



**CITY OF CORNING
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

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

B. ROLL CALL:

Council:

**Hill
Dickison
Zuniga
Turner
Strack**

Mayor:

All Council members were present.

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 54957.6:

Agency negotiator: William May, Labor Relations Consultant; Negotiation with Miscellaneous Employees.

D. RECONVENE AND REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Strack stated that Council met with the City Negotiator and gave him direction.

E. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

City Manager Kimbrough led the Pledge of Allegiance.

F. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITION'S, APPOINTMENTS:

1. Introduction of new Planning Director John Stoufer.

John Brewer introduced new Planning Director John Stoufer.

2. Proclamation – May 11TH – 17TH “ Poppy Days”

Gene and Delores May from the American Legion Auxiliary were present to accept the Proclamation.

3. Proclamation – May 19 - 25, 2008 National Public Works Week

Mayor Strack presented the Proclamation to Tom Russ, retiring Public Works Director, and John Brewer, incoming Public Works Director.

G. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Walter Dodd addressed the Council acknowledging Councilor Ross Turner as the Tehama County Republican of the Year.

Gene May addressed the Council regarding the garbage and junk at the property located on the northeast corner of Houghton Avenue and Marin Street. He has stated that this property has been his headache for along time, stating that some action needs to be taken. Mr. May brought pictures of the site and information regarding what the City of Willows is doing regarding debris cleaning.

Mayor Strack asked that Staff discuss this issue at the Wednesday Staff meeting. He would like Staff to come up with a way to enforce the existing Ordinance relating to garbage stating that if Staff needs Council assistance, Council will assist in any way needed.

Councilor Hill suggests enforcing the monetary fines. Mayor Strack stated if fines are initiated, Council will need to support Staff.

H. DORIS DRUM, CORNING HIGH SCHOOL LIAISON REPORT: Not Present.

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- I. **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.
4. **Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
 5. **Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the April 22, 2008 meeting with any necessary corrections.**
 6. **April 16, 2008 Claim Warrant - \$1,106,057.02.**
 7. **Business License Report – May 7, 2008.**
 8. **Treasurer’s Report – April 2008.**
 9. **Wages and Salaries –April 2008 - \$330,756.23.**
 10. **April 2008 Building Permit Valuation - \$920,186.**
 11. **April 2008 – Southwest Water Company Wastewater Operation Summary Report.**
 12. **Final Parcel Map 06-41, Accept 14’ Street Dedication Offer along Blackburn Avenue; George & Jacqueline Souza.**
 13. **Approve Resolution 05-13-08-01 Designating a No Parking Zone on Portions of Toomes and Blackburn Avenues.**
 14. **Approve Resolution 05-13-08-02 Modifying Building Permit and Building Plan Check Fees.**
 15. **Resolution 05-13-08-03 Adopting the 2008 – 2013 Tehama County Bikeways Plan.**
 16. **Approve 2007 Paving Project Progress Pay Estimate No. 3 to Sunrise Construction for \$528,818.05.**
 17. **Award the Three-Year Concrete Contract Bid to Ward’s Concrete, Inc. for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Installation.**
 18. **Determination of Priority Projects – Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs).**

Councilor Hill asked to pull Consent Item 17. Mayor Strack in relation to Item 18; he asked whether the priority listing of the PG&E Under-grounding is still pertinent; the funding process was explained explaining the reason this item remains on the list.

Councilor Turner motioned approval of Consent Items 4 through 16 and 18. Councilor Hill seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Hill, Dickison, Zuniga and Turner. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion approved by a vote of 5-0.**

J. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

17. **Award the Three-Year Concrete Contract Bid to Ward’s Concrete, Inc. for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Installation.**

Councilor Hill stated her opinion regarding prior finish work (specifically in the 1500 block of Yolo Street) performed by Ward’s Concrete for the City, stating she believed it to be below

standard. She questioned awarding Ward's Concrete the contract based on past work completed for the City.

Public Works Director Tom Russ informed the Council that all past work performed for the City by Ward's Concrete was inspected by the City and met City Standards. He further stated his belief that the Company has provided outstanding service to the City. After some discussion it was determined the City would provide more supervision on concrete projects.

Councilor Zuniga motioned to award the Bid for the 3-year Concrete Contract to Ward's Concrete for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Installation. Councilor Dickison seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Hill, Dickison, Zuniga and Turner. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion approved by a vote of 5-0.**

K. REGULAR AGENDA:

19. Overview of Unmet Transit Needs Processes, Discussion and Public Comments on Unmet Transit Needs.

Barbara O'Keeffe, Tehama County Transit Manager addressed the Council giving a brief explanation on this annual item. She stated that this gives the public a chance to make comments related to unmet transit needs. Councilor Dickison stated that TRAX has met with the seniors at the Senior Center and will be adding additional routes. Barbara updated the Council on the various Grants the County has received relating to transit needs.

20. Presentation by Alan Abbs, Tehama County Air Pollution Control District on the Federal Ozone Standard.

Alan Abbs stated that they had received a grant to assist with the replacement of existing old school buses within the County. He stated that the reason he was here tonight was to brief the Council on the new Federal Ozone Standards. Formerly the standard was 80 parts per billion or greater (unhealthy), it is now 75 parts per billion. There are two monitors, one on top of the Tuscan Buttes, and one in downtown Red Bluff on top of the jail. At the monitor in Red Bluff we are usually in compliance, however we are not in compliance much of the time at the Tuscan Buttes. With the reduction, this means that we will possibly be in non attainment which means that the County will then be required to meet various compliance standards, such as new regulations enacted, studies and predictions done and reported, etc.

21. Approve Planned Recreation Programs and Associated Program Fees.

Mayor Strack asked if Terry Church would be running the Tennis camp; Kim stated yes. Councilor Hill asked if most of the programs were set up to make a profit, or were they developed to be self-sustaining only. Recreation Supervisor Kimberly Beck and City Manager Kimbrough stated currently it is just to have no impact on the City with the exception of the Recreation Supervisors salary. Councilor Hill asked if the City plans to charge non-City residents (outside City Limits) more and residents. Councilor Hill motioned approval of the 2008 Recreation Department Programs and Associated Fees. Councilor Turner seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Hill, Dickison, Zuniga and Turner. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion approved by a vote of 5-0.** Mayor Strack requested more Senior Programs.

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

M. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: None

N. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

22. Hill: Asked Steve for clarification on the Pedometer Challenge; he responded.

23. Dickison: Stated that she represented the Council on April 26th at the E Clampus Vitus Plaque dedication at City Hall. She stated her disappointment that no other representatives from the City were present. She announced that the Senior Center is having a Turkey Mother's Day dinner. Councilor Dickison stated that she will be

attending the LAFco meeting tomorrow at 2:00 pm and the Tripartite Board meeting on Thursday.

24. Zuniga: None.

25. Turner: Thanked Walter for his acknowledgement. He stated that this morning he attended the Tri-County Economic Development meeting and reported on it and stated that the next meeting will be at 7:30 a.m. on May 29th here in the Council Chambers.

26. Strack: Announced the invitation to Council for May 26th dinner at Veterans Hall for Memorial Service.

O. ADJOURNMENT!: 8:45 p.m.

**Lisa M. Linnet,
City Clerk**