



**CITY OF YACHATS  
CITY COUNCIL  
May 23, 2023  
Meeting Summary**

Audience/Guests: 23

Mayor Craig Berdie called the meeting to order on this May 23, 2023, at 10:00am via Zoom and in person meeting. Members present: Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessy, Council President, Greg Scott, Ann Stott, and Catherine Whitten-Carey. A Quorum was present. Staff: Kimmie Jackson, Recorder, Katherine Guenther, Planner.

**SPECIAL MEETING**

1. Rules are read into the record and that the only business to be discussed is the Interim City Manager Interview – Rick Sant.
2. Point of order was called by Dawn Keller, resident on Horizon Hill - asked for clarification as to why the meeting was called and asked to have Council cancel this meeting and indicated that she did not receive proper notice and believes it is an illegal meeting. The Mayor and Councilors noted that the meeting was posted online, at the Post Office, and at City Hall 24 hours in advance and thus met legal requirements. Councilors added that the email notification system is only a courtesy that points the recipient to the official notification. It is not in itself intended to be the notification.
3. Mr. Sant spoke about his experience and resume is attached on the online packet. The Council and perspective interim city manager asked and answered questions around collaboration, working with staff, council, commissions and the residents. The salary mentioned would be about \$90,000 and the candidate indicated that it was an acceptable salary range for the short term.

At 10:55am the Mayor called the meeting to be in recess to verify with the City attorney that the council can go into Executive Session at 12:00pm then to resume the special meeting. He agreed that it could, but no decisions can be made.

The Executive Session was in session from 12:00pm to 12:30pm per ORS 192.660(2)(a).

At 12:35pm reconvened the Special Council meeting to discuss the Interim City Manager status.



1 The Motion was made to offer the interim pro-tem city manager position to Mr.  
2 Sant:  
3 Aye: O'Shaughnessey, Scott, Carey, Stott and Berdie.  
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5 After discussion regarding salary, a motion was made to offer no more than  
6 \$95,000 and elected the Mayor and Council President to negotiate the terms of  
7 the contract and offer Mr. Sant the position.  
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9 Aye: O'Shaughnessey, Scott, Carey and Berdie  
10 Nay: Stott  
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12 Mayor Berdie adjourned the meeting at 12:44pm  
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14 Prepared by Kimmie Jackson on March 24, 2023.