

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of March 14, 2016

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

Michael Daly, City Manager
Joshua Nelson, City Attorney
Storey Mack, Assistant City Clerk

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

Keith Sweet, Mayor

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Crew, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Mayor Sweet absent) to approve the City Council Agenda dated March 14, 2016 as presented. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

2. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- a. Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2016 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for the period of March 2016 in the amount of \$341,424.17.
- c. Approval of Salary related items for February 2016 in the amount of \$319,735.53.
- d. Receive Jackson Fire Department Monthly Report for February 2016.
- e. Receive Jackson Police Department Monthly Report for February 2016.
- f. Receive Building Department Monthly Report for February 2016.
- g. Approve Special Event – Jackson Lions Club Dandelion Days, March 19 & 20.

Moved by Councilmember Crew, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Mayor Sweet absent) to approve the Consent Calendar dated March 14, 2016 as presented: Motion passed with the following vote:

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

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Fire Chief Morton reported on the following:

1. Jackson Fire Department responded to 119 calls last month, 86 medical calls, 20 public assists, 6 fire related, 0 hazardous materials, 7 traffic accidents and 31 of the calls or 26 percent were outside of the city limits for automatic aid to the AFPD.
2. The Department will hold their Annual Tri-Tip Barbeque at the Lions Club Dandelion Days on March 19-20.
3. Aerojet wants to donate a water tender to the City of Jackson which has been licensed and painted.
4. Staff has been reviewing the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) proposals and recommendation for award of bid will be submitted at the March 28 meeting approval.
5. The Department will be coordinating a fire training burn at the second building on Court Street on April 23.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS...

Councilmember Crew reported on the following:

1. Attended the ACRA (HUB) fundraiser held Friday, March 4.
2. Attended the JBCA Board meeting which discussed merging with the Amador County Chamber of Commerce.
3. Attended the American River Bank awards for non-profits.

Councilmember Lewis reported on the following:

1. Attended the ACRA (HUB) fundraiser held Friday, March 4.
2. Attended Carla Soracco's memorial service.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported on the following:

1. Attended the ACRA (HUB) fundraiser held Friday, March 4.
2. ACRA working on the revised Joint Powers Agreement and Park Master Plan.
3. Attended the American River Bank awards for non-profits.

Vice Mayor Gonsalves reported on the following:

1. She and City Planner Peters met with Vance Mueller, regarding revamping the Argonaut Mine.
2. Motherlode Cruise Car Show will be held Saturday, May 23. The pre-registration party will be held in Mel's parking lot Friday, May 20.

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. Award of Contract – Audit Services for Transient Occupancy Taxes.

City Manager Daly reported the City has been contemplating an audit of the hotel and motel transient occupancy tax (TOT) for a few years. The rate for the TOT is currently ten percent, and two percent of the taxes collected by hotels and motels goes towards tourism and business promotion, economic development, and downtown revitalization. At the January 25, 2016 City Council meeting, it was determined that going out with a Request for Proposals to firms familiar with

collection of transient occupancy taxes would be the best method for completion of this project. A total of four proposals were received.

Vice Mayor Gonsalves opened the public discussion. Hearing no further comments from the public, Vice Mayor Gonsalves 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 4 to 0 vote (Mayor Sweet absent) to award Cathy Castillo, CPA the Audit Services for Transient Occupancy Taxes contract. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

7. Proposition 218 Process – Rate Increase from ACES Waste Services`.

City Manager Daly reported at the January 11, 2016, City Council meeting a request from ACES was received to increase rates based on the increases that would now be allowed with the new franchise agreement. The increases are based on the Consumer Price Index and the increase at the landfill for the past two years. A total increase of 8.87% is justified under this language. The attached letter from Paul Molinelli, Sr. details the basis for the current rate increase request and describes the applicable rate period that extends back to July 1, 2014.

At that meeting staff was authorized to send a Proposition 218 protest notice to the appropriate parties and not less than 45 days after mailing the notice described above. The City Council set a protest hearing date of March 14, 2016 to consider the proposed rate change, to consider public input and to determine whether a majority of affected rate payers protested the proposed rate changes, and determined that no such majority protest was made.

Vice Mayor Gonsalves opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments from the public, Vice Mayor Gonsalves 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 Crew, and carried by a 4 to 0 vote (Mayor Sweet absent) to adopt Resolution No. 2016-13, approving an 8.87% rate increase for ACES Waste Services, Inc., effective April 1, 2016. Motion passed with the following vote:

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

8. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Public Employee Annual Performance Evaluation: City Manager. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

Vice Mayor Gonsalves reconvened to Open Session at 7:55 p.m. and reported the City Council formed an AdHoc committee to meet with Department heads to discuss and assist with daily operations.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourn 7:56 p.m.

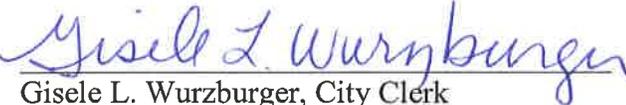
ATTEST:



Storey Maek, Assistant City Clerk

Date Approved: April 11, 2016

Transcribed by:



Gisele L. Wurzbarger, City Clerk