

City of Blue Lake
City Council Regular Meeting
Skinner Store – 111 Greenwood Ave., Blue Lake, CA
March 24, 2015
MINUTES

The Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Jean Lynch, John Sawatzky, Stephen Kullmann (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Councilmembers Absent: Michele McCall-Wallace, Lana Manzanita

Staff Present: Deputy City Clerk April Sousa, City Manager John Berchtold

Motion to Approve Agenda

Councilmember Sawatzky motioned to move the Consent Agenda, item 7, to occur after Public Comment, item 3. Councilmember Lynch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Sawatzky motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Councilmember Lynch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Tim Daniels, Blue Lake Resident, read a proposed proclamation for National Bike Month for the Council's consideration at a future meeting.

Consent Agenda

a. Monthly Financials January 2015

b. Amendment No. 3 to Lease Agreement between the City of Blue Lake and the Ink People

c. Support Letter for Trees Foundation – Instream Planning Grant Restoration of Power's Creek

Councilmember Sawatzky motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Lynch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation on 2013-14 Audit

Keith Borges from Anderson, Lucas, Summerville and Borges, LLP gave Council an executive report of the 2013-14 Audit outlining the following reports found in the Audit: Auditor's Opinion Report, Basic Financial Statements of the City and Required Supplemental Reports. He stated there was no required audit adjustments.

Councilmember Lynch motioned to accept 2013-14 Audit as presented by Anderson, Lucas, Summerville and Borges, LLP. Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment Regarding E-Cigarette

Lin Glen, Blue Lake resident, spoke encouraging council to consider all electronic smoking devices, not just cigarettes. She presented to Council a petition with signatures of Blue Lake residents.

Lou Morner, representative of Tobacco Education Network, passed out information regarding E-cigarettes exploding.

Jay McCubbry, representative of Tobacco Free Humboldt, offered technical resources to the City of Blue Lake, including the offer to conduct a legal review of current policy and public education once a new policy is adopted. Clarification was made that this is at no cost to the City.

Councilmember Kullmann read a letter from Blue Lake Resident Barbara Keating that was presented to the Council in the meeting packet.

Recommendation from Parks and Recreation Commission for 2015-2016 Budget Appropriation

Councilmember Lynch, liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission, presented a recommendation to the Council from the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the Horse Arena. After discussion and public input, there was consensus that more information was required before a decision could be made.

Reports of Council and Staff

Councilmember Lynch gave a Parks and Recreation Commission report. A report was given on the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) meeting, information was passed out to Council regarding Community Choice Aggregation. A Blue Lake Fire District meeting report was also given.

Councilmember Sawatzky gave a report from the Redwood Regional Economic Development Commission (RREDC) meeting regarding the “Last Chance Grade” on Hwy 101.

Councilmember Kullmann attended two (2) Humboldt Waste Management Authority (HWMA) meetings, opened and closed. It was noted that a Draft RFP has been developed.

City Manager Berchtold gave a report on the Electronic Charging Station that is being funded by RCEA and is in the process of being installed at City Hall. It will service two (2) vehicles.

Public Comment

Councilmember Sawatzky motioned to reopen public comment. Councilmember Lynch Seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Wayne Carlson, Blue Lake Resident, commented on the Powers Creek grants and fish in the creek near his home as well as the raccoon population upstream.

Councilmember Kullmann made a point of clarification that the grant in question is not a “City” grant.

Minutes from March 10, 2015

Councilmember Lynch motioned to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2015 regular meeting. Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from March 10, 2015 – Special Meeting

These minutes were tabled until the next Council meeting.

Future Agenda Items

- Proclamation of Bike Month
- Discussion of RFP from HWMA

Correspondence

Deputy City Clerk Sousa passed out comments from Zero Waste Humboldt regarding the HWMA draft RFP.

Adjourn

Councilmember Sawatzky motioned to adjourn. Councilmember Lynch Seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

April Sousa,
Deputy City Clerk