

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of May 9, 2016

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

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

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

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

1. CEREMONIAL:

- a. Proclamation Honoring Sutter Amador Hospital as a Top Health System in the U.S. Mayor Sweet presented Ann Platt, CEO, the proclamation honoring Sutter Amador Hospital. Ann Platt thanked the City of Jackson for honoring the Sutter Amador Hospital staff.
- b. Accept Donation from Jackson Rotary Club for Mural Project at Tressler's. Mayor Sweet presented Irene Perbal, President, the proclamation honoring Jackson Rotary Club for their donation for the Mural Project at Tressler's. Irene Perbal thanked the City of Jackson for honoring the Jackson Rotary for their donation for the Mural Project at Tressler's.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

**Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to approve the City Council Agenda dated May 9, 2016 as presented.
Motion passed with the following vote:**

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

3. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Ron Ask stated his Dentist Office is located on the corner of French Bar and Highway 49. His concern was regarding the French Bar Bridge Project and subsequently widening French Bar. He requested City Council's assistance in this matter.

Mayor Sweet stated the City Council cannot take any action on this matter tonight. He has asked Councilmembers Crew and Garibaldi and staff to meet with both parties. Councilmember Garibaldi requested more information on this matter for their meeting.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- a. Approval of Minutes of April 25, 2016 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of April the amount of \$185,030.22.
- c. Approval of Salary related items for April in the amount of \$275,735.10.
- d. Receive Jackson Fire Department Monthly Report for April 2016.
- e. Receive Jackson Police Department Monthly Report for April 2016.

- f. Receive Building Department Monthly Report for April 2016.
- g. Approval of Farmers Market Agreement for Location in Front of Amador Public Library.
- h. Award of Bid - Backflow Testing Agreement.
- i. Special Event Application – Organ Rally, September 24 and 25, 2016.

Moved by Councilmember Crew seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to approve the Consent Calendar dated May 9, 2016 as presented except for: Motion passed with the following vote:

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

Mayor Sweet abstained on the approval of Check 5082 in the amount of \$64.35.
Mayor Sweet abstained on the approval of Check 5106 in the amount of \$606.57.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Fire Chief Morton reported on the following:

1. Jackson Fire Department responded to 144 calls last month, 112 medical calls, 17 public assists, 3 fire related, 1 hazardous materials, 11 traffic accidents and 29 of the calls or 21 percent were outside of the city limits for automatic aid to the AFPD.
2. The Department participated in the Parade 49 Days Parade on Main Street.
3. The Department will be participating in the Motherlode Cruise Car Show.

Police Chief Morrison reported on the following:

1. The Police Department responded to 676 calls for service in April.
2. Local man missing- search and rescue unfortunately found deceased.

City Attorney reported Governor Brown released a new Executive Order for Long-Term Water Planning regarding mandatory statewide water use restrictions in California that would be replaced by a more locally driven set of water conservation requirements. He will keep the City Council informed.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. The current residential conservation rate in Jackson is 39%.
2. Due to a power outage duplicate water and sewer bills were sent to some of our customers.
3. PG&E paving of North Main and Jackson Gate starts tomorrow.
4. Pool Registration began May 2, the schedules are available the City's website and City Hall.
5. City of Jackson population has been updated to 4902.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported the Need Assessment for the Amador County Recreation Agency will be submitted in the near future.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported on the following:

1. Rode in the 49 Days Parade on Main Street.
2. The Motherlode Cruise Car Show will be held Saturday, May 21.

Mayor Sweet reported on the following:

1. Mayor's Monthly meeting was held Tuesday, May 3 at City Hall.
2. Attended the State Assembly hearing regarding Argonaut Mine Dam Retrofit and 14r million was approved for the improvement to the dam.
3. Rode in the 49 Days Parade on Main Street.

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.

7. Parking Meter Removal – One Year Later.

City Manager Daly reported nearly 200 parking meters were taken off of the streets and parking lots on May 1, 2015. This followed the "bagging" of the meters courtesy of the Jackson Rancheria for a year on Main Street and free parking provided by the City starting on Memorial Day weekend, 2008. The merchants and customers both had the opportunity to comment on the meter removal. In general, most of the comments were positive. When the meters were removed from the downtown area one year ago, the poles that they were mounted were also removed to avoid any liability. The parking meters are now in a location awaiting a City Council policy decision on their possible future use. Since it has now been one year since their removal, this item is on the agenda to determine if the parking meters will be used again in Jackson. Most of the meters are still in working condition, but may require a new battery to operate. There has been some interest in the purchase of these meters by the public, and if this is allowed, a price should be established by the Council. A decision regarding the future of downtown parking and the possible use of meters is not required, however, as eight years is approaching it may be time to make this type of decision.

Police Chief Morrison reported 20 to 25 tickets are issued on Main Street on a monthly basis.

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

No action taken.

8. Budget Discussion.

City Manager Daly reported Department heads have submitted preliminary figures that are showing a fairly substantial increase in many of the costs associated with the services they provide. It is the intent of staff to provide draft numbers at the next meeting, with adoption scheduled for June 13. Some of these costs can be controlled, however, others such as the City PERS rates are not. PERS is expected to rise approximately 5% next year, and other line items are expected to rise. Revenues such as transient occupancy tax are also on the rise, so the net effect of these increases is one of the main objectives at this time. The wastewater enterprise fund will require additional focus this year, as the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) has generated a lot of attention by the State Regional Board. The City is going to separate the sewer treatment process (which will also be undergoing significant changes) from the collection process. The SSMP will receive funding from the same source as the treatment process (rates paid by customers) so there will be limitations to the SSMP program. Staff is looking at the use of

mitigation fees to allow some of these funds to be used. For the numbers at the end of March 2016 (three quarters of the fiscal year) the City is looking to be in good shape. Only a couple of departments are over budget, however, those are mainly due to significant payments (i.e., LAFCO) that were due earlier this year. Those sheets were provided for information purposes.

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

No action taken.

9. Measure E Funds Allocation Policy and Advisory Committee Appointments for FY 2016/17.

Mayor Sweet Following voter approval of Measure E in 2002, which increased the City's transient occupancy tax from 8% to 10%, the City Council appointed a committee to assist with the review of funding requests submitted primarily by local organizations for use of the additional revenue generated by this tax for the purposes specified by the City Council: Tourism and business promotion, economic development, and downtown revitalization. The original committee included local business representatives, lodging owners and a City Council member. The current committee of five includes Vice Mayor Connie Gonsalves, Stan Lukowicz, Tom Peyton, Paul Molinelli Jr., and Atul Patel. The committee only meets once or twice per year to review Measure E funding requests and to provide a recommendation to the City Council. There are no term lengths associated with the seats on this committee and appointments have only been made in the past when vacancies occur. All five current members confirmed their interest to assist the City in the review of the requests for funding this year. Appointments on this committee are discretionary by the City Council and there is no set number of committee members or qualifications to be appointed to the committee. No other changes are recommended.

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

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff, it was the consensus of the City Council to reappoint Vice Mayor Connie Gonsalves, Stan Lukowicz, Tom Peyton, Paul Molinelli Jr., and Atul Patel to serve on the Measure E Advisory Committee for FY 2016/2017.

10. Letter of Support for National Priorities List (NPL) for Argonaut Mine area.

City Manager Daly reported the City of Jackson has been working with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on clean-up of the properties located where the Argonaut Mine operated from the 1850s until 1942. It operated similarly to the Kennedy Mine, but once it shut down it was not remediated in any way. The recent involvement of the EPA and DTSC in the process have resulted in an application to the federal government to have the site listed on the National Priorities List (NPL). As described in the provided press release, adding the site to the NPL would be a critical step in developing a plan for this site. The provided letter was drafted to support EPA's proposal. Any letters of support or otherwise must be submitted within the 60 day comment period, which officially ends on June 7, 2016.

Mayor Sweet opened the public discussion. The following individuals spoke regarding the Letter of Support for the NPL for Argonaut Mine: Casey Emerson and Cecily Smith. Hearing no further comments from the public, Mayor Sweet closed the public discussion.

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

Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi, seconded by Councilmember Crew, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to approve sending the Letter of Support for Environmental Protection Agency's letter of support for the National Priorities List (NPL) for Argonaut Mine. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

11. Ordinance Amendment to Reduce Hours for Parking at Kennedy Tailing Wheels Park.

City Manager Daly reported the City of Jackson Municipal Code Section 12.12.010 details the hours of operation for all the parks within the City. The current hours are 7:00 a.m. to either 9:00 p.m. or 10:00 p.m., depending on the day of the week (Friday and Saturday have the later hours). It has been requested that the hours at Kennedy Tailing Wheels Park be made more specific to the hours of 8:00 a.m. to sunset each day, to reduce the amount of problems at this location. This change would allow for better enforcement of the hours and better prevention of problems at this park location.

Mayor Sweet opened the public discussion. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Sweet 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 carried by a 5 to 0 vote to conduct the second reading and adopt Ordinance 691. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

12. CLOSED SESSION

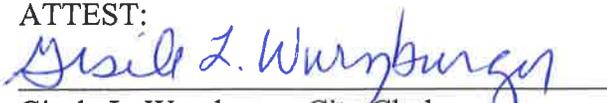
- a. Conference with Real Property Negotiator. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8). Parking Lot across from 240 N. Main Street, Jackson, APNs 020-191-004 and 020-191-005, Chaquica and Rodgers Family Trusts. Agency Negotiator: Michael Daly, City Manager.
- b. Public Employee Annual Performance Evaluation: City Manager. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

13. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reconvened to Open Session at 8:07 p.m. and reported no reportable action.

Adjourn 8:08 p.m.

ATTEST:


Gisele L. Wurzburger City Clerk

Date Approved: May 23, 2016