

February 7, 2018
Special Session
City of Gaston

Present: Mayor Tony **Hall**, Council President Jerry **Spaulding**, David **Meeker**, Jon **Wismer**, Bill **Martin**, and Don **Richter**.

Staff: City Recorder Wenonah **Blanchette**.

Absent: Councilor Rod **Hale**

I. Mayor Tony **Hall** called this special meeting to order at 7:00PM.

II. ROLL CALL: Recorder **Blanchette** conducted the roll call for the record with:

Council President Jerry **Spaulding**: present

Councilor David **Meeker**: present

Councilor Bill **Martin**-present

Mayor Tony **Hall**: present

Councilor Jon **Wismer**-present

Councilor Don **Richter**: present

Councilor Rod **Hale**: absent, no call-no notice

III. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS: None.

IV. WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPUTY SELECTION: Mayor **Hall** turned the meeting over to Sgt. **Ray** from the Washington County Sheriff's Office. Sgt. **Ray** explained how the city, in the past, had not had much involvement in the selection process of a deputy versus the selection process to replace Deputy **Wormington**. Letters of interest from who applied for the position and the scoring of those applicants (according to his selection process) were provided to the City for review. The City could also reject the selected applicant and restart the selection process again. Also, a face to face meeting of the top selected applicant was arranged so the City Council could meet him and ask questions. Sgt. **Ray** introduced Deputy Rob **Richards**, Gaston's newly appointed contract deputy for the area. Introductions were made with the Council and further discussions was heard on his background, history with the City of Banks, and Cornelius, and interest with traffic safety and school involvement.

Mayor **Hall** explained to Council having this meeting was not to select from the list of applicants, but to approve the selected candidate Sgt. **Ray** appointed as Gaston's Deputy. Discussion amongst the Council and Deputy **Richards** was heard regarding Deputy **Richard's** personnel history, scheduling and switching hours when working in town and current problems with school parking issues. Mayor **Hall** asked Council for their position in selecting Deputy Rob **Richards** as the Gaston contract Deputy. Council concurred with approving Deputy **Richards** as the new deputy the exception of Councilor **Richter** who wanted to continue police coverage with Deputy Pat **Craft**, interim Deputy filling the Gaston Deputy position at this time. Discussion heard regarding the process for calling a vote in the selection of a new deputy with Mayor **Hall** calling to approve Rob **Richards** as the Gaston Deputy. Motion made by Councilor **Meeker** and seconded by Councilor **Martin** to hire Rob **Richards** as Gaston's contract deputy.

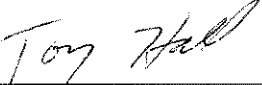
Motion carried with aye votes heard from **Spaulding, Meeker, Martin, Hall, Wismer, and Richter**. Nay: 0.

V. OLCC LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION 114 FRONT STREET ACE TAVERN: Councilor **Richter** asked Mayor **Hall** if he could make a motion for approving the liquor license application for 114 Front Street or if a discussion was needed. Mayor **Hall** indicated Councilor **Richter** could motion if he so wished. Motion to approve the liquor license for the Ace Tavern was made by Councilor **Richter** with second heard from Councilor **Spaulding**. Motion passed with aye votes heard from: **Hall, Richter, Spaulding, Martin, and Wismer**. Nay: 0. No further discussion.

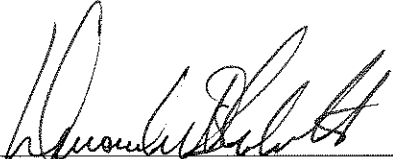
Councilor **Martin** asked Council if the City was aware that the newly installed signs in front of the Gaston Market restricting vehicle parking for vehicles higher than 7ft in height were installed crooked and unable to be seen from a higher vehicle. It was announced that Oregon Department of Transportation installed the signs in front of the Gaston Market.

Council heard discussion on railroad property, the Yamhelas Trail system coming through town and holding a Farmers Market in town. No further business.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor **Hall** called to adjourn the meeting at 7:58PM. Meeting adjourned



Mayor Tony Hall

Attest: 

City Recorder Wenonah Blanchette