

Mt. Shasta City Council Regular City Council Meeting DRAFT Minutes

City Park Upper Lodge 1315 Nixon Road, Mt. Shasta
Monday, March 27, 2017; 5:30 p.m.
Approved as Submitted

“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.”

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order and Flag Salute: At the hour of 5:30 p.m. Mayor Kathy Morter called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Stearns, Stackfleth, Wagner, Morter
Council Members Absent: Engstrom

3. Special Presentations & Announcements:

a. Proclamation – Earth Day

Mayor Morter read the Proclamation declaring Earth Day in the City of Mt. Shasta.

b. Proclamation – Sisson Heritage Day

Mayor Morter and Daniel Parkin presented and read the Proclamation declaring April 2nd as Sisson Heritage Day in the City of Mt. Shasta.

4. Public Comment:

Andy Fusso – Supporting Earth Day Proclamation and events.

5. Meeting Recess: None

6. Council and Staff Comments:

Bruce Pope, City Manager – Comments regarding library tour and County/City meeting regarding the Landing.

Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem – Comments regarding adding more detail to the minutes.

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

7. Consent Agenda:

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved 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: March 13, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting

b. Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes: Beautification Committee February 8, 2017; Downtown Enhancement Advisory Committee March 15, 2017; Active Transportation Committee February 17, 2017

c. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable, 3/9 and 3/16; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 3/12/17. (Finance Director)

d. Monthly Financial/Investment Report (Finance Director)

e. Resolution CCR-17-17 Outlining City Support for Earth Day Cleanup Activities

f. Resolution CCR-17-18 Expressing Support for the Siskiyou Arts Council

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mayor Pro Tem Stearns

SECOND: Councilmember Stackfleth

AYES: Councilmembers Stearns, Stackfleth, Wagner, Mayor Morter

NOES: None

ABSENT: Engstrom

ABSTAIN: None

8. Beautification Report

Committee members Lorie Saunders and Pamela Neronha presented the report.

Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem – Expressed support for the Committee, questions regarding Beautification Awards.

Discussion regarding Centennial Park.

Kathy Morter, Mayor – Comments regarding flower basket program.

COUNCIL ACTION: No action, informational only.

9. Prop 218 Process and Rate Study Discussion

Bruce Pope, City Manager – Staff report.

John Kenny, City Attorney – Review of Proposition 218 process.

John Stackfleth, Councilmember – Comments regarding the rate studies and what happens if the rates fail.

Barbara Wagner, Councilmember – Comments regarding charges to those in the sphere of influence, maintenance, construction of wastewater, protest votes.

Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem – Comments regarding rate studies and standards, citations and penalties incurred by the City, rate calculations.

Kathy Morter, Mayor – Comments regarding timeline, ballot counting, and where the money will be going. Council discussion.

Jack Phillips – Comments regarding maintenance of the system and diversion of funds.

John Kennedy – Comments regarding the fairness of the rates.

Paul Reuter, PACE Engineer – Discussion regarding water and wastewater differences.

Council discussion.

John Kenny, City Attorney – Comments regarding ‘lifeline’ rates to assist with financial hardship.

Dancing Everbother – Comments regarding separating maintenance and capital cost.

Deborah Cardenas – Comments regarding businesses and renter’s ability to protest.

Peggy Risch – Comments regarding the 218 process and adequacy of rate studies, previous rate studies.

Muriel Howarth-Terrell, Finance Director – Comments regarding previous rate study.

Recess: 7:12 p.m. – 7:23 p.m.

Paul Reuter, PACE Engineer – Discussion and presentation of draft rate study.

Clarifying questions from Council.

John Stackfleth, Councilmember – Comments regarding maintenance fund and water system financing.

Barbara Wagner, Councilmember – Comments regarding Infiltration and inflow (I & I) and inclusion of residential factors in pricing approach.

Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem – Comments regarding Federal funding and water rate, future projects.

John Stackfleth, Councilmember – Comments regarding water system costs.

Jack Phillips – Comments regarding user fees and public facilities and the request for sunset dates.

Roslyn McCoy – Comments regarding spring water and fairness to well-owners, money spent to date.

John Kennedy – Comments regarding charging higher rates. Questions on business rates, emergency rates, and modification rates. Request a business sewer rate charge.

Pam Neronha – Comments regarding City properties with only water or only sewer connection.

Dan Axelrod – Comments regarding industrial rates and industrial users, connection fees and Crystal Geysers.

Peggy Risch – Crystal Geyser wastewater projections.

Vicki Gold – Comments regarding 2007 rate study, visitors dumping wastewater.
Paul Reuter, PACE Engineer – Addressed questions, explaining timeline for fees, 2007 rate study, upgrade and maintenance of wastewater treatment plant, clarification of business rate and how parcels on wells will be treated. Comments regarding Crystal Geyser connection fees.

COUNCIL ACTION: Adopt CCR-17-22 and CCR-17-23

MOTION TO APPROVE: Councilmember Stackfleth

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Stearns

AYES: Councilmembers Stearns, Stackfleth, Mayor Morter

NOES: Councilmember Wagner

ABSENT: Engstrom

ABSTAIN: None

CITY COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTING PERIOD

10. Council Reports on Attendance at Appointed/Outside Meetings:

John Stackfleth, Councilmember – Rate Study Ad Hoc Committee meeting, Downtown Enhancement Activities Committee.

Barbara Wagner, Councilmember – Active Transportation Committee.

Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem – Parklet discussion.

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

COUNCIL ACTION: Reviewed Items a through s.

- a. Smoking District – 4/10/17
- b. Library Tax Advisory Committee Report – 4/10/17
- c. Librarian Report – 4/10/17
- d. Broadband Ad Hoc Committee – 4/10/17
- e. Strategic Plan Workshop – 4/12/2017
- f. Cannabis Dispensary Ordinance – 4/24/17
- g. Orchard Annexation Timeline – 4/24/17
- h. Mt. Shasta Resort Reclaimed Water Agreement – 4/24/17
- i. Design Immunity Amendments – 5/8/17
- j. Broadband Work Plan Update – 5/8/17
- k. 2017/2018 Budget Discussion – 5/8/17
- l. Active Transportation Committee Report – 5/8/17
- m. Award Sidewalk Improvement Project – 5/22/17
- n. Rate Study Prop 218 Process – 6/2017 (Tentative)
- o. Lighting Ordinance – 6/12/17
- p. City Council/Recreation & Parks Board Joint Meeting – 5/16/17
- q. Historic Preservation Committee - TBD
- r. Advisory Committee/Planning Commission Interview Selection Process - TBD
- s. Crystal Geyser Industrial User Permit – TBD

Items added to future agenda: Landing Development Sewer Plan, Special Event Waiver.

12. Closed Session: None

13. Adjourn: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Kathryn M. Wilson, Administrative Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

