



**CITY OF CORNING
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Council:

Darlene Dickison

Dave Linnet

Tony Cardenas

Willie Smith

Mayor:

Gary Strack

All members of the City Council were present.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by the City Manager.

D. INVOCATION: Led by Mayor Strack.

E. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS: None.

F. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Ross Turner stated he understood that it was announced at the last meeting that there would be something on the Agenda tonight or schedule a third meeting (Special) to discuss the Fire Dispatch. Will that be announced later in the meeting; Mayor Strack stated yes, a date has been confirmed with the School District and will be announced during the Budget update.

Fire Chief Martin Spannaus announced that the Department had held their elections which resulted in the following selections: 1st Assistant Chief Dave Demo, 2nd Assistant Chief Tom Tomlinson and Captains Kirk Hewitt, Flint Nichols and Damon Schlereth.

Councilman Linnet thanked the Fire Department for their hard work on their annual Christmas Food/Gift Program.

G. CONSENT AGENDA: It is recommended that items listed on the Consent Agenda be acted on simultaneously unless a Councilmember or members of the audience request separate discussion and/or action.

- 1. Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
- 2. Waive the reading and approve with any necessary corrections the Minutes of the:**
 - a) December 8, 2015 City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting; and the**
 - b) December 11, 2015 Special City Council Meeting.**
- 3. January 6, 2016 Claim Warrant - \$494,764.68.**
- 4. January 6, 2016 Business License Report.**
- 5. December 2015 Wages & Salaries: \$360,616.84 .**
- 6. December 2015 Treasurer's Report.**
- 7. December 2015 City of Corning Wastewater Operations Summary Report.**
- 8. November 2015 Building Permit Valuation Report in the amount of \$342,045.00.**
- 9. December 2015 Building Permit Valuation Report in the amount of \$231,960.75.**

10. **Approve property owner's request for sewer connection and installation at 4095 Mary Avenue following payment of the associated Impact Fees in the amount of \$5,720.**
11. **Award 3-Year Agreement for Tree Spraying and Pest & Weed Control to Tracy and Lucie Woolery DBA Pestmaster Services of North State California in the annual amount of \$19,950.**
12. **Approve recommendation of Matthew Barr for appointment to the City Recreation Commission.**
13. **Consider Recommendation of the Recreation Commission to change monthly meeting schedule to quarterly in January, April, July and October.**

Councilor Cardenas requested to remove Consent Item 3 for a separate vote due to the fact that he would be abstaining from voting on this item due to a conflict.

Fire Chief Spannaus requested that Consent Item 2 be pulled to add a correction.

Councilor Dickison moved to approve Consent Items 1, and 4-13. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed/Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

2. **Waive the reading and approve with any necessary corrections the Minutes of the:**
 - a) **December 8, 2015 City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting; and the**
 - b) **December 11, 2015 Special City Council Meeting.**

Fire Chief Spannaus stated that a correction was needed to the December 8, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes, specifically to Item 9 as he did not visit the Chico Dispatch Center.

Councilor Smith then moved to approve the Minutes of the December 8, 2015 City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting with the noted correction; and the December 11, 2015 Special City Council Meeting. Councilor Cardenas seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed/Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

3. **January 6, 2016 Claim Warrant - \$494,764.68.**

Councilor Linnet moved to approve; Councilor Smith seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet and Smith. Abstain: Cardenas. Absent/Opposed: None. Motion was approve by a 4-0 vote with Cardenas abstaining.**

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS: None.

J. REGULAR AGENDA:

14. **Action on Disposal Service CPI/Fuel Index Rates resulting in a proposed rate decrease of 0.88%.**

Following a brief outline of the proposal Councilor Cardenas moved to approve the proposed Disposal Service Rate Decrease of 0.88% as shown on the Rate Schedule to be effective April 1, 2016 which will equate to a \$0.20 residential, and \$0.10 senior rate decrease per month. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed/Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

15. **Authorize Staff to begin the advertisement and recruitment process for the Building Official position.**

Susan Price asked if the Council had discussed and possibly considered contracting out for these services similar to what the City of Colusa has done. She was informed that the City had contacted the County about possibly providing these services via contract. The estimate they provided did provide a savings, the services to our residents would be substantially lower in regards to permit issuance and inspection timelines, etc. The City has not pursued other avenues for contracting these services out.

Councilor Linnet stated he would like to keep the Building Official position to be half time.

Councilor Dickison moved to authorize Staff to begin the recruitment process and hire a Building Official with the duties to be Building Official/Building and Public Works Construction Inspector to be specified in the advertisement. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed: Linnet. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approve by a 4-1 vote with Linnet opposing.**

16. Appoint the Vice Mayor and City Representatives to various Commissions/Committees.

Following a brief discussion, it was suggested to leave the Vice Mayor and City representatives the same with the exception of the following:

- Lisa Linnet will replace Pala Cantrell as the representative to the Tehama County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee
- Kristina Miller will replace John Brewer on NCCSIF and
- Dawn Grine will replace Patrick Walker on the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency (JPA II) Executive Committee

Councilor Cardenas moved to accept the two changes (Linnet and Miller) and Councilor Dickison seconded. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed/Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

Chief Spannaus stated that there is a third change, Dawn Grine is proposed to replace former Public Works Director Patrick Walker which wasn't included in the motion.

Councilor Cardenas rescinded his first motion and moved to accept the listed changes as stated in the Staff Report; Councilor Dickison rescinded second on the first motion and seconded the second motion to approve the proposed list. **Ayes: Strack, Dickison, Linnet, Cardenas and Smith. Opposed/Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

17. General Fund Revenue Update for FY 2015/16.

City Manager Kristina Miller provided the City Council with an update on the City's Budget standing and by Council consensus scheduled a special meeting for Monday, January 18 @ 6:00 p.m. at Woodson School. Councilor Dickison asked for information relating to the schedule for placing the tax ballot measure on the June Primary Election. City Attorney Jody Burgess explained the process and stated that the deadline date for placing a General or Special Tax on the June ballot is March 11th. He further stated that Staff has been working to prepare all of the required documentation.

An audience member suggested that City have a backup plan in case the tax doesn't go through.

Mayor Strack then asked the City Attorney to brief the Council on the latest legislation relating to marijuana. Mr. Burgess provided this information.

K. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR: None

L. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: None.

M. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS: City Councilmembers will report on attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234).

Dickison: Tomorrows LAFCO meeting has been canceled, Community Action Meeting is scheduled for next week.

Linnet: Reported on Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency (JPA II) Executive Committee Meeting stating that they should be in the new building next month. He announced that he had covered two graffiti's this week and collected and returned some shopping carts.

Cardenas: Reported that the Nomlaki Tribe made a \$35,000 (of the \$100,000) donation to the Theatre. He also reported on the 3CORE Meeting and the Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

Smith: The Senior Center will be holding their election for new Board Members tomorrow.

Strack: Nothing.

N. ADJOURNMENT!: 7:30 p.m.

Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk

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