

**CITY OF PORT ORFORD
SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
GABLE CHAMBERS
FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2006 AT 3:00 P.m.**

(Interview & Select City Administrator)

Councilors present: E. Beck, C. Eskelson, M. Finch, Sr., J. Steinhorst, S. Abbott,
J. Campbell and Mayor Auburn

Councilors absent:

Staff present: B. Manes, City Recorder

Others present: None

Citizens present: None

Mayor Auburn called to order the Special Session of the Common Council of the City of Port Orford in the Gable Chambers, Friday, April 14, 2006, at 3:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting was to interview for the position of City Administrator in an Executive Session and return to Special Session to vote on a City Administrator.

Mayor Auburn then stated at 3:05 p.m. that the council would go into Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) Employment of Public Officers, Employees and Agents.

Mayor Auburn returned the meeting to the Special Session at 3:45 p.m.

After a short discussion regarding starting salary Mayor Auburn stated he would entertain a motion.

Councilor Finch moved to make an offer to Michael Murphy for the job of City Administrator at a salary of \$40,000.00 per year, with a six month probationary period, and subject to a complete background check. The motion was seconded.

Roll call vote:

“Yes” M. Finch, C. Eskelson, E. Beck, J. Campbell,
S. Abbott, J. Steinhorst

“No” None

Motion Passed: 6 to 0

The council requested the recorder to ask Mike Murphy to return to the Chambers. Mayor Auburn then told Mike that the council was offering him the position of City Administrator at a salary of \$40,000.00 per year during the six month probationary period, at the end of which time they would do an evaluation and council would ask him to move to the city.

Mayor Auburn handed him papers to fill out and give to the Police Chief for a complete background check. The Mayor then asked Steve Abbott and Jim Campbell to work on a contract for Mike.

The councilors asked Mike about his other jobs and he stated that he would probably remain with the Langois Fire Department for the present, and would like to continue his part time job at the water plant in Langois as long as it didn't interfere with his position as City Administrator. The council conceded that this would be okay as long as it didn't become an impediment to his activities as City Administrator.

There was also discussion regarding the tower for the high speed GIS network and the fact that Mike has been heading up the project. Mike stated there was another person who was equally if not more qualified to complete the project so that wasn't a problem.

There was also discussion regarding our water usage versus the amount of water treated. Mike asked if there were master meters in the city to use as a guide to leaks. He was told that that is in the water master plan, which as City Administrator he would be tasked with finding money to carry out steps in the plan. Mike noted that he was aware of that and would pursue it.

Mayor Auburn adjourned the Special Session at 4:10 p.m.

By _____
Jim Auburn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beverley Manes, City Recorder