Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of February 10, 2014

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. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to approve the City Council Agenda dated February 10, 2014 as presented. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

2. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR.

a. Approval of Minutes of January 27, 2014 meeting.
b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of January the amount of $94,223.28.
c. Approval of Salary related items for January amount of $271,858.58.
d. Receive Jackson Fire Department Monthly Report for January 2014.
e. Receive Jackson Police Department Monthly Report for January 2014.
f. Receive Building Department Monthly Report for January 2014.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to approve the Consent Calendar except for.

Councilmember Sweet abstained on the approval of Check 1197 in the amount of $606.57.

Mayor Crew abstained on the approval of Check 1175 in the amount of $341.70.

Motion passed with the following vote:

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

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Fire Chief Morton reported on the following:

1. Jackson Fire Department in January 2014 responded to 111 calls last month, 79 medical calls, 18 public assists, 8 fire related, 1 hazardous materials, 5 traffic accidents and 16 of the calls or 14 percent were outside of the city limits for automatic aid to the AFPD.
2. Pending sale of Command Vehicle 6320 and purchase of new vehicle.
3. Replacement of Truck One and purchase of a new ladder truck.

City Manager Daly reported there will be an item on a future agenda regarding the sale and purchase of Fire Department vehicles.

Police Chief Morrison reported the Police Department responded to 755 calls for service for the month of January.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. The City still requesting voluntary 20% water conservation due to drought conditions.
2. Clean It and Green It has been scheduled for Saturday, April 26 due to Easter.
3. Wastewater funding discussion and the WWTP Pre-Filter Rapid Mix Project award for bid will be on the next agenda.
4. Jackson Revitalization will have an item on their agenda for the Downtown Parking Meters Sponsorship by Jackson Rancheria.
5. The Jackson City Slickers raised $1,597 at the Annual Rotary Bowl-a-thon for youth activities.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported on the following:

1. Amador Council of Tourism Board meeting, Thursday, February 13 at the Rancheria Casino Resort's Hotel conference room.
2. Will not be attending the Jackson Revitalization meeting, Thursday, February 13.

Councilmember Sweet inquired if Stantec had provided the cost allocation of the wastewater projects that he requested at the last meeting. City Manager Daly reported he would request the report.

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. Police Department Annual Report for 2013.

Police Chief Morrison presented the Department's Annual Report for 2013. The City of Jackson Police Department's officers and staff were kept very busy during 2013. He described the Department's police programs, goals and accomplishments, crime and activities statistics, traffic collisions and enforcement. He provided brief recap of the staffing assignment for all personnel employed by the Police Department, as well as the state of the Police Department and current programs. He thanked the City Council and City Manager Daly for providing the resources, funding and guidance in making the department successful.

The Council thanked Police Chief Morrison and conveyed their compliments to the Police Department for a successful year.

7. Oro De Amador Property – Interest in Partial Purchase and Interest in Opening a Portion for Trails.

City Manager Daly reported tonight's action was that the City Council review the information in this report, accept public comments and provide direction to staff regarding the possible uses of the Oro De Amador property located between New York Ranch Road and North Main Street in Jackson.

A brief history was provided of the acquisition of the "Oro De Amador" property from Oro De Amador, Inc., a subsidiary of Chubb Insurance for future recreational development and the ability to control the future use of the property. Following acquisition, the City has worked closely with DTSC officials in Sacramento to obtain two assessments of the property. The City currently has a grant application for $75,000 with the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to fund a "Removal Action Workplan" (RAW) to determine exactly how to safeguard the public from any hazards on the property for recreational use. A grant decision will be made in March. Lately, interest in the property has come from two separate parties. Either one of these potential uses, residential or recreational, would need significant involvement of DTSC to get clearance for the intended uses.

- Joe Chirco, owner of the Rollingwood Estates mobile home, would like to acquire approximately 20 acres to expand Rollingwood Estates.
- Oro De Amador Study Group, independent group of local citizens would like to open the eastern portion of the property for passive recreation use.

Three letters submitted for the record from the following individuals: Bob Devlin, Joe Chirco and Shirley Danjowski.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. The following individuals spoke regarding the Oro De Amador Property – Interest in Partial Purchase and Interest in Opening a Portion for Trails: Andrew Rodriguez, Thornton Consolo, Joe Chirco and Shirley Danjowski. Hearing no further comments from the public, Mayor Crew closed the public discussion.

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff, this item was continued to the March 24 City Council meeting to discuss the grant and items received from Oro De Amador Study Group for recreational use and Joe Chirco for Rollingwood Estates expansion.

8. Mid-Year Budget Review.

City Manager Daly reported on June 24, 2013, the City Council adopted the City Budget for FY 2013-14. As the recovery from the recession continued, there was a bit more optimism about the incoming revenues for the City, however, it was also recognized that Amador County seems to be a bit behind the curve in its fiscal recovery, mainly related to the lack of new jobs and the construction industry lag.

One issue that is not ongoing for now is the problem with Amador County Unified School District changing to a "basic aid" classification, which required over $1.5 million in additional ERAF funding to be provided from the County's triple flip of sales tax and VLF swap. Though it is still occurring, for the past few years the California Department of Finance has recognized this loophole and supplemented the budget with funds to reimburse the County and cities. For Jackson, this amounted to about $100,000 per year. It does appear that the more optimistic projections are occurring, particularly with sales tax and vehicle license fees (one more of three payments anticipated for VLF). Property tax continues to fall behind the projected amount, but it is expected that the second of two payments will show an increase for the first time in many years. As discussed earlier, one area staff recommends some assistance is with a verification of transient occupancy tax. In talking with the Finance staff about going out to bid, staff felt it would be better to perform the transient occupancy tax audit of local lodging facilities in house.

The General Fund budget continues to rely on employee furloughs, pay freezes, three fewer employees due to layoffs and very limited capital improvement project expenditures. This changed somewhat with negotiations this year, however, the increases were limited due the economic issues still to be resolved.

Mayor Crew opened the public discussion. Hearing no comment from the public, Mayor Crew closed the public discussion. No action was taken on this item.

9. Public Hearing – Development Code Amendments.
City Manager Daly reported on January 27, 2014 the City Council held a public hearing and approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 677 amending portions of the City of Jackson Development Code to be consistent with the 2007-2014 Housing Element and state law. At the meeting staff was directed to amend the Section 5 of ordinance 677 to specify that the Planning Commission has authority to determine the affordability level of inclusionary housing in the event that there are less than three units required.

Moved by Councilmember cg, seconded by Councilmember ml, and carried by a 5 to 0 vote to first reading of Ordinance 677 amending Chapters 17.07, 17.32, 17.58, and 17.220 of the Jackson Municipal Code to be consistent with the 2007-2014 Housing Element of the General Plan as amended. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

10. CLOSED SESSION

a. Public Employee Annual Performance Evaluation: City Manager. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957) no

b. Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency designated representative: Mayor Crew; Unrepresented Employee: City Manager (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6).

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reconvened to Open Session at 8:32 p.m. and announced no reportable action taken.

Adjourn 8:33 p.m.

ATTEST:

Gisele L. Cangelosi

Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: February 24, 2014