

Mt. Shasta City Council Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Mt. Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder Street

Monday, November 23, 2015; 5:30 p.m.

Amended and 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.”

Item
1. Call to Order and Flag Salute: At the hour of 5:32 p.m. Mayor Geoff Harkness called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call: Council Members Present: Kathy Morter, Tim Stearns, Mayor Pro Tem Jeffrey Collings, and Mayor Geoff Harkness. Council Members Absent: Councilmember Mike Burns Sr. was absent until 5:55 PM.
3. Special Presentations & Announcements: None
4. Public Comment: None
5. Meeting Recess: None
6. Council and Staff Comments <u>Paul Eckert, City Manager</u> – Thank you to current City Council and Mayor for service during 2015; Update on attendance at an Economic Conference in Sacramento last week; LED project progress update. <u>Rod Bryan, Public Works Director</u> – Wastewater improvement project is now in the public comment phase. Public comment is from November 25, 2015 – January 8 th , 2016. Materials are currently available to the public for review on the City’s website. There will be an informational meeting for the public at the Regular City Council Meeting on December 14, 2015. After receiving comments, in January – February responses to comments will be prepared. Materials such as the proposed environmental document, will be presented to City Council in a February meeting. <u>Mayor Geoff Harkness</u> – Question to Rod Bryan regarding the scope of the project concerning the environmental report and its existence being state mandated. <u>Rod Bryan, Public Works Director</u> – Response to Mayor Geoff Harkness indicating that the project is state mandated and for the entire waste water treatment plant. <u>Councilmember Tim Stearns</u> – Announcement that Mike Quinn is a new Active Transportation Committee Member (ATC). Thank you to Mike Quinn for volunteering. Happy Thanksgiving. <u>Mayor Pro Tem Jeffrey Collings</u> – There was a broadband & fiber meeting in Dunsmuir. Will cover this topic toward end of meeting. <u>Councilmember Kathy Morter</u> – Thank you to City staff and volunteers for being open to work collaboratively. Question to Rod Bryan about securing a wood chipper at the Landing and use of chipper in previous years. <u>Rod Bryan, Public Works Director</u> – The City does not own a wood chipper. One was used by the City during a winter emergency several years ago (2009).

Mayor Geoff Harkness – Request update from Rod Bryan concerning street light malfunction in the City.

Rod Bryan, Public Works Director – The equipment was fried and over 20 lights were affected, as well as the City clock. Public Works is receiving an estimate for making repairs.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Requested that Traffic Engineering Study be reviewed to determine necessity of street lights as opposed to other alternatives for traffic control.

Mayor Geoff Harkness – Request report back on City Lights. Request update on Green Belt and noise ordinance from Kristen Maze, City Planner.

Kristen Maze, City Planner – Waiting on title search for Green Belt and continuing research on noise ordinance.

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: November 9, 2015 City Council Regular Meeting Draft Minutes.
- b. Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes: October 27th, 2015 Downtown Enhancement Committee Regular Meeting Minutes.
- c. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 11/04/15 and 11/10/2015; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 11/10/2015 (Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director)
- d. Monthly Finance/Investment Report – October 31,2015 (Muriel Howarth Terrell, Finance Director)

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved agenda item number 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: All

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. City Council to nominate 2016 Mayor & Mayor Pro Tem

COUNCIL ACTION: Nominate the 2016 City of Mt. Shasta Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.

MOTION: Councilmember Tim Stearns motioned to nominate Jeffrey Collings as the 2016 City of Mt. Shasta Mayor. Councilmember Kathy Morter motioned to nominate Mike Burns Sr. as the 2016 Mayor Pro Tem.

SECOND: Councilmember Kathy Morter seconded the motion to nominate Jeffrey Collings as the 2016 City of Mt. Shasta Mayor. Mayor Harkness seconded the motion to nominate Mike Burns Sr. as the 2016 City of Mt. Shasta Mayor Pro Tem.

AYES: All

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. R1 Zone

COUNCIL ACTION: As the R1 Ordinance that was presented at the October 26, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting did not reflect the Ordinance the Planning Commission recommended for approval, City Council is asked to decide if the correct ordinance warrants a public hearing. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this item were introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof was waived.

City Council Comment:

Councilmember Kathy Morter – In favor of having this topic revisited due to ordinance discrepancies and to uphold the Planning Commission work. The Planning Commission crafted the ordinance and the correct one should be heard.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Not in favor of having this topic revisited as the ordinance discrepancy does not change his decision.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – In favor of having this topic revisited due to ordinance discrepancies and to follow procedural processes.

Mayor Jeffrey Collings – Not in favor of having this topic revisited as the ordinance discrepancy does not change his decision.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. – Is in favor of having this topic revisited based off of the Planning Commission’s work, however revisiting the topic will not necessarily change his vote made at the Regular City Council Meeting on October 26, 2015.

Public Comment:

Afa Garrigan – Residents in favor of having the zone amendment are not stepping forward to speak, because they are concerned about retaliation from those in the community that are not in favor.

MOTION: Councilmember Geoff Harkness motioned to have a public hearing to hear correct ordinance.

SECOND: Councilmember Kathy Morter

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr.

NOES: Mayor Jeffrey Collings and Councilmember Tim Stearns

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. Water Meter Project Update

COUNCIL ACTION: None needed.

11. Financial / Dashboard

COUNCIL ACTION: None needed.

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

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Attended a meeting in Dunsmuir regarding broadband and Fiber with Mayor Jeffrey Collings. Attended Downtown Enhancement Advisory Committee Special Meetings to help coordinate the ‘Snowflake Event’ and ‘Chili Cook off.’

Councilmember Kathy Morter – Attended Downtown Enhancement Advisory Committee Special Meetings to help coordinate the ‘Tutu Race.’ Attended the Beautification Committee Meeting.

Councilmember Geoff Harkness – Attended an update on the State Mandated Waste Water Treatment Plant with Mayor Jeffrey Collings.

Mayor Jeffrey Collings – Attended a broadband & Fiber meeting in Dunsmuir with Councilmember Tim Stearns.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Burns Sr. – Will be attending the LTC meeting on Dec. 1st.

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

- Audit – 12/14/2015
- Fiber & Broadband – 12/14/2015
- City Committee & Planning Commission Selection - TBD
- Emergency Operation & Snow Plan Overview (Fire & Police) – 12/14/2015
- Annual Mid-Year Budget Adjustments – 12/14/2015
- Alternatives For Funding Capital Improvement Projects - 1/11/2016
- Downtown Business District Boundaries – 1/11/2016
- Noise Ordinance – 1/11/2016
- Update on the Landing & Brownfields – 1/25/2016
- Special Meeting with Recreation Department – 2/2016
- Presentation Regarding Potential Forest Service Use of Treated Effluent for Fire Suppression & Dust Control – 2/22/2016
- State Mandates Waste Water Plant Update – 2/22/2016
- Fire Prevention & Environment – 3/14/2016

Mayor Jeffrey Collings – Request State Mandated Waster Water Update on 12/14, and move Fiber & Broadband to after Jan 1. Questioned when R1 will return to the agenda.

Paul Eckert, City Manager – Comment that R1 will at least need to be in the 2nd meeting January.

Councilmember Tim Stearns – Request update on the ‘Orchard Property Annexation.’

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Burns Sr. – Request update on the Nest.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.