaking with other people, big box means such as Walmart, Fred Myer, etc. and asked Mr. Reid about possible liability for stating that.

Councilor Jungmann said they have been deemed essential so there is a difference there.

Mayor Beebe said he feels that to make a comparison to the bigger stores being open and, are not in our community.

Councilor Jungmann feels like stating obvious infractions is like pointing a finger when they have been working hard.

Mr. Reid explained there has never been a determination made for essential vs. non-essential. In regards to legal liability in regards to the statement is slim to none. Mr. Reid said it is a statement and can personally testify that there are infractions and that it is up to OSHA or OHA to do what they want.

Councilor Papke asked if Councilor Jungmann is concerned about language or if concerned about interpretation from other businesses or both. Councilor Jungmann said both.

Councilor Papke said he personally does not object to the strong language because he wants it to be noticed. He understands the concerns, but doesn't mind it being there.

Councilor Jungmann recommended changing to big box stores in our state.

Mr. Forrester said we could add stores in our area. Councilor Jungmann said that would make her feel better.

Councilor Uffelman recommended use the word region. Councilor Jungmann agreed.

Councilor Uffelman made motion to approve letter to the Governor as revised per our discussion. Jungmann seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Staff Reports and Requests:

1. Manager's Report

None.

Committee Reports

None.

Ordinances:

None.

Resolutions:

None.

Visitors Appearances and Requests:

Adjourn

Councilor Uffelman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:18 P.M.

Motions and Outcomes:

Motion:	Outcome	Beebe	Hutchison	Jungmann	Law	Merritt	Papke	Uffelman
Motion to appoint Councilor Uffelman as the Council President	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Motion to approve letter to the Governor as revised per our discussion.	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Adjourn Meeting	PASSED	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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