



## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, June 06, 2023

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

### **MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Ponciano called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

**ROLL CALL** - Council Members Conrado, Vaca, Codorniz, Garofalo and Mayor Ponciano were present.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.

#### **CLOSED SESSION MEETING – 5:00 PM**

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Section 54956.9) County of Colusa v. City of Colusa, et al - Case No 34-2022-80003851 – Superior Court
- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (§ 54957) Title: City Manager
- CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Section 54957.6) Agency designated representatives: City Manager Jesse Cain and Ryan Jones, City Attorney. Memorandum of Understandings (MOU's) for:

Professional Firefighters Association

Peace Officers Association

Department Heads

Middle Management

Miscellaneous Unit

#### **REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM**

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION** – Mayor Ponciano stated no reportable action.

**ROLL CALL** – All council members were still present.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – There was council consensus on the agenda approval.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Don Bransford commented about Mayor reported no reportable action from Closed Session.

Glen Hamm discussed concern about the speed limit on Main Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

## **PRESENTATION**

Mayor Ponciano presented to Police Chief Fitch a 101st Anniversary acknowledgment to the City of Colusa's Police Department.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** - *All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Council member requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.*

1. **Approve** - Council Draft Minutes of May 16
2. **Receive and File** - Fire Department April and May Report
3. **Receive and File** - Recreation Department April Report

**ACTION:** Motion by Council Member Vaca, seconded by Council Conrado to approve the consent items. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER /CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Council Members reported meetings they attended.

City Attorney Jones reported the main points from the League of California City Attorney conference were affordable housing, homelessness, blight and SB 1383.

City Manager Cain reported meetings he attended.

City Engineer Swartz provided a Walnut Ranch update.

Police Chief Fitch provided updates in his department.

Fire Chief Conley provided updates in his department.

Finance Director Khan-Aziz provided updates in her department.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Consideration of a Resolution to approve the engineer's reports, confirming diagram maps, and ordering the levy on parcels for FY 2023-24 for the Colusa Meadows West Public Facilities Assessment District and Hoblit Public Facilities Assessment District.

City Engineer Swartz confirmed no changes from last year.

Public Hearing opened and closed at 6:27 pm with no public comments.

**ACTION:** Motion by Mayor Ponciano, seconded by Council Member Garofalo to adopt **Resolution 23-25** to approve the engineer's reports which, confirm diagram maps and parcels within the assessment districts, and order the levy of assessment for FY 2023-24 for

the Colusa Meadows West Public Facilities Assessment District and Hoblit Public Facilities Assessment District. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

5. Consideration of a Resolution to approve engineer's reports, confirm diagram maps, and order the levy on parcels for FY 2022-23 for the City of Colusa Parks, Trees & Pool Improvement District.

City Manager Cain and City Engineer Swartz reported approximately 40 new parcels were added since last year. The \$36/per parcel has not changed since 1996.

Public Hearing opened and closed at 6:30 pm with no public comments.

**ACTION:** Motion by Council Member Vaca, seconded by Council Member Codorniz to adopt **Resolution 23-26** to approve the engineer's report which confirms diagram maps and parcels within the assessment district, and order the levy of assessment for FY 2022-23 for the City of Colusa Parks, Trees & Pool Improvement District. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

6. Consideration of a Resolution to approve the engineer's report, confirming diagram maps, and ordering the levy on parcels for FY 2023-24 for the Walnut Ranch Assessment District.

City Manager Cain reported a parcel fee of \$414 with no new parcels. Finance Director Aziz-Khan responded to the council about the Fund Balance correction in the staff report.

Public Hearing opened and closed at 6:35 pm with no public comments.

**ACTION:** Motion by Council Member Vaca, seconded by Council Member Conrado to adopt **Resolution 23-27** to approve the engineer's report, confirming diagram maps and parcels within the assessment districts, and order the levy of assessment for FY 2022-23 for the City of Colusa Walnut Ranch Assessment District. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

7. Consideration of a Resolution to approve the engineer's reports, confirm diagram maps, and order the levy on parcels for FY 2023-24 for the City of Colusa Community Facilities District (CFD) 2-2020.

City Manager Cain reported in 2020, this District was formed and any new development would be annexed into this District.

Public Hearing opened at 6:35 pm

Citizen Bransford inquired about the process.

Public Hearing opened and closed at 6:37 pm

**ACTION:** Motion by Council Member Conrado, seconded by Council Member Vaca to adopt **Resolution 23-28** to approve the engineer's report which, confirms diagram maps and parcels within the assessment district, and order the levy of assessment for FY 2022-23 for the City of Colusa CFD 2-2020. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

8. Consideration of a Resolution to authorize placement of solid waste liens from Recology on the 2023-24 County Property Tax Roll.

City Manager Cain explained this annual process. An updated "Exhibit A" was provided to council and the public.

Public Hearing opened at 6:39 pm

The Recology Representative answered questions and confirmed accounts were in the property owners' names.

Citizen John Rogers discussed his concerns with Recology

Public Hearing closed at 6:51 pm.

**ACTION:** Motion by Council Member Conrado, seconded by Mayor Ponciano to adopt **Resolution 23-29** authorizing delinquent solid waste liens on updated "Exhibit A" to be placed on the 2023-24 City Property Tax Roll with the County. Motion passed 3-2 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Conrado, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: Codorniz and Vaca.

### **COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

9. Consideration of a Resolution to adopt the new (SSO) sanitary sewer overflow and (SSMP) sanitary sewer management plan.

City Manager Cain reported on the legislation to update the SSO and SSMP. Cain provided clarification and corrections on the draft noted by council.

**ACTION:** With no public comments, motion by Mayor Ponciano, seconded by Council Member Garofalo to adopt **Resolution 23-30** adopting the new (SSO) Sanitary Sewer Overflow and (SSMP) Sanitary Sewer Management Plan. Motion passed 5-0 with the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Codorniz, Conrado, Vaca, Garofalo and Ponciano.

NOES: None.

10. Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the City Manager to sign the Hybrid Renewable Electric Energy Power Purchase Agreement (HREE) with BC&E as negotiated per Resolution NO. 23-18, adopted on April 18, 2023.

City Manager Cain explained the proposed project and introduced Wayne Herling with BC&E to discuss the details of the partnership, renewable energy and the city's 12 ½ % ownership interest. Mr. Herling provided details about his company, having a viable client, PG&E Bio Map program, and why they chose to partner with the City of Colusa.

Citizen John Rogers inquired about the biowaste and questioned the 12 ½% ownership. He suggested further research by the council.

Citizen Don Bransford inquired about liability, the city's interest and biosolids.

Susan Meeker, Pioneer Review clarified the difference between renewable energy and clean energy.

**ACTION:** The consensus of council was to bring back additional information for the next meeting.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

11. Sioc Street stop sign update

City Manager Cain stated Police Chief Fitch requested stop signs be removed on Sioc Street. Fitch explained the reasons why most of the stop signs were removed.

Citizen Don Bransford requested to put back two more stop signs since he lives on Sioc and doesn't want the traffic.

Citizen John Rogers mentioned adding additional cross streets to the southern part of town to solve some of the traffic issues.

12. City Boat Ramp update

Julie Garofalo recommended adding light and covering the gaps around the pilings on the boat dock.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

PPA on BC&E

Assessment Districts

Fee Schedule

**ADJOURNED at 8:10 pm.**

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GREG PONCIANO, MAYOR

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Shelly Kittle, City Clerk