



**CITY OF CORNING
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2007
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Councilmember:

Hill
Dickison
Zuniga
Turner
Strack

Mayor:

All Council members were present.

C. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

City Manager Stephen Kimbrough led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. ECO Resources – Recognition of Award from the California Water Environment Association, Northern Sacramento Valley Section.**

Council will revisit this item when the members of ECO Resources arrive.

E. ROSE TOBISCH, CORNING HIGH SCHOOL LIAISON REPORT: Not present.

F. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Councilman Turner requested a Closed Session either tonight or in two weeks regarding an issue relating to City finances. Mayor Strack asked City Attorney Michael Fitzpatrick if this is something that should be discussed in public or in closed session. The City Attorney stated that this was something that should be discussed in public. Councilman Turner asked if this could be added to tonight's agenda; Mayor Strack stated that the City Manager is gathering more information and it might be better to add it as an agenda item for the next meeting. After a short discussion amongst the Council the unanimous decision was reached to add this as an Agenda Item on the February 13, 2007 City Council Meeting Agenda.

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 requests separate discussion and/or action.

- 2. Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
- 3. Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2007 Meeting with any necessary corrections.**
- 4. January 2007 Wages and Salaries - \$318,251.12.**
- 5. January 18, 2007 Claim Warrant - \$210,046.87.**
- 6. January 18, 2007 Business Licenses.**

Councilman Turner motioned approval of Consent Agenda Items 2-6. Councilor Hill seconded the motion. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0. **Ayes: Strack, Hill, Dickison, Zuniga and Turner. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None.**

H. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:** None.

I. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS:** None.

J. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

7. Presentation of Solid Waste and Recycling Programs Available to Corning Residents by Alan Abbs, Tehama County Landfill.

Mayor Strack asked Councilman Turner to introduced Alan Abbs, Solid Waste Director of the Tehama County Landfill stating Mr. Abbs would discuss solid waste programs available to residents in the Corning area. Mr. Abbs informed the Council and audience that approximately 1 year ago they received a large Grant for a hazardous waste program for disposal of various hazardous waste items. One dumpsite will be located at Corning Disposal and will open in mid to late February. He acknowledged the support of Corning Disposal and Waste Management in making this happen. They are currently looking for a waste tire grant for agricultural tires, this will be the third year for this event in Corning, once received the vouchers will be available at City Hall. They have an agreement with Corning Disposal for dumping service location for used oil; this service is free to the public and is funded by the grant funds. Residents can get rid of TV's and computer monitors at the same time as the tires, this is also a free service provided through funds from the Grant. Councilor Turner asked if it would be possible to have battery bags available on April 14th for public use. Mr. Abbs informed the public that alkaline batteries can no longer be placed in the garbage, instead they may be tossed into the recycle bin; this is a pilot program. Corning Disposal will take them if placed in bags and delivered to them. Tehama County in the first County doing this. Councilor Hill asked if this will all be e-waste or CPU's as well. Mayor Strack stated the Council's appreciation for all the programs they have made available to the residents of Corning and Tehama County.

ECO Resources – Recognition of Award from the California Water Environment Association, Northern Sacramento Valley Section.

Mayor Strack asked City Manager Kimbrough to brief the Council on the services provided by ECO Resources. Kathy Stone and Staff of Eco Resources, the Company that operates our Wastewater Treatment Plant was present to address the Council and present the Council with the Award won by the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

8. City Transportation Center

a) Report on Transportation Center History;

b) Report on Transportation Center Rental and Future Uses.

Mayor Strack asked the City Manager to give a brief explanation of the Transportation Center and the lease terms. Councilor Turner stated that at a prior meeting the City Manager had stated some of the Caltrans terms for use of the Transportation Center could he explain further. Mr. Kimbrough stated that he had received word from Caltrans that the Transportation Center could be used by a City entity as long as we maintained the bus area and restrooms. Amtrak, Shasta College, and TRAX still use it. Councilor Dickison asked why the rent was doubled. Mr. Kimbrough stated that local Restaurants and Realtors had been contacted to distinguish what the market rate currently is, he also stated that by raising the rent, it is hoped to obtain interest from experienced restaurateurs and the City would not be subsidizing the business. Councilor Hill asked what else we could do to attract businesses. Councilor Turner asked if a liquor license would be possible in a City building; Mr. Kimbrough stated that he didn't see a problem with obtaining one. City Manager Kimbrough confirmed that Council would rather the monthly lease fee be based on \$50 per square foot as was suggested by Councilor Hill. Councilor Hill suggested asking Janet Darrow to list the property on the multiple listing service that is global. Mr.

Kimbrough requested Council approval to move forward with this; Council unanimously agreed that the City Manager should move forward with Councilor Hill's assistance.

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

L. **COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:** None.

M. **REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS:**

9. Hill: Updated the Council on the League Meetings she attended.
10. Dickison: Updated the Council on the Tripartite Board meeting, stating that the last meeting location was difficult to get in and out, the next meeting will be in Corning. Discussion at this meeting will be the needs of low income and needy families. She reported that the "Friends of the Theatre" are selling T-Shirts for \$12.00 each.
11. Zuniga: None.
12. Turner: Reported that Karen Steinacher was appointed to the Corning Health Care District Board. He stated that he attended the JPA meeting and he was appointed Vice President of the JPA.
13. Strack: Presentation of City of Corning Centennial Seal to be used on stationary and proclamations. With no objections from Council, City Staff was directed to order the stationary. Councilor Hill asked if the local badge maker could use the centennial seal; Council decided unanimously no. Councilor Dickison suggested that we make sure that Corning, CA is on the seal. Mayor Strack announced that the Chamber Dinner is this Saturday.

N. **ADJOURNMENT! 8:22 p.m.**



Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk