

March 12, 2013

The Blue Lake City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on March 12, 2013. 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 Attorney Nancy Diamond.

Motion to Approve Agenda

Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the agenda after moving items in order of item 4, 12, 10, 9, 11, 5 and remainder items. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input

None

City Attorney: Blue Lake Power Compliance Issues

Nancy Diamond, City Attorney gave a brief overview of the relationship between Blue Lake Power and the City. She gave the Council an overview of the Conditional Use Permit issued in 1983 and the CEQA documents and well as the Nuisance Ordinance that followed in 1984. She stated that Blue Lake Power is not required to comply with the amendments to the ordinance because they were adopted after the conditional use permit was issued. Praj White from Manhard Consulting stated that he would try to have a presentation in regards to the lighting issues for the Council by end of March or early April.

Mayor Schapiro: Schedule of River Watch Compliance

The Council discussed information from the document "Required Steps on the Way to Releasing Sewer Pond Capacity". Items 1 and 2 have been completed and items 3 and 4a will be worked on in the next agenda item.

City Manager Recommendation to Accept SHN Local Limits Study and Allocation Report and Direct City Attorney to Draft Ordinance

After discussion and review of the items provided at previous meetings, Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the City of Blue Lake Wastewater Treatment Facility Maximum Allowable Headworks Loading (MAHL) and Maximum Allowable Industrial Loading Analysis (MAIL) Report from SHN Consulting dated October 5, 2012. The motion carried unanimously. After further discussion on the BOD document, Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the document WWTP BOD Allocation Load lb/day dated February 27, 2013 and direct staff to draft a resolution. The motion carried with a vote of 4 to 1 with Councilmember Kullmann abstaining. Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to direct City Attorney, Nancy Diamond to draft an ordinance providing revised local limits. The motion carried unanimously.

Redwood Coast Energy Authority Presentation on Community Energy Purchase

Executive Director, Matthew Marshall from Redwood Coast Energy Authority gave a presentation on the CCA program that lets local governments acquire power for their community.

Mayor Schapiro: Truck Route

Discussion of the truck route and GPS devices giving the wrong routes to the industrial park took place. Councilmember Sawatzky will contact industrial park businesses for their input. City Manager Berchtold is working with CalTrans on this issue.

Councilmember Manzanita: Impact of SB7 Upon Local Government (Discussion/Action)

After discussion by Council, Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the sample letter in opposition of SB7. After a vote of 2 nays and 3 abstentions, the motion failed.

Liaison with Mad River Alliance

After discussion of a liaison for the Mad River Alliance, Councilmember Kullmann said he would bring more information back to the Council on whether the position is just a liaison or a governing board member.

Councilmember Manzanita: Business cards/name tags

Councilmember Manzanita requested that Council consider the purchase of Council business cards and name tags. This item will be on the next agenda for discussion and possible purchase of business cards and name tags.

Humboldt County Association of Governments - Tribal Membership

Councilmember Manzanita reported on the issue of Tribal Membership with the Humboldt County Association of Governments. She gave information on the tribes involved and that there would be a representative for the tribes.

Councilmember Manzanita: Conduct of Council Meeting

Councilmember Manzanita reported that she feels that the council meetings need to be held at Skinner Store not City Hall. Discussion over what meetings should be held where took place. This item will be on the next agenda.

Consent Agenda**January 2013 Financials****February Warrants**

Item 14a was pulled for discussion. Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve item 14b of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously. After discussion on item 14a, Councilmember Sawatzky moved, seconded by Councilmember Manzanita to approved item 14a of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Council and Staff

Councilmember Benjamin reported that Fire Chief Ray Stonebarger was happy with everything to date in regards to alleys. Councilmember Manzanita reported on the Indian Gaming Fund Grant for the City to apply for. The deadline is April 8, 2013. Mayor Schapiro reported on Humboldt Waste Management Authority and the RFP for hazardous waste disposal. City Manager Berchtold reported that the Phase II analysis may get possible grant funding.

Motion to Adopt Minutes from

February 21, 2013 – *Councilmember Manzanita moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to approve the February 21, 2013 minutes with corrections. The motion carried unanimously.*

February 26, 2013 – *Councilmember Benjamin moved, seconded by Councilmember Sawatzky to approve the February 26, 2013 minutes with corrections. The motion carried unanimously.*

Future Agenda Items

Project for Indian Gaming Grant Funds; business cards and name tags with possible action for allocation of funds; Girlscouts Proclamation.

Correspondence

None

Motion to Adjourn

Councilmember Kullmann moved, seconded by Councilmember Benjamin to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Adrienne Nielsen
City Clerk