

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of October 28, 2013

Patrick Crew, Mayor
Wayne Garibaldi
Marilyn Lewis
Keith Sweet
Connie Gonsalves, Vice-Mayor

Michael Daly, City Manager
Scott Morrison, Police Chief
Mark Morton, Fire Chief
Gisele Cangelosi, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Crew called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Lewis and unanimously carried to approve the City Council Agenda dated October 28, 2013 as presented.

2. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- a. Approval of Minutes of September 9, 2013 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of October the amount of \$180,394.51.

Moved by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Police Chief Morrison reported the Department was ready for the upcoming Special Events in November.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. Public Notices for ACES rate increase were mailed Thursday, October 24. The notice had an error, Residential Service 96-Gal. Weekly Pick-up proposed rate is \$18.01 not \$19.01 this correction will be posted on the City website. To date one letter of protest has been received. The public hearing is scheduled for the December 9 City Council meeting
2. Special Event Argonaut High School Big Game Rally is Wednesday, November 6.
3. Special Event Permit – Lions Club Halloween Parade is Thursday, October 31.
4. Special Event Permit – American Legion Post 108 Veterans Day Parade is Monday, November 11.
5. Staff received a comment letter from JVID regarding the Wastewater Permit renewal. Staff and Stantec are preparing a letter to send to the Regional Board to clarify some of the information included in their letter. The Regional Board hearing is scheduled for December 5 or 6.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported he attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported she helped with the Vista Point Bulb Planting this weekend.

Councilmember Sweet reported the Vista Point Bulb Planting was held this weekend with great community support with a total of 10,000 bulbs planted between the two days. Next year another 10,000 bulbs will be planted.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

For the record: Action minutes provide the necessary documentation of City Council actions and audio recordings are retained for those desiring more detail on particular agenda item discussion. These audio recordings provide an accurate and comprehensive backup of City council deliberations and citizen discussion.

6. Amendment to Side Letter Agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding with Jackson Police Officers Association.

City Manager Daly reported the City of Jackson has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement with the Jackson Police Officers Association defining the salaries, benefits, working conditions and other terms of employment. The City is required to meet and confer with its represented employees to arrive at the terms ultimately approved by the City Council defining these areas.

The MOU with the Police Officers Association was modified effective July 1, 2009, to implement cost saving measures necessary to minimize the possibility of layoffs. This "Side Letter Agreement" included salary freezes, employee pension contribution increases and a reduction in the retiree medical insurance benefit allowance. The general employees group represented by SEIU Local 1021 opted to update their MOU rather than adopt another side letter agreement. The provided agreement with the Police Officers Association focuses in two areas, and leaves another key area as it was changed last year. The main benefit to the officers is that the salary step increases that were frozen will be granted during FY 2013-14. This will impact three of the six employees this fiscal year. In addition, the agreement calls for an additional one percent contribution to the employee PERS payment by the employee (increasing from 4.5% to 5.5%) and the medical insurance premium contribution paid by the City will remain capped at \$1,492 per month, requiring employees to contribute anything over this amount. One other minor adjustment was allowing employees to bank the number of hours worked on a holiday, removing the cap of 8 hours per holiday since they may work a ten or twelve hour shift. The agreement does not include any other increases in compensation (no cost of living adjustment or change in other benefits) and is effective until July 1, 2014. Staff met with their representative today and a couple minor revisions were discussed, the revised copy was provided for consideration.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Crew closed the public discussion.

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff the following motion was made.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves and unanimously carried to pass a motion ratifying the attached Side Letter Agreement between the City of Jackson and the Jackson Police Officers Association for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 as amended.

7. Amendment of Measure E Funding Agreement with Amador County Recreation Agency.

City Manager Daly reported in July 2013, the Amador County Recreation Agency (ACRA) was awarded a \$4,000 grant of Measure E transient occupancy tax funds by the City Council to host two

concerts at their "Hub" facility in the Krabbenhoft building on Main Street (above Hein & Co. Books and TSPN). After ACRA staff recently reviewed this concept and the evolving use of the Hub, it did not fit in with their current programming and they have requested a change in the use of the funds they were granted. As the Measure E Funds are to be used for tourism, economic development and downtown revitalization, the ACRA staff has proposed an amendment to the original approved use of funds to host a "Santa's Workshop" at the Hub. This will be a staffed workshop that will allow parents to drop off their children and shop in downtown Jackson during the holidays. The Workshop is scheduled to open on the Friday after Thanksgiving during Christmas Delights, then continue each Saturday before December 25. Free if parent spends \$100 with any down town merchant. A letter from the current ACRA Administrator, Carolyn Fregulia, was provided detailing the overall concept and use of the funds. City staff has reviewed the ACRA proposal and feels that is consistent with the use of the funds and should help to bring move shoppers to Main Street during the upcoming holiday shopping season.

Carolyn Fregulia, ACRA Administer, was present to answer questions of the City Council. She explained the Jackson Business and Community Association (JBCA) have been invited to join in this endeavor and they have agreed to jointly promote this event. This workshop will be free if parent spends \$100 with any down town merchant. The fee will be covered by the JBCA. Staff was working on a ticket that parents would present to the merchants to record their purchases. ACRA is trying to turn the Hub into a community center.

City Manager Daly stated he attended the ACRA's HUB open house for the after school art program on Thursday, October 17 and there were twenty five 6 graders in attendance. There was a great turnout for the open house and it is a great facility.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Crew closed the public discussion.

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff the following motion was made.

Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi, seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves and unanimously carried to pass a motion approving a request from ACRA to modify the purpose of a grant of Measure E funds from two concerts at the Hub at 206 N. Main Street (Krabbenhoft building) to a Santa's Workshop activity designed to attract shoppers to downtown Jackson.

9. Adjournment:

Adjourn 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:



Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: November 12, 2013