

December 17, 2013

The Blue Lake City Council met in regular re-scheduled session at 7:02 p.m. on December 17, 2013. Mayor Pro Tem Lana Manzanita called the meeting to order. Council Members present were Stephen Kullmann, Greg Sawatzky, and Kevin Benjamin. Others present were City Manager John Berchtold and City Clerk Adrienne Nielsen. Mayor Sherman Schapiro was absent.

Motion to Approve Agenda

Councilmember Sawatzky moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the agenda after moving item 8 to 8:00 p.m. and item 7 was removed. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input

Meritt Perry spoke to Council on follow up to the Blue Lake Power noise and lighting issues. He stated that he has requested a meeting with the City Planner and the City Manager in regards to the CEQA documents. He also stated that the noise is better now that the cooling tower has been replaced.

National Human Rights Awareness Month Proclamation (Action)

John Shelter was present to accept the National Human Rights Awareness Month Proclamation read by Mayor Pro Tem Manzanita. Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the proclamation. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Feral from Mad River Alliance – Request of Support/Funding for Steelhead Days (Presentation/Action)

Dave Feral from Mad River Alliance spoke to Council, describing the activities of the Mad River Steelhead Days program. The event goes from January 25th to February 8th. Council discussed sponsorship vs. donations, with Councilmember Manzanita stating past practice is to stay neutral. Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky for the City of Blue Lake to provide sponsorship to Mad River Steelhead Days with an amount of \$300. The amount of \$100 was suggested by Councilmember Manzanita. Councilmember Kullmann amended his amount to \$100 coming out of reserves. The motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Nancy Diamond – Medical Marijuana (Presentation)

City Attorney Nancy Diamond gave a presentation to the Council on the subject of Medical marijuana and dispensaries. She informed them that the California Supreme Court ruled that bans on dispensaries can happen in cities. She gave options to the Council to consider for the next steps on the subject. Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to direct staff to draft an ordinance providing for a ban on medical marijuana dispensaries and non-personal use cultivation. The motion carried unanimously.

David Wells, Wells Commercial (Presentation)

Item was withdrawn from agenda.

Presentation on Climate Action Plan (Presentation)

Jerome Carman from Redwood Coast Energy Authority gave a presentation on the Climate Action Plan. He asks the City to start addressing the actions from the plan. He submitted a comment sheets for the Council to complete and return to the next meeting.

Request for Ratification of Ordinance No. 13-1 - An Ordinance Adopting the 2013 California Fire Code and International Fire Code Standards Prescribing Regulations Governing Conditions Hazardous to Life and Property From Fire or Explosion, Providing for the Issuance of Permits for Hazardous Uses or Operations, and Establishing a Fire Prevention Bureau and Providing Officers Thereof and Defining Their Powers and Duties (Action)

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve Ratification of Ordinance No. 13-1. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1023 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Authorizing the Director of Public Works to Sign Right-of-Way Documents With the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS) (Action)

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve Resolution No. 1023. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1024 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Authorizing the Sale of Parcel 2 as Found in the Record of Surveys of Humboldt County, Book 70 of Surveys, Page 106, to Morehouse, et al: Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Any Closing Documents and Authorizing a Sales Commission of Six Percent (6%) (Action)

Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Kullmann, to approve Resolution No. 1024. The motion carried unanimously.

Grant Agreement Between County of Humboldt, Headwaters Fund and the City Of Blue Lake for Industrial Park Improvements (Action)

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to accept the grant agreement between the County of Humboldt, Headwaters Fund and the City of Blue Lake for Industrial Park Improvements. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

October 2013 Monthly Financials

November 2013 Disbursements/Warrants

Approval of Program Income Waiver for Accessibility Improvements to Park Facilities

Contract Amendments for Public Works Consultation and Financial Consultant

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Council and Staff

Departmental Report – City Manager

Councilmember Manzanita reported on the Public Safety Commission meeting on the subject of the Sheriff contract. She stated that the Sheriff would like the same contract with an increase in the amount of the contract services. Councilmember Manzanita also reported that the Tree Lighting Ceremony will be on December 18th at 6:30 p.m. and CERT will meet on January 8th. City Manager Berchtold reported that the Phase II environmental study reported that the vacant land in the Industrial Park was clean.

Motion to Adopt Minutes from:

November 19, 2013

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the minutes of November 19, 2013. The motion carried with Councilmember Benjamin abstaining.

Future Agenda Items

Repower Project with City support; Resolution for League of Cities Representative; Draft of Ban on Dispensaries; Update on Blue Lake Power and Meritt Perry.

Correspondence

Holiday card from Town Parrsboro.

Motion to Adjourn

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Adrienne Nielsen

City Clerk