

## Mt. Shasta City Council Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Mt. Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder Street

Monday, March 28, 2016; 5:30 p.m.

Approved as submitted April 11, 2016

“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
1. Call to Order and Flag Salute: At the hour of 5:38 p.m. Mayor Jeffrey Collings called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call: Council Members Present: Kathy Morter, Tim Stearns, Geoff Harkness, Mayor Jeffrey Collings, and Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr.
3. Special Presentations & Announcements:
4. Public Comment: <u>Forest O’Farrell</u> – Comments regarding previous City Council Regular meeting on March 14, 2016 and the ‘big picture.’ Comments regarding impact of plastics on the ecosystem. Comments regarding the concept of ‘do no harm.’ <u>Jeanne Turner</u> – Comments regarding concern over City water service fee indicated in a letter. Would like to know what the fee money is being used for. Comments regarding concern about the impact of fees on business. Would like to know if the high school water is metered. <u>Sarah Jewett</u> — Comment regarding idea of having Police on bikes. Question about what the water service fee is for. Comment regarding EIR and that it should be paid for by Crystal Geysers. Requested that a roof be put over the ice skating rink. <u>John Kennedy</u> – Comment indicating appreciation of presentation at the City Council Regular meeting on March 14, 2016. Comments regarding newspaper article about Crystal Geysers and the EIR. <u>Roslyn McCoy</u> — Comment regarding delivery cost, meter cost, and charges for equipment related to the water service fee. Concern about legality of the charge. Comments regarding newspaper article and the presentation at the City Council Regular meeting on March 14, 2016. <u>Vicki Gold</u> – Comment clarifying comments made at the City Council Regular meeting on March 14, 2016. Requested that the City and the County do a joint EIR. <u>Frank Toriello</u> – Comments regarding the City Council Regular meeting on March 14, 2016 presentation. Concerned about use of Crystal Geysers website content in presentation.
5. Meeting Recess: None
6. Council & Staff Comments: <u>Paul Eckert, City Manager</u> – Comment indicating that the Deputy City Clerk and Public Works Supervisor are leaving their positions. <u>Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director</u> – Comment regarding water meter rates and the letter sent to residents. Indicated that the letter provided information as an example of

charges that may occur and should not be used to calculate actual costs. Indicated that costs will be determined after a rate study is completed.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – Comments regarding how the water meter process will move forward with assessing costs. Question related to public discussion of costs.

Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director – Comment indicating that repairs, staff, and meters are not included in costs. Indicated that there will be public discussion and that Proposition 218 will be followed.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Comments regarding plastic concerns. Encouraged residents to consider the dialogue at state and higher levels of government. Comment regarding the use of plastic bags going onto the ballot sometime in November.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. – Encouraged everyone to read the letter regarding water rates very carefully.

Councilmember Kathy Morter – Comments regarding the water rate letter and the benefit of being able to analyze month to month water use. Comment regarding potential opportunities to have conversations and explore potential solutions to issues in additional venues. Comment regarding understanding of the small town community character.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – Comment indicating that the high school field / Shastice Park is on its own well.

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: March 14, 2016 City Council Regular Meeting Draft Minutes.
- b. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: for 2/29/16, 3/10/16, 3/16/16, 3/17/16; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 3/16/16 (Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director)
- c. Monthly Investment and Financial Report for the Period Ending February 29, 2016 (Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director)
- d. Resolution CCR-16-10 Streamlining Minor Property Acquisitions (Rod Bryan, Public Works Director)

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve item 7 a-d. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this item were introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof was waived.

MOTION: Councilmember Tim Stearns

SECOND: Councilmember Kathy Morter

AYES: Councilmember Kathy Morter, Councilmember Tim Stearns, Councilmember Geoff Harkness, Mayor Jeffrey Collings, and Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. City Council Discussion of Crystal Geyser & the Waste Water Treatment Plant

Public Comment:

Roslyn McCoy – Comment indicating confusion over title of the item. Comments regarding

the application coming without cost of processing documents. Comment regarding last Bruce Hillman – Comment regarding past EIR conversations, County conditional use permit comments, and lack of full project description.

Vicki Gold – Question regarding who will do the initial study, will the public be able to give input, and who the other significant agencies are. Suggested that the City and County do a joint EIR. Requested that the Board of Supervisors hold a hearing / meeting in the City limits to insure public participation.

Mayor Jeffrey Collings – Comment indicating that no one has been selected to do the initial study yet and that the responsible agencies are unknown.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Suggested that the diagrams from the Mayor’s presentation be put on the City website.

Quin McDowell- Question regarding the criteria for impact.

Mayor Jeffrey Collings – Comment regarding criteria and case law concerning similar issues. Comment regarding CEQA code and their guidelines being taken into consideration.

9. Resolution CCR-16-14 Permitting Residents to Participate in the California Statewide Communities Development Authority

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve Resolution CCR-16-14. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this item were introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof was waived.

MOTION: Councilmember Tim Stearns

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr.

AYES: All

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Public Comment:

Sarah Jewett – Question regarding application for energy efficient projects and the interest rate.

Staff & City Council Comments:

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Comment indicating a variety of potential projects being covered and tax benefits.

Councilmember Kathy Morter – Asked if it would be possible to do a press release and use other methods for distributing information to the public about the program. Question regarding if local providers are participating.

Paul Eckert, City Manager - Comment indicating that information about the program will be shared with the public. Local providers are participating.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. – Question regarding replacement versus new installation. Question regarding the timeline for paying money back. Question regarding if businesses can participate.

Paul Eckert, City Manager – Comment indicating that that replacement or new installation is covered. Comment indicating that the timeline for paying money back changes with

structure. Comment indicating that businesses can apply.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – Question regarding if the program is similar to the Ygrene program for solar.

Paul Eckert, City Manager – Comment indicating that the program is similar to Ygrene.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. – Question regarding when the program expires.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Comment indicating that there may be a sunset date if there are tax incentives.

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

Councilmember Tim Stearns - Attended the 'Home Town Competitiveness' meeting and a meeting regarding Broadband with several community representatives.

Councilmember Kathy Morter – Attended the DEAC meeting, the 'First Impressions Meeting' with team leaders who confirmed that the next meeting is (4/11), an 'Engaging the Whole Community' session, and 'Quality of Life' meeting.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – Attended a 'Ground Water Elevation Study' meeting and a City Council procedure meeting with staff and the Mayor.

At 7:33 PM Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. left the meeting.

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

- Expanding Downtown Business District – 4/11/16
- Strategic Plan Status Update – 4/24/16
- Impact Fees Potential Changes – 4/24/16
- Alternatives for Capital Improvements Project – 4/24/2016
- Mt. Shasta Recreation & Parks District Meeting – 4/24/16
- Noise Ordinance – 4/24/16
- Sisson Heritage Day – 5/9/16
- Internship Program – 5/9/16
- Fire Prevention & Environment – 5/9/16
- Land Use Management Plan of City Owned Properties (City Springs & Westside of The Landing) – 5/23/16
- Orchard Property Annexation – 5/23/16
- Streamlining Solar Project – 5/23/16
- Presentation Regarding Potential Forest Service Use of Treated Effluent for Fire Suppression & Dust Control – 6/13/16
- Update on the Landing & Brownfields – 6/13/16

The following items were requested to be added:

\*Hero Resolution

The following items were removed:

\* Strategic Plan Status Update

12. Closed Session Item: None.

13. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.