

January 8, 2013

The Blue Lake City Council met in closed session at 6:30 p.m. on December 18, 2012. Mayor Sherman Schapiro called the meeting to order. Council Members present were Kevin Benjamin, Lana Manzanita, Stephen Kullmann and Greg Sawatzky. Others present were City Manager John Berchtold, City Clerk Adrienne Nielsen, and City Engineer Mike Foget.

Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Manzanita to enter into Closed Session. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon Conclusion of the Closed Session, the Council shall Report Any Action Taken in Closed Session (Government Code 54957.1) – No action was taken.

### **Motion to Approve Agenda**

*Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the agenda after moving item 8 after item 5. The motion carried unanimously.*

### **Public Input**

None

### **Executive Summary by City Engineer Mike Foget – Water and Wastewater Studies**

*City Engineer Mike Foget gave a quick summary on the reasoning for a new rate study for water and wastewater. He went over the analysis report, referring to the tables of information provided to the Council. Mayor Schapiro pointed out some errors on Table 6 and 11. Mr. Crowell from Mad River Brewing Company asked for a time frame for the public hearings that will need to take place. Mayor Schapiro and City Manager Berchtold suggested a couple of months for the process to be complete.*

### **Recommendation – Processing of Recyclables**

*City Manager Berchtold reported that there was only one response to the Request for Proposals for Recycling Services. He recommended to Council to continue at this time without change. After discussion, Councilmember Sawatzky moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin for the City to put out another Request for Proposals with the addition of education component, plastic bags collection, special pick-ups and E-Waste days. The motion carried with four yes votes and one abstaining vote.*

### **City Council Member Appointments (Various)**

*New appointments were made to various committees by Council. Redwood Region Economic Development Commission: Primary – Benjamin, Alternate – Schapiro; Humboldt County Association of Governments: Primary – Schapiro, Alternate – Manzanita; Humboldt Waste Management Authority: Primary – Manzanita, Alternate – Schapiro; Indian Gaming Grant Funds Commission: Primary – Manzanita, Alternate – Sawatzky; Water Task Force: Primary – Sawatzky, Alternate – Benjamin; Redwood Coast Energy Authority: Primary – Kullmann, Alternate – Manzanita; Blue Lake Rancheria Liaison: Primary – Sawatzky, Alternate – Manzanita; Blue Lake Business Liaison: Primary – Sawatzky, Alternate – Schapiro; Blue Lake Public Safety Commission: Primary – Manzanita, Alternate – Schapiro; Sheriff's Department Liaison: Primary – Schapiro, Alternate – Manzanita; Blue Lake Fire Department Liaison: Primary – Benjamin, Alternate – Manzanita; Blue Lake Parks & Recreation Commission Liaison: Primary – Kullmann, Alternate – Benjamin; California League of Cities Legislative Committee: Primary – Manzanita; JPIA/ACWA: Primary – Kullmann. Mayor Schapiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the appointments. The motion carried unanimously.*

### **Reallocation of Unused Humboldt County Association of Government Funds for Streets**

*City Manager Berchtold requested that a transfer of unused Humboldt County Association of Government Funds be transferred for streets. The amount of funds is \$22,207.00. Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the reallocation of unused Humboldt County Association of Government Funds for streets. The motion carried unanimously.*

### **Councilmember Manzanita – Training Materials for Council Members**

*Councilmember Manzanita gave a handout to Council with a list of recommendations for City Manager Berchtold and the Council to use for gathering training resources.*

**Consent Agenda**

**November 2012 Financials-** *After discussion, Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the November 2012 Financials. The motion carried unanimously.*

**December 2012 Warrants –** *Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Kullmann to approve the December 2012 Warrants. The motion carried unanimously.*

**Reports of Council and Staff**

*Councilmember Manzanita reported a successful CERT training on January 4, 2013, and the Pints for Nonprofit taking place at Mad River Brewery Tasting Room for the Museum fundraiser sponsored by the Chamber. Mayor Schapiro reported that Humboldt County of Association of Government's meeting is a week from Thursday. Humboldt Waste Management Authority will be having a drug drop off in Eureka and their next meeting is on Thursday regarding their audit. City Manager Berchtold reported that a settlement with Blue Lake Power may be reached soon.*

**Motion to Adopt Minutes from December 18, 2012**

*Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the minutes from December 18, 2012 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.*

**Future Agenda Items**

*Letter renaming airport; Protocol Manual (late February meeting); Strategic Plan*

**Correspondence**

*None*

**Motion to Adjourn**

*Councilmember Sawatzky moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.*

Adrienne Nielsen  
City Clerk