

Jackson City Council  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting of November 25, 2013

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

Michael Daly, City Manager  
Joshua Nelson, City Attorney  
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. CEREMONIAL.**

- a. Recognition of Volunteer Firefighters recently promoted to Fire Engineer: Fire Chief Morton presented Fire Engineer badges and family members pinned Jason Brennan, Daniel Fishback, Jason Fishback, Sean Parkyn. Volunteer Firefighter Alex Sharp was not present to receive his Fire Engineer badge.
- b. Certificates of Commendation for Meritorious Duty: Police Chief Morrison presented the certificates of Meritorious Duty to Police Officer Arevalos, Police Officer Harmon and Officer Reilly.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

**Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Gonsalves, and unanimously carried to approve the City Council Agenda dated November 25, 2013 as presented.**

**3. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

None.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR.**

- a. Approval of Minutes of November 12, 2013 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of November the amount of \$131,607.42.
- c. Adopt Resolution Accepting Grant from CalFire for Personal Protective Equipment.

**Moved by Councilmember Sweet, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.**

**5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.**

Fire Chief Morton reported on the following:

1. House fire in Rollingwood.
2. Attended the Halloween Parade, Veterans' Day Parade and the Big Game Rally.
3. Will be assisting with the Christmas Delights festivities this weekend.
4. Jason Fox is painting both of the Fire Stations.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. Renewal of the City's NPDES permit is scheduled for the RWQCB meeting on December 5.

Jackson Valley Irrigation District has submitted a letter requesting to be a participant in this process.

2. Signalization of Sutter Street Project is back Caltrans has located funding. Construction will begin November of next year. Our grant Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP) was not approved but ACTC has funds for realignment.
3. Staff and Councilmember Sweet met with Rand Huggett and sketches will be providing at the next meeting.
4. JBCA's Christmas Delights, November 29 & 30 and Christmas Tree Lighting with Santa being held both nights at 6:00 p.m.
5. Sierra Nevada Conservancy Board meeting will be held at the Civic Center December 4 and December 5.

## **6. COUNCIL REPORTS.**

Councilmember Garibaldi reported Amador County Recreation Agency is considering offering seat to the Board to the Jackson Rancheria.

Councilmember Lewis reported on the following:

1. Attended the Veterans' Daly Parade.
2. Attended the Businessman of the Year award dinner.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported on the following:

1. Attended the Veterans' Day Parade.
2. The next Amador County of Tourism meeting is an evening mixer at Add Art.
3. Attended the Jackson Revitalization.
4. Attended the Businessman of the Year award dinner.

Councilmember Sweet reported on the following:

1. Attended the Kennedy Mine Foundation meeting.
2. Meet with the Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps for a tour the finished Kennedy Tailing Wheel project.
3. Attended the Rollingwood appreciation luncheon honoring Jackson's Police Department and Fire Department.

Mayor Crew reported on the following:

1. Attended the Amador County Air District meeting.
2. Attended the Historical Society dinner.
3. Attended the Businessman of the Year award dinner.
4. Attended the Rollingwood appreciation luncheon honoring Jackson's Police Department and Fire Department.

## **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. Ordinance for Adoption of the 2013 Edition of the California Building Standards Code.**

City Manager Daly provided a brief overview of this item. In July of 2013, the California Building Standards Commission approved the 2013 California Building Standards Code. While the 2013 California Building Standards Code will take effect on January 1, 2014 regardless of City action, state law allows cities to adopt and amend the codes to meet local needs. The draft ordinance will adopt the 2013 California Building Standards Code and make minor amendments which are consistent with those adopted by the City Council during the 2010 code adoption cycle. The draft ordinance will also repeal Chapter 14.08 of the Jackson Municipal Code which contains an older version of the California Fire Code.

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

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

**Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Sweet, and unanimously carried to approve the first reading of the Ordinance 676 by title only, an ordinance amending Chapters 14.04 and 14.08 of the Jackson Municipal Code and schedule public hearing for the December 9, 2013 meeting to consider its adoption.**

#### **8. Cemetery Committee Appointment.**

City Manager Daly reported the Cemetery Committee terms last two years and expires on June 30. During the regular appointment period in June, only two applicants applied for (and were appointed) for three seats on the committee. A resident who has been attending the Cemetery Committee meetings for interest in this historical resource for the City recently submitted an application to be appointed to the committee. His name is Steve McLean and his application for the committee was provided. It is therefore recommended that Mr. McLean be appointed to the Cemetery Committee, with a term expiration of June 30, 2015.

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 Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and unanimously carried by to appoint Steve McLean to serve on the Planning Commission with a term expiration of June 30, 2015.**

#### **9. Discussion of Downtown Parking Meters.**

City Manager Daly reported the parking meter topic has become a discussion point at the Amador County Chamber of Commerce board meetings, and the Jackson Revitalization Committee. The Chamber has sent a letter to the City Council urging that the meters be removed from Jackson.

In November last year, the City Council was provided information from the "Parking Solution Group," a City Council appointed committee of local business people assigned to evaluate the benefit of the covered parking meters on Main Street and determine if the covers should come off after Serbian Christmas. The Parking Solution Group recommended uncovering the parking meters and a copy of the agenda report, including the survey questions and results from their efforts was provided. After a City Council vote of 2-2 (four members were present) the meters remained covered through June 2013.

There was a general discussion regarding the meter's purposes, generates revenue for ongoing maintenance expenses and future parking improvements, taxable retail sales, downtown circulation, removal, time limit as a deterrent to longer parking, discouraging merchants and residents from parking on Main Street due to the "pay for parking" requirement. Parking in areas where demand exceeds supply can lead to tough public policy decisions.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. Jack Georgette voiced his concerns regarding Downtown Parking Meters. Hearing no further comments, Mayor Crew closed the public discussion.

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff, staff was instructed to keep this item on the agenda for further discussion.

#### **10. Jackson Revitalization Committee Appointments.**

City Manager Daly reported the Jackson Revitalization Committee two year terms expired in September. The committee has reduced its meeting schedule to a quarterly basis, so the re-appointments were not considered until its November meeting. The regular term on the committee is two years and the seats are staggered so that approximately half of them expire each year. All of the current committee members who have terms expiring are interested in continuing on the committee. The Jackson Revitalization Committee has recommended that all of the current committee members be re-appointed to an additional two year term. A copy of the current JRC Strategic Plan was provided for information. The Jackson Revitalization Committee now meets on a quarterly basis (next meeting scheduled in February) on second Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Jackson Council Chambers. Members of the public are encouraged to attend these meetings and participate.

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 Councilmember Sweet, and carried by a 0 vote (Vice-Mayor Gonsalves abstained) to reappoint Vice-Mayor Connie Gonsalves, Merchant Kellee Davenport, Property Owner Robert Carr, JBCA Member Aaron May, Resident Rich Hoffman, and Member-at-Large Mark Hirschel, Kellee Davenport (commercial property owner) to serve on the Jackson Revitalization Committee.**

#### **11. Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor.**

City Manager Daly reported the Jackson Municipal Code and California Government Code call for the City Council to select one of its own members to serve as Mayor and Vice-Mayor for one year terms. This has been traditionally voted upon at the last meeting in November of odd-numbered years and the beginning of December of even-numbered years following the general election. To clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Councilmembers, the City Council adopted the City of Jackson Code of Conduct for Elected Officials, which was last revised in June, 2005. The section of this document pertaining to the roles and responsibilities was provided for reference.

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

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

**Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and unanimously carried to nominate Councilmember Crew as Mayor and Councilmember Gonsalves as Vice-Mayor.**

**12. Adjournment:**

Adjourn 8:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: December 9, 2013