

Mt. Shasta City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Mt. Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder Street
Monday, March 9, 2015; 5:30 p.m.

Approved as submitted 3/23/2015

“Our mission is to maintain the character of our “small town” community while striking an appropriate balance between economic development and preservation of our quality of life. We help create a dynamic and vital City by providing quality, cost-effective municipal services and by forming partnerships with residents and organizations in the constant pursuit of excellence.”

Item	STANDING AGENDA ITEMS
1. Call to Order and Flag Salute	At the hour of 5:35 p.m. Mayor Geoffrey Harkness called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call	Councilmembers Present: Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness Councilmembers Absent: None
3. Special Presentations & Announcements: None.	
4. Public Comment:	Discussion was undertaken between members of the audience and City Council regarding when billing on City water meters would commence, maintenance of and responsibility for malfunctioning water meters, the type and strength of meter reading equipment, battery life, state mandates in spring-fed communities, opt out timeframes, options available for multi-family properties, and fees associated with an opt out election. An update of LED light replacement in the City was requested, as well as the status of the City’s proposed oversight of Parker Plaza. Suggestions were made to bring to Council in future agendas the issue of coliform in City water, and loans/grants for the new interceptor sewer line. Support was voiced for Crystal Geysers as a source of additional jobs and economic development in the area. Issues concerning turnaround time for City approval of Special Event Applications were brought to Council’s attention.
5. Meeting Recess – None Taken	
6. Council and Staff Comments	City Manager Paul Eckert reported that the next Coffee with Council is scheduled for May 28, 2015 at 7:30 a.m. The City of Mt. Shasta is working with Mountain Runners to assume oversight of Parker’s Plaza, with Mountain Runners retaining the option to determine how it is

managed.

Mr. Eckert reported that the coliform found in the City's water system is not, in itself, harmful but can be an indicator of something else present. The Supervisor of Public Works has been diligently tracing and eradicating sources where samples proved positive.

Mayor Pro Tem Collings announced that no decisions have been made on the LED lighting other than installing more "yellow" test lights.

Mayor Harkness encouraged the citizens of Mt. Shasta to attend the upcoming Water Talks presentation on Tuesday, March 10th, as the presentation would address many of the questions asked during Public Comment.

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

7. Consent Agenda - The City Manager recommends approval of the following Consent Agenda items. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this agenda, or added hereto, shall be introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof is hereby waived.
 - a. Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2015 Special City Council Meeting
 - b. Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
 - c. Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes:
ATC Special Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2015
ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2015
 - d. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 2/5/15, 2/6/15, 2/19/15; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 2/4/15 and 2/18/15 (Finance Director)
 - e. Monthly Finance/Investment Report – January 31, 2015 – Finance Director
 - f. 2014-2015 2nd Quarter Financial Report (Under Separate Cover) – Finance Director
 - g. Approve Resolution No. CCR-15-05 RE: Approving a Maintenance Services Agreement with Dunsmuir Fire Department for Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Services.
 - h. Approve Resolution No. CCR-15-06 RE: Approving a Maintenance Services Agreement with Castella Fire Protection District for Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Services.

MOTION to approve consent agenda item 7(a) Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2015 Special City Council Meeting; 7(b) Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting; 7(c) Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes: ATC Special Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2015; ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2015; 7(d) Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 2/5/15, 2/6/15, 2/19/15;

Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 2/4/15 and 2/18/15 (Finance Director).

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns, with one correction on the ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2015, Item 6 – Midtown Trail Update (last sentence in second paragraph under Discussion) in which the word “date” should read “data.”

MOTION to accept consent agenda items with correction on ATC Minutes of January 16, 2015:

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns

Second by: Councilmember Burns

4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

MOTION to approve consent agenda item 7(e) Monthly Finance/Investment Report – January 31, 2015 – Finance Director; 7(f) 2014-2015 2nd Quarter Financial Report (Under Separate Cover) – Finance Director; 7(g) Approve Resolution No. CCR-15-05 RE: Approving a Maintenance Services Agreement with Dunsmuir Fire Department for Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Services; 7(h) Approve Resolution No. CCR-15-06 RE: Approving a Maintenance Services Agreement with Castella Fire Protection District for Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Services.

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns with edits made by Deputy City Clerk

Second by: Councilmember Burns

4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

8. Discussion of alternatives for opt-out for water meter installation project.

Background: Council will discuss alternatives for implementing an “opt out” program for those residents who do not wish to have the Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) type water meter installed at their property.

Report By: Public Works Director

Council Action: For discussion

9. 2014-2015 Mid-Year (2nd Quarter) Budget Revisions – Resolution CCR-15-07 RE: Adopting a Revised Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

Background: Each year the City staff performs a review of the mid-year budget picture and makes revisions to its projections for revenues and expenditures for the balance of the year.

Staff Report: Finance Director

Council Action: Adopt Resolution CCR-15-07

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns

Second by: Councilmember Burns

4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

10. Approval of a Resolution authorizing a letter of opposition to be sent to Siskiyou County Treasurer-Tax Collector

Background: The Council is asked to take action to oppose the tax sale of assessment #057-551-400-000 and request that the County enter into an agreement for the City of Mt. Shasta to purchase the parcel for \$900.00.

Report by: Finance Director

Council Action: Approve Resolution

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns

Second by: Councilmember Burns

4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

CITY COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTING PERIOD

11. Council Reports on Attendance at Appointed/Outside Meetings

Mayor Harkness attended the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) meeting which is comprised of one member of each stakeholder group in the region. The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2015. Discussion will focus on the last round of Proposition 84 funding of approximately \$4 million that is currently available, with project review and adoption of new projects to be given top priority by this coordinating council.

The City of Mt. Shasta, a beneficiary of \$3 million in grant money in 2014, is preparing three (3) new projects for submission to IRWM, with reports to Council on those projects anticipated in April.

12. Future Agenda Items (Appearing on the agenda within 60-90 days):

- a. Centennial Park Easement Update – 5/2015
- b. Mid-Town Trail update by ATC Chair Person – 4/2015
- c. Water conservation communication efforts – 3/2015
- d. Recreation and Parks and City Land exchange – 5/2015
- e. Commercial Recycling Oversight Requirements – 4/2015
- f. Annual updates from Chairperson of Council appointed committees – 4/2015
- g. Process associated with the establishments of water utility rates to be implemented in 2016 – 6/2015

13. Adjourn

There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Harkness at the hour of 8:16 p.m.