

City of Blue Lake
City Council
Skinner Store – 111 Greenwood Ave., Blue Lake, CA
July 26, 2016
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Adelene Jones, John Sawatzky, Michele McCall-Wallace, Jean Lynch, Stephen Kullmann

Councilmembers Absent: none

Staff Present: City Manager Amanda Mager, City Clerk April Sousa

Motion to Approve the Agenda

Councilmember Sawatzky *motioned to approve the agenda with pulling item 10a: Compliance Agreement with Blue Lake Power, llc including the “Good Neighbor Provisions” Exhibit, and having this occur after item 5.* Councilmember Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input

None.

Mayor McCall-Wallace reminded Council and the Public that Dog Licenses are due and a late fee will be assessed after July 31.

Appointment to Parks and Recreation Commission

Applicant Rachel Fusi was available for Council to ask questions. Clarification was made regarding what membership in the Parks and Recreation Commission is about.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to Appoint Rachel Fusi to the Parks and Recreation Commission.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Redwood Coast Energy Authority Presentation on Community Choice Aggregation

Matthew Marshall from Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) presented an update on the timeline for Community Choice Aggregation (CCA). A follow up item that will come to a future agenda will be the Ordinance that the City can opt into. Clarification was made that in order for Blue Lake Residents to become a part of the CCA, the Council would need to adopt the Ordinance.

Council consensus was to bring the Ordinance for consideration at the next Council meeting.

Compliance Agreement with Blue Lake Power, LLC including “Good Neighbor Provisions” Exhibit

It was noted that this was the same compliance agreement from a previous Council Meeting with the inclusion of the Good Neighbor Provisions. David O’Neill of Blue Lake Power has seen these provisions.

Blue Lake Residents commented on the compliance agreement, and urged the City to request that all noise and lighting standards be brought up to current guidelines.

Clarification was made regarding the standards used in the Good Neighbor Provisions and how Blue Lake Power can operate. Lighting and noise regulations were also clarified.

Mayor McCall-Wallace *motioned to accept the Compliance Agreement with Blue Lake Power, LLC including the “Good Neighbor Provisions” exhibit.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Formation of a Blue Lake Economic Development Committee

City Manager Mager gave an explanation of this item, and some background information on why it is being brought forth to Council.

Clarification was made regarding the legal structure of committees and commissions.

Council discussed how the committee would be formed.

Mayor McCall-Wallace brought up the Economic Development Strategic Plan. It was discussed that study sessions could occur with the City Manager and the Business Liaison from the Council.

The public was given a chance to comment. David Glen, Blue Lake Resident, gave some history on the Blue Lake Economic Development Corporation of the past.

A subcommittee of Council was suggested to work with the City Manager to meet with business owners and to come up with a plan. It was also suggested that this committee talk with Dave Wells, the realtor for the City Parcels in the past.

It was mentioned that a future agenda item needed to be a discussion regarding the Blue Lake Business Park and whether to sell or rent parcels in the future.

Councilmember Kullmann *motioned to look at economic development planning with a Council Subcommittee of Sawatzky and Jones to work with the City Manager.* Councilmember Jones seconded. Councilmember Sawatzky asked for an amendment stating that another Councilmember could take his

place if able. No other councilmember was available, and City Manager Mager stated she could work with Councilmember Sawatzky's schedule. The motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste and Recycling Program Yearly Goals and Objectives Fiscal Year 2016-2017

City Manager Mager presented the projects within this item. Council gave suggestions regarding the projects for the City Manager to look into. It was noted that all the projects are fully fundable within the budget.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to allow the City Manager and the Recycling Coordinator to move forward on the outlined projects proposed.* Mayor McCall-Wallace seconded. After Council Discussion, Mayor McCall-Wallace asked for a friendly amendment to *direct the City Manager to take into consideration the points brought forth and implementation of projects be brought before the council before being done.* Councilmember Jones accepted the amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

9 p.m. Check in - the consensus was to move forward and finish quickly.

Blue Lake Wayfinding Signage Proposal

City Manager Mager gave a review of the item. It was discussed that this would go to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

Councilmember Kullmann *motioned to direct the Planning Commission to develop a wayfinding signage plan.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Evaluation of the City Manager

Mayor McCall-Wallace noted that it was time for the 3-month evaluation of the City Manager. She suggested a Council subcommittee of two (2) members for tabulating information received. Mayor McCall-Wallace and Councilmember and Mayor Pro Tem Kullmann volunteered to be this subcommittee.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to proceed with the City Manager evaluation by getting all materials out to the appropriate people and forming a subcommittee of Mayor McCall-Wallace and Mayor Pro Tem Kullmann.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Council and Staff

City Manager Mager provided Council with a written report.

Councilmember Jones reported on the recent Humboldt Waste Management Authority (HWMA) meeting and noted that Yard Waste Day was August 6.

Councilmember Lynch reported on the fundraising event at the Mad River Brewery for the Parks and Recreation Department. She also mentioned information on the Fire Department and the upcoming CCA meeting with RCEA.

Councilmember Kullmann noted that he was a part of the CCA Environmental Advisory Committee and gave an update on Mad River Alliance and the recent steelhead counts.

Mayor McCall-Wallace reported on the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) meeting and the Negotiations with the Sheriff Department.

Future Agenda Items

- Business Park Discussion regarding buy or sell questions
- Strategic Plan Update Discussion
- CCA Ordinance from RCEA

Correspondence

City Clerk Sousa noted the enclosed invitation from Sara Rounds for the upcoming League of California Cities meeting in Arcata CA and asked for council to RSVP with dinner choice by August 12.

Motion to Adjourn

Councilmember Kullmann *motioned to adjourn*. Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

April Sousa
City Clerk