



**CITY OF CORNING  
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2011  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
794 THIRD STREET**

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

**B. ROLL CALL:**

**Council:**

**Toni Parkins  
John Leach  
Darlene Dickison  
Dave Linnet  
Gary Strack**

**Mayor:**

The **Brown Act** requires that the Council provide the opportunity for persons in the audience to briefly address the Council on the subject(s) scheduled for tonight's closed session. Is there anyone wanting to comment on the subject(s) the Council will be discussing in closed session? If so, please come to the podium, identify yourself and give us your comments.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

**CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 54957.6:**

**Agency Negotiator: William May, Labor Relations Consultant**

**Management, Dispatch and Public Safety Employees Bargaining Units**

**E. RECONVENE SPECIAL MEETING AND REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: 7:30 p.m.**

Mayor Strack reported that Council met with the City's Labor Negotiator Bill May and gave him direction.

**F. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: 7:30 p.m.**

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**Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk**



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**B. ROLL CALL:**

**Council:**

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Gary Strack**

**Mayor:**

All members of the City Council were present.

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

**D. INVOCATION: Led by Mayor Strack.**

Persons of no religious persuasion will not be expected in any manner to stand or to participate other than to remain quiet out of respect for those who do choose to participate.

**E. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS:**

Public Works Director John Brewer introduced new employee Patrick Walker who was hired to fill the Assistant Public Works Director position upon Carl Crain's retirement in January. Mr. Brewer stated that Mr. Walker started in his new position on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> and is currently job-shadowing Mr. Crain. He further stated that Patrick was raised in Corning and is a 1986 graduate of Corning High School. He worked for the City of Calistoga for about 15 years and most recently worked for Honeywell Utility Solutions as a contractor for Nevada Energy dealing with high bill complaints and supervised a wet weather program. He has two children that will be attending Corning High School with another on the way.

**F. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.**

**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.**

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 the Minutes of the October 11, 2011 Regular City Council Meeting with any necessary corrections:**
3. **October 19, 2011 Claim Warrant - \$162,289.70.**
4. **October 19, 2011 Business License Report.**
5. **Adopt Ordinance 647, an Ordinance Repealing and Reenacting Certain Sections of Chapter 15 of the Corning Municipal Code and Adopting by Reference the 2010 Editions of Various Uniform State Codes. (Second Reading and Adoption)**
6. **Approve Progress Pay Estimate No. 3 in the amount of \$31,670.19 to Trent Construction for the Clark Park Municipal Water Well Project.**
7. **Award Bid for the 2011 Street Improvement Project (Base Bid Project) in the amount of \$233,016.75 to Knife River Construction.**
8. **Adopt Resolution No. 10-25-2011-01 Acceptance of 2011 California Citizen's Options for Public Safety Grant.**

**9. Approve Agreement for Joint Use of Mason's Parking Lot at 1116 Solano Street and Authorize payment for 1/3 of Resurfacing Costs.**

Mayor Strack stated that he wanted to pull Consent Item # 9 for further discussion, and Councilor Leach requested to pull Consent Item # 7. Councilor Parkins moved to approve Consent Items 1-6 and 8. Councilor Dickison seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

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

**7. Award Bid for the 2011 Street Improvement Project (Base Bid Project) in the amount of \$233,016.75 to Knife River Construction.**

Councilor Leach wanted a clarification that the \$40,000 transfer from the City's reserve was okay. City Manager Kimbrough confirmed that the City had the funding for this project. Mayor Strack asked Public Works Director Brewer for clarification on the time table stating that it might not be completed this year depending upon the weather. Public Works Director John Brewer stated that Knife River Construction is a big enough company so that dependent upon the weather, they might have the project completed within a week.

With no further discussion, Councilor Leach moved to transfer \$40,000 from cash reserves to Fund 001-6150-3001 (General Fund Materials & Supplies), and award the Bid for the 2011 Street Improvement Project to Knife River Construction of Chico, California in the amount of \$233,016.75 to complete the base bid project. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

**9. Approve Agreement for Joint Use of Mason's Parking Lot at 1116 Solano Street and Authorize payment for 1/3 of Resurfacing Costs.**

Mayor Strack stated that under the proposed Agreement, the Chamber/Museum, City and Masonic Lodge agree to split the cost three ways for resurfacing the parking lot, clarifying that the City's portion would be \$865. He further stated that the Masons have asked if the City would initially pay for the resurfacing with the Masonic Lodge and Chamber/Museum reimbursing the City so that the contractor will not need to deal with 4 separate checks. Mayor Strack stated that the Masons have asked that City Employees park only on the east side and refrain from using it in the evenings on the second Tuesday of the month, which is their meeting nights.

Councilor Dickison moved to:

- Approve the Agreement for Use of the Parking Lot with the Masons and authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement, and
- In accordance with the Agreement, authorize the expenditure of \$865 for resurfacing of the Mason's parking lot with the City paying the whole bill and the Chamber/Museum and Masonic Lodge reimbursing the City for their one third share of the cost.

Councilor Linnet seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

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

**J. REGULAR AGENDA:**

**10. Corning Police Department Staffing Re-Organization.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title stating that we are filling a fourth Sergeants position. Chief Cardenas explained that they are proposing to move one of the existing patrol sergeants over to do both detective work and supervision work. He further explained that the most qualified person to do that is a sergeant. Chief Cardenas explained that this would allow the department to start the process of filling the fourth sergeant's position. City Manager Kimbrough stated that this would be a promotional opportunity to promote an existing officer to a sergeant's position. He further explained that there would be no back-filling of the vacancy created with the internal sergeant's promotion.

Chief Cardenas then announced that former employee (Police Dispatcher) Laura Burlison (formerly Pendleton) has accepted the offer of the vacant Police Dispatcher position.

With no further discussion, Councilor Leach moved to authorize the Corning Police Department to proceed with the staffing reorganization and internal promotional examinations for the Sergeant's position. Councilor Linnet seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

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

**L. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:**

City Clerk Lisa Linnet announced two upcoming events:

**November 1<sup>st</sup>:** Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment 2012 at the Corning Senior Center at 11:30 a.m.

**November 10<sup>th</sup>:** Corning in the Morning Senior Fair at the Corning Senior Center from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**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).

**Parkins:** Stated she will be out of State next week but available by email.

**Leach:** Stated he was on vacation last week and didn't make the Community Action Meeting.

**Dickison:** Announced that she would be attending the meeting on the State Fair Exhibit on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. She asked if anyone had any ideas for her to take to the meeting. Mayor Strack confirmed that the City has in previous years contributed \$200 towards the Exhibit. He asked if the Council wished to contribute the same amount this year. By consensus of the Council, the City will contribute \$200 towards this year's State Fair Exhibit.

**Linnet:** Reported that he had found more graffiti (behind Napa and the motel near it) and is working on getting it covered this week.

**Strack:** Stated that Jerry Wolverton reported that people were beginning to speed again on Fig Lane. He stated that the extra patrols and Police visibility worked well for a time, but they are starting to do it again. He asked if it was possible for whatever was previously done to be done again.

**N. ADJOURNMENT!: 7:48 p.m.**

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**Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk**