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Chamber Meets and Eats by Evan Kramer

Guest speaker Larry Minnich spoke to the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce on Monday at their monthly membership meeting at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. Minnich, the chairman of Gold Beach 2010, visited Port Orford to speak about the annexation of Curry County into the Southwestern Oregon Community College District (SWOCC) which he very strongly supports. He was one of the group of people who originated the idea of joining SWOCC in April, 1994. The group Gold Beach 2010 was formed to, among other things, look into and plan for the future. It came about because of a severe loss of timber and mill jobs and a decline in the fisheries which led to increased unemployment in Gold Beach. One of the findings of Gold Beach 2010 was the difference in wages between those people with a high school education and those with a college education.

Minnich told the group that it was not necessary to hold an election for the annexation to occur. However, petitions were circulated in Curry County by people opposed to the annexation. They gathered over 500 signatures on petitions which Minnich said he felt were invalid because of technical reasons. The County placed the proposal on the March 26 vote-by-mail election.

Minnich held up a copy of the part of the

Oregon Constitution regarding Measure 5. This constitutional amendment was passed by the voters in November, 1990, and actually went into effect. The key point Minnich emphasized is because of Measure 5 that portion of your property taxes related to schools from kindergarten through community college is \$5.00 per thousand of assessed valuation. School superintendent Dick Wold added that here in the 2CJ school district we would be paying \$9.10 per thousand for the school portion of our property tax without Measure 5. Minnich's point was if Curry County annexes to SWOCC it's not going to cost you anymore on your property taxes. Under Measure 5 the state has to make up the lost revenue from property taxes.

SWOCC is run by a seven member board of directors elected by the people. Minnich said the next vacancy on the SWOCC board would be filled by someone from Curry County if we vote to annex.

Frank Smith pointed out that a student attending SWOCC from Curry County would pay \$106 less for tuition per semester if the county votes to annex and becomes part of the college district.

One of the many things Curry County would get from this annexation would be a SWOCC facility in the county, the ability of high school students to do college level work without leaving the county

and classes which would be held in all three cities of the county. It is thought because of the population density in Brookings that would be where the permanent facility would be located.

Another key point Minnich made in his fact sheet and to quote from it, "If Curry County annexes to SWOCC, the college district will receive, depending on the funding model adopted by the state, \$800,000 to \$1,600,000 each year for the next two years to provide education services in Curry County. If Curry county does not annex, this amount of money will be divided among existing community college districts. This is the lunch we are paying for but not getting."

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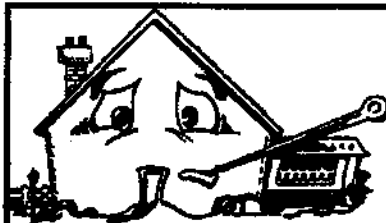


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Special thanks to those who donated their time in food preparation and service: Delmar Mathis, Tim Armi, Tom Smith and the cleanup crew.

We apologize if we've left anybody off this list. The event was a success with approximately \$1500 raised.

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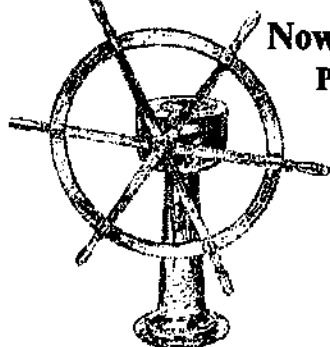
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Last year was fairly peaceful since March 6 was a Sunday and many computers were not turned on, but this year it falls on a Monday so the danger is much

higher. Computers could have been infected as much as two years ago and next Monday will be the first active sign!

To check for a virus, you can use the checking program in DOS by typing "MSAV" at the DOS prompt to check the current disk drive. To check other drives, you can type "MSAV D:" or "MSAV E:" etc. to specify the drive you want checked. Capitalization is not important.

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Curry Arts Promotion Committee

We enjoyed an eclectic presentation this first Monday by Jim Marino, sculptor. He brought at least a dozen of his pieces to view and touch as well as an excellent education regarding various methods of casting.

March 6th, at 6 pm, is our next meeting. Mark your calendar! It will be held at the new Arts and Crafts Building (Curry County Fairgrounds). There will be future "space" rentals available to artists for Gallery Showing and Sales. Details to follow. That same evening, our featured artist will be Richard Purdy, Silversmith, of Cabin Fever Arts.

Other topics planned for discussion are; Calendar of Events, Response and Advertising for upcoming Art Events, and Appointment of a Board of Directors.

Bob Simons, facilitator for the Writers Conference to be held in Gold Beach June 24th announced he is soliciting a Poster Design to be submitted by February 28th. The theme is "Romancing the Gold Coast". Call Bob (247-6854) with your ideas.

Please RSVP if you can attend the March 6th meeting to facilitate seating arrangements. Call Cynthia Jacobi 247-0459 or Carole Tindel 247-0821.

55 Alive Mature Driving

The American Association of Retired Persons announces the implementation of its mature driving improvement course for persons over 50 years old.

This is an eight hour classroom refresher course that is available to motorists over a two day period. This comprehensive nation-wide course was the first and is the largest designed especially for the older driver. It focuses on the physical changes that accompany aging and on ways to compensate for these changes, provides opportunities for self assessment and offers suggestions on how to improve your driving skills.

Since 1979 when the 55/Alive Driving program started, 3,619,885 drivers 50 years and older have finished the course. In 1994 a total of 564,959 drivers finished the course. This is an estimated 1% of the 51, 300,000 licensed drivers in the United States.

A class is being offered on March 13 and 14, from 8:00am until noon, at the American Legion Hall, 421 11th St., Port Orford. It is being sponsored by the American Legion Post 76 of Port Orford. We are very grateful to them for the use of their hall.

To register for the class call or write Alice Whitley at P.O. Box 533, Port Orford, OR 97465, 332-0116.

Commission on Children

The Curry County Commission on Children and Families (CCCCF) is pleased to announce the availability of 1995 Oregon Youth Conservation Corps (OYCC) Request for Proposal Packets. CCCCFF is looking for local programs which will engage youth in meaningful work within well supervised, cohesive and productive work crews; and to enhance job skills and educational development of participants as they increase social skills and improve their self-esteem.

The deadline for submitting proposals is March 29, 1995 for OYCC and Marine Board Proposals. If you have any questions or wish to request a proposal packet, please call the Office of the CCCCFF at 247-5600.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are need for the great Oregon Spring beach cleanup between the Sixes River and Cape Arrago. We also need help determining the beach accesses from the Sixes River north to beach junction in Bandon. Cleanup bags can be had at the Sixes Store. The people to contact are Ruth Ball at 347-2779 or Bob Franklin at 347-2209. The Spring beach cleanup will be held on Saturday, March 25, from 10:00am to 1:00pm.

The Mechanical Mouse © 1995 by Marlene Gay

We moved into a house
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From a cat's point of view...
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The Easter Seal Society of Oregon invites you to watch the 24th annual Easter Seal Telethon that will be held Saturday, March 4, from 9:00pm to 1:00am and on Sunday, March 5, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. The telethon will be broadcast on KCBY-Coos Bay. The local pledge center will be Port Orford Realty, located at 755 Highway 101. Pledges will be taken by ESA Sorority members. You may make a pledge in person or call 332-9505.

Last year generous gifts helped Easter Seals provide valuable programs and services to over 15,000 of your Oregon neighbors with physical disabilities.

Car Wash Big Success

Saturday, Feb 25th, the School District 2-CJ Bus Drivers sponsored a car wash at Bucks Sentry to help the Luke Marsh Medical Fund. The event brought in \$1,200 thanks to the communities high turn-out.

The Bus Drivers would like to thank all of the people who turned out to help wash cars and give a special thanks to Buck's Sentry for furnishing the water and a place for the car wash event.

Bonsai Society To Meet

The March meeting of the Far West Bonsai Society will be held Monday evening, March 6, at the Port Orford Trailer Village from 7:00-9:00pm in the recreation room. A video will be shown on basic grafting principles. The club has been asked to participate in the coming Port Orford Arts Festival and the annual bonsai exhibit will be held on July 4.

All are invited to attend the upcoming meeting. For further information please call 332-7633 or 332-1041.

Cultural Education

On March 2 at 6:30pm at the Langlois Library, cultural education ideas, multi-cultural arts and community activities, and financial and material resources will

be discussed. Larry Tucker and Melchor Gamez, State Migrant Education Service Center, will lead the community discussion. This "brainstorming" meeting is being coordinated by Barbara Garcia and Stephanie Stevens through the Driftwood Elementary School Site Council.

All are welcome. If you wish to reserve a seat, please leave a message with your name, address and phone number at either 332-0243 or 347-4571.

Health Department

The following is the schedule for the first part of March for the Curry County Health Department in Port Orford.

March 2 - no nurse

March 4 - immunizations from 10:00am - 1:00pm.

Children excluded from school for lack of immunizations can be taken to Gold Beach Health office for shots. Please call 247-7011 for information.

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Fri Mar. 3	12:38am 7.3	6:56am 1.0	12:46pm 6.8	7:03pm 0.8
Sat Mar. 4	1:10am 7.3	7:35am 1.0	1:31pm 6.4	7:37pm 1.3
Sun Mar. 5	1:42am 7.2	8:20am 1.0	2:16pm 5.9	8:12pm 1.9
Mon Mar. 6	2:13am 7.0	9:05am 1.1	3:06pm 5.5	8:50pm 2.4
Tue Mar. 7	2:50am 6.8	9:57am 1.2	4:06pm 5.1	9:32pm 2.8
Wed Mar. 8	3:32am 6.6	10:56am 1.3	5:21pm 4.9	10:25pm 3.2
Thu Mar. 9	4:26am 6.4	11:59am 1.3	6:44pm 4.9	11:28pm 3.4

Port of Port Orford

Port Commissioner Frank Jania gave his verbal resignation at the Port Meeting on February 21, 1995. He said that he is moving from the area and the resignation is effective at the end of the month. The Commissioners and the Staff at the Port of Port Orford would like to thank Mr. Jania for the time he served on the Port Commission. Applications to fill this position are now being solicited, and a decision will be made at the regular meeting on March 21, 1995. Please bring a letter of interest to the Port Office by March 20, 1995 if you are interested in filling the vacancy.

Letter to the Editor,

Our community is currently involved in a discussion as to the advisability of joining the SWOCC district for purposes of increasing educational opportunities in Curry County. From my position as Administrator of the Curry County Health Dept. I would like to share with you some of my thoughts about how increasing educational services in Curry County will also benefit the health of residents of Curry County.

There are three key points in my mind about this issue:

1. Educational status has a direct impact on economic opportunity for the individual and family.
2. Economic and educational status are major determinants of health status and access to health services.
3. The specific issue of teen pregnancy may be influenced by the availabil-

ity of educational opportunities in the community. It is difficult to convince some teens of the advisability of delaying sexual activity and resulting pregnancy if they see little else in their future to look forward to.

Please consider these points when making your decision.

Barbara O'Malley Floyd
RN, CNM, MS
Administrator
Curry County Health Dept.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Rotary and Lions clubs for the rock on the driveway and Rotary men for work done in yard.

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Letter To the Editor,

The city council was required to make a very controversial vote on the settlement of the Bussmann case on February 17. No one on the Council was happy with the vote since the monetary damages to the city, while difficult to prove in court, certainly far exceed the \$9,500 agreed upon. The problem for our side was the difficulty of proving before a judge (no jury trial in this type of case) that the activities of the defendants were the sole cause of the water problems. The reasons for this statement are too involved to discuss here, but I believe our attorney is correct in this opinion. In addition the Bussmanns did not fully comply with the ODF(Oregon Forest Service) orders with regard to soil analysis.

What the city did get with this settlement is the full protection of the provisions of the temporary injunction, now made permanent. If further damage to the water

supply occurs as a result of past or future logging activities, then the city has the full rights to ODF protection and the right to go to court for monetary damages resulting from these activities. If the Bussmanns decide to use their land for a purpose other than timber, then they must obtain all permits and approvals from government agencies for this work. The city can, and must be directly involved in these proceedings. Even if they have all necessary permits, if the road or construction work causes water pollution, the Bussmanns can be sued by the City under the terms of this Release. To quote from our attorney's opinion "I believe the terms of the settlement are as good as,

and are probably better than, the result that would be obtained if the City's case against the The Bussmanns was tried"

Ralph Donaldson
Council Member

Port Orford Clown Troop

The Port Orford Clown Troop held their first meeting last Tuesday. Clowns present were "Pinkie", "Hoppy" (and his stick horse silver), "Skoopy", "Blue Bubbles", and "Tilly Marlene". If anyone would be interested in joining the clown troop, please call Thelma Lagace for information of upcoming meetings. Look for them in the July 4 parade! Call 332-3800 for more information.

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Oregon Coast Winter Challenge

What began as a four member team on the Oregon Coast Winter Challenge, a sea kayak expedition along the entire Oregon coast, now consists of two members. Steph Dutton, 44, well known for his BC to BC/93 expedition, a transit by sea kayak of the entire contiguous US Pacific coast, remains as the sole paddler involved in the Challenge. Dutton is a leg amputee, having lost his leg after being hit by a motorist while assisting the victim of a traffic accident. Heidi Tiura, 43, remains as expedition manager and navigator. Dutton and Tiura live in Astoria, Oregon.

Paddler Lee Bonfiglio, 25, left the expedition Feb. 4th due to business reasons. Dave Slover, 34, withdrew two days later, citing tendinitis in his elbow.

Conditions faced by the team have ranged from gale force winds and driving rain to a couple of days of summer-like weather rarely seen on the Oregon coast in July, much less February. At this writing, Dutton and Tiura, graciously housed by Shilo Inn of Lincoln City, are looking out at a boiling sea and blinding snowstorm.

The Challenge was undertaken as a means

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to raise funds and awareness for Doernbecher Children's Foundation, the fund-raising arm of Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland, Oregon. The inspiration for the voyage is Dutton and Tiura's friend Brandon Howe, 7, also of Astoria. Diagnosed with a brain tumor at the age of 5, Brandon was treated by Doernbecher; Brandon's parents credit the hospital with saving their son's life.

The expedition is being paddled south to north. It began January 27 just south of Brookings, Oregon, with the destination being the Columbia River Maritime Museum at Astoria. Dutton paddles an average of twenty miles, per day and is currently working his way along the Newport/Lincoln City coastline. When necessary the team leapfrogs ahead in an attempt to take advantage of more favorable conditions; occasionally it works out. Due to the extreme weather conditions, estimating completion of the expedition is difficult, but a further update will be issued as it nears.

Sponsorship for the Challenge is being provided by Captain Morgan Rum, Eddyline Kayaks, Flexfoot, Alder Creek Kayak Supply, Kokatat Water Sportswear, Garmin International, Navico Radios, Swift Paddles, Snapdragon Design, Lightning Paddles and Clif Bars.

While the number of participants has diminished, the teams determination has not wavered. "What the Pacific has thrown



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at me comes as no surprise," Dutton stated. "What I didn't expect was such heartfelt support from the beachside communities we've passed through. It's clear that Doernbecher has touched many lives out here. Certainly what we're doing is tough, but the real challenge is faced by those little kids in the hospital. They keep us going."

A display of related articles will be posted at the maritime museum.

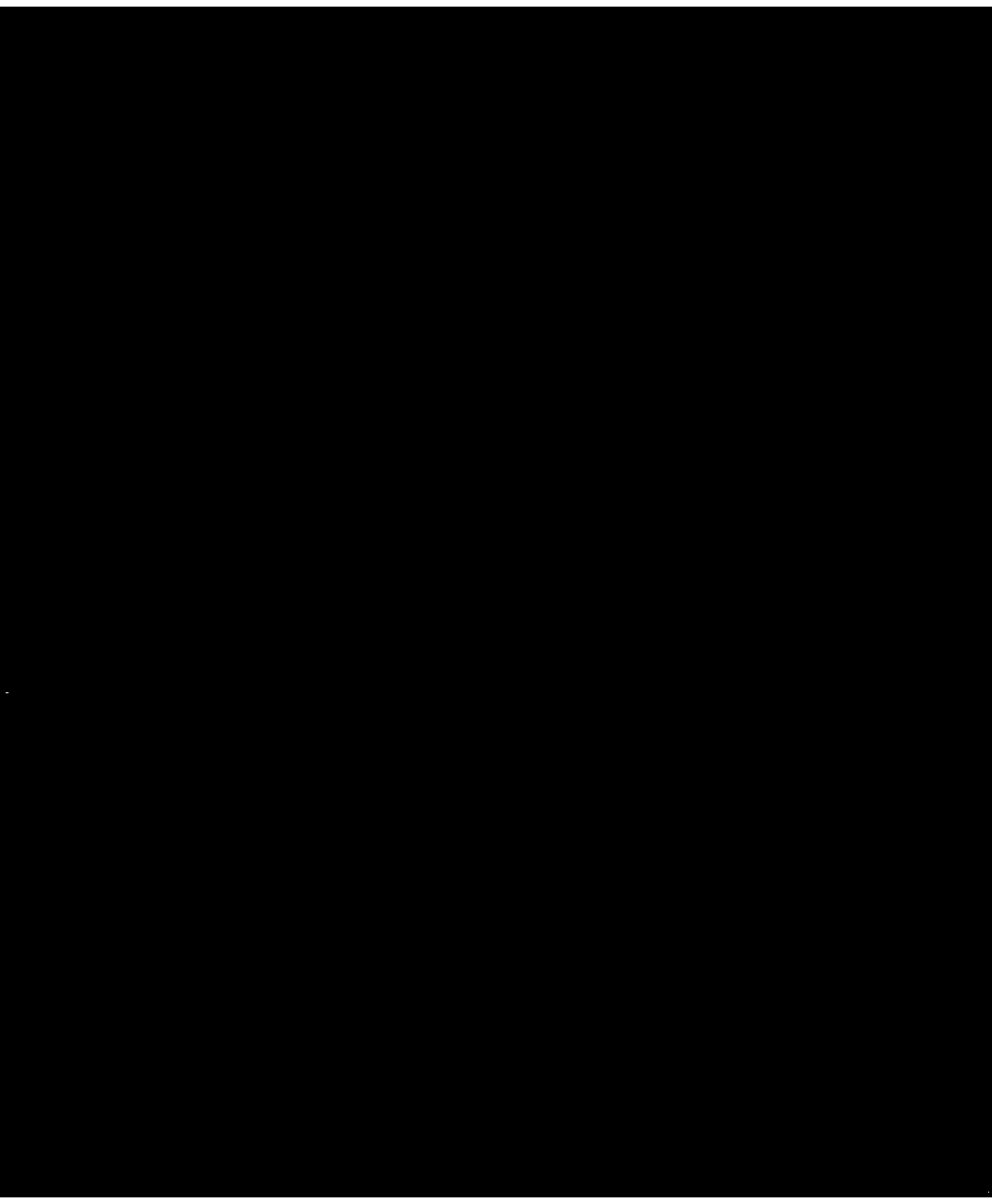
For more information about Doernbecher, please contact Chris Kabel at (503) 294-7101. To contact Dutton and Tiura, please call Eddyline Kayaks at (360) 757-2300 or leave a message at (503) 325-2026. Contributions may be pledged through Alder Creek at (503) 285-0464

Register To Vote Now!

Renee' Kolen, County Clerk, would like to remind you that the last day to register to vote for the upcoming March 28, 1995 special district director election by mail is March 7, 1995.

Ballot packets for the election will be mailed out between March 8, 1995 and March 14, 1995. If you do not receive your ballot packet by March 17, 1995 please contact the elections office.

Should you have any questions regarding the March 28, 1995 election or your registration status, please contact the County Clerks Elections Division at 247-7011 ext. 223 & 224.



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these four lots were auctioned, the four were added together and a bid was taken to see if anyone would buy the entire contents of the store for more than the total of the four sections. Many of the spectators were interested only in certain merchandise but the auction was not that detailed. When the dust settled, Frank Neely was the winner of the day, buying back the entire inventory of the store which he had formerly owned.

Frank said he has rented the building for a month and will be marking the merchandise down to sell it all this month so now's your chance to get some great bargains on all these items! If you want to hear the melodious voice of a professional auctioneer and missed this auction, watch for ads. Wayne said he'd be back in this area for an estate sale on March 18th.

Letter To The Editor,

Whenever a resident of Port Orford asked about the Bussmann lawsuit, they were told that it could only be discussed in executive session. Did the city council think that people of our fair city couldn't understand, or comprehend the involved points of the case, or be able to inject any comments of a logical nature on the subject. They discussed the case in executive session and came to the open meeting, executed a vote, the results of which were obviously predetermined in executive session. All before allowing any of the citizenry to make comment. This would indicate that they don't have a healthy respect for the intelligence or integrity of our populace so therefore our comments do not count. Perhaps we should find some other way to let the city council become aware of our displeasure.

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