

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of June 9, 2014

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

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marilyn Lewis

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Sweet, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Councilmember Lewis absent) to approve the City Council Agenda dated June 9, 2014 as presented. Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Crew, Garibaldi, Gonsalves, Sweet
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None

2. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- a. Approval of Minutes of May 27, 2014 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of June the amount of \$83,943.09.
- c. Approval of Salary related items for May amount of \$271,340.28.
- d. Receive Jackson Fire Department Monthly Report for May 2014.
- e. Receive Jackson Police Department Monthly Report for May 2014.
- f. Receive Building Department Monthly Report for May 2014.
- g. Approve Lions Club Fireworks Sales Booth Changes.

Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi, seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Councilmember Lewis absent) to approve the Consent Calendar as amended except for.

**Councilmember Sweet abstained on the approval of Check 1716 in the amount of \$606.57.
Mayor Crew abstained on the approval of Check 1678 in the amount of \$2,764.89.**

Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Crew, Garibaldi, Gonsalves, Sweet
NOES: Crew
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Fire Chief Morton reported on the following:

1. Jackson Fire Department in May 2014 responded to 117 calls last month, 81 medical calls, 11 public assists, 7 fire related, 0 hazardous materials, 12 traffic accidents and 25 of the calls or 23 percent were outside of the city limits for automatic aid to the AFPD.
2. Attended the Annual Italian Benevolent Society's Parade on June 7.
3. The Firefighters Burn Institute hosted a "meet and greet" last night at the National Hotel. Members of the fire department and City Council were in attendance.

Police Chief Morrison reported on the following:

1. The Police Department responded to 750 for service for the month of May.

City Attorney Nelson reported the FPPC changed the Real Property Materiality Rules. Effective May 31, 2014, public officials can no longer rely on the old 500 foot property rule and the related "one-penny" rule when determining whether a property interest owned by a public official results in a disqualifying conflict of interest. The City Council was provided a memorandum on these rules.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. Austin Banton Society Car Show is scheduled for October 4 and there were two cars in Jackson today.
2. Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant funding for Oro de Amador should find out Thursday.
3. Last Thursday the City held Senior Building Inspector Larry White retirement luncheon. He retired after 16 years of employment with the City, he was a champion in what he did.
4. Staff working on the 2014-15 Preliminary Budget.
5. Wastewater issues will be on the next agenda.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported on the following:

1. Attended the Amador County Recreational Agency meeting.
2. Attended a play production put on by AmadorArts and ACRA's Children's Theatre.
3. Attended the Jackson Revitalization Committee meet held Thursday, May 8.
4. Will be attending the Amador County of Tourism meeting, Thursday, June 12.
5. Will be attending a meeting Police Department, Tuesday June 10 at 5:00 p.m.
6. Jackson Rotary will be weed eating the Vista Point this week.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported on the following:

1. Attended the Annual Italian Benevolent Society's Parade on June 7.
2. Will not be able to attend the Amador County of Tourism meeting.

Councilmember Sweet reported on the following:

1. Attended the Amador County Transportation Commission meeting.

2. The County is celebrating the 160th Amador County Birthday and holding a Barbeque at the Museum on June 21. There will be free tours of the museum and mine exhibit. Frank Tortorich will be giving a presentation.

Mayor Crew reported he attended the Annual Italian Benevolent Society's Parade on June 7.

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. Resolution Opposing the Closure of Schools in Jackson.

City Manager Daly at the May 27, 2014, City Council meeting, a group of citizens including Dale Haney, a City Councilmember from the City of Ione, presented information recently adopted by the Ione City Council due to concerns over the possible closure of Ione Junior High School and reducing the number of junior high schools in Amador County from two to one. The concerns expressed by the four speakers on this topic varied, but the unified concept they all shared was that the level of enrollment at schools goes up and down, and that schools are a critical element of the community.

The City of Jackson and ACUSD have enjoyed a cooperative relationship over the past decade, but the closure of schools has not been a topic of discussion. If a school were proposed to be closed or changed from a high school to a junior high school, it is likely that economic impacts to the City would result from this type of action. In addition, closure or changing a school can have significant impacts on the future economic development of a community. In order to address the issues relating to the possible closure or moving of ACUSD schools in Jackson, the Resolution 2014-22 was presented for consideration.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. The following individuals spoke regarding opposing the closure of schools in Jackson: Thornton Consolo, Dale Haney, Lisa Lucke, Paul Molinelli Jr. and Pat Holland spoke in support for a Resolution Opposing the Closure of Schools in Jackson. Hearing no further 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 Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Sweet, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Councilmember Lewis absent) to adopt Resolution No. 2014-22, urging the Amador County Unified School District Board of Directors to keep all schools open within the City of Jackson and Amador County. Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Crew, Garibaldi, Gonsalves, Sweet
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None

7. Sewer Rate Committee Appointments.

City Manager Daly reported at the last City Council meeting, a brief presentation was made relating to the improvements that are required in the City's 2013 NPDES wastewater discharge permit. Current estimates show that a bond in the \$12 million range will likely be required to complete this work.

Though interest rates from the State are currently 1.9% and available in terms up to 30 years, there are still significant cost ramifications to borrowing this much money or constructing the improvements being required. The City is using G. Aronow Consulting to prepare a rate study and help guide the City through the process of ensuring that a fair rate structure is proposed. Similar to previous rate increases, the City Council concurred that a rate committee would be an important part of this process.

Councilmembers Gonsalves and Sweet agreed at the last meeting to serve as City Council representatives on this committee, and the City Council requested them to bring back potential nominees for the committee at this meeting. After reviewing potential candidates and their backgrounds, the City Council representatives on the Sewer Rate Committee have recommended that Grant Reynolds (engineer), Thornton Consolo (resident) and Doug McElwee (Sutter Amador Hospital) would be a good fit for the needs of the committee and recommends that they be appointed.

The City's goal is for this committee to complete its work in early August to submit a recommendation to the City Council at the August 11, 2014, meeting. Meetings will comply with the Brown Act and be posted for anyone from the public to attend.

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 carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Councilmember Lewis absent) to appoint Grant Reynolds, Thornton Consolo and Doug McElwee to serve on the City's Sewer Rate Committee with Vice Mayor Gonsalves and Councilmember Sweet, and request that the committee complete its review for submittal to the City Council no later than the August 11, 2014 City Council meeting for consideration.
Motion passed with the following vote:**

AYES: Crew, Garibaldi, Gonsalves, Sweet
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None

8. FY 2014-15 Preliminary Budget Information.

City Manager Daly reported at the last City Council meeting, staff provided an overview of the budget process and some of the specific policy issues related to the FY 2014-15 City Budget. At this point, numbers are still in the review process and detailed figures for each fund were not ready for the agenda packet. Information related to the current fiscal health of this year's budget as well as projections for the funding for next year's budget and other organizational issues related to the staffing of various departments were discussed.

The full budget with adopting resolutions will be presented at the June 23, 2014 City Council meeting for consideration of approval. As soon as it is available, it will be provided to the City Council and published on the City's web site.

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

Informational only That the City Council accept a presentation from staff at the City Council meeting and provide direction to prepare the proposed FY 2014-15 City Budget.

9. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Public Employment. Title: City Inspector (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957).
- b. Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency Representative, Michael Daly, City Manager. Employee Organization: General Employee Unit, SEIU Local 1021 (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6).
- c. Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency Representative, Michael Daly, City Manager. Employee Organization: Jackson Police Officers Association (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6).
- d. Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency Representative, Michael Daly, City Manager. Employees: Full-time Fire Department. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reconvened to Open Session at 8:20 p.m. and announced no reportable action taken.

Adjourn 8:21 p.m.

ATTEST:



Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: June 23, 2014