

MINUTES OF THE REVENUE COMMITTEE MEETING

July 14, 2010, 1:00 p.m.

Dunes City Hall

A meeting of the Revenue Committee of Dunes City was held at the Dunes City Hall, on Wednesday, July 14, 2010. Members present were Ralph Farnsworth, April Dumas, John Stead and Chairperson Jamie Mills.

The meeting was called to order by Jamie Mills at 1:05 p.m. No minutes were presented for the prior meeting on February 24, 2010.

The draft letter to the City Council was discussed at length. Some of the changes recommended include adopting City Code language that will make the planning department self supporting; building in an automatic cost of living increase into all permit and license fees; develop a list of "standard" city services in support of efforts to adopt a property tax; ask Portland State University to come and explain how they determine the population of Dunes City; ensure all entities using city rights of way are doing so only with a valid permit; ensure there are time limits on such permits; explore avenues available to cut back on costs associated with street lighting; strengthen the relationship of the City with the Siuslaw Watershed Council and other similar entities; utilize the benefits available from the League of Oregon Cities; and investigate the possibility of Lane County turning the boat ramp over to Dunes City. The committee also determined to delete the recommendation to pursue a wastewater treatment system for the Westlake area and other already high-density housing areas. Jamie Mills will incorporate the items and changes discussed into a revised letter for consideration by the committee at its next meeting.

During the discussion, other items requiring action were discussed. Jamie Mills will submit a written request to Central Lincoln PUD asking for the location, including a map, of all street lights for which Dunes City is billed. Jamie Mills will also research/obtain a copy of Port Orford's ordinance that requires developers to pay all the costs in the event of a dispute.

Jamie Mills reported that the draft Solid Waste Collection Service License Fee ordinance had been referred to city attorney David Allen for review and that Mr. Allen had expressed concern regarding the language as it is a license rather than a franchise fee. He will work on the language in August and have something back to the committee by September.

Jamie Mills reported that Mr. Allen expressed the same concern regarding the discussion of a franchise fee for Community Water System Operators.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, August 26th, at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Jamie Mills, Secretary of the Meeting