



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Vaca called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL – Council Members Ponciano, Conrado, Codorniz and Vaca were all present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Member Conrado requested the Colusa Swim Team Discussion item be moved up as some members have another meeting to attend. There was council consensus.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Vaca presented a 10-year Service Award to Brent Townsend who was unable to attend.

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 March 5
2. **Receive and File** - Fire Department February report
3. **Receive and File** - Police Department February report
4. **Receive and File** - Recreation Department report
5. **Receive and File** - Finance Department January and February reports
6. **Receive and File** -Treasurer's December report
7. **Receive and File** - January and February Warrants list
8. **Adopt** - Resolution to initiate proceedings for the annexation of approximately 509.78 acres of City-owned property adjacent to the wastewater treatment plant.

ACTION: City Clerk Kittle noted two non-substantive changes on Item 1. Motion by Council Member Ponciano, seconded by Council Member Conrado to approve the consent items. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEM

- Colusa Swim Team

Antonio Ortiz discussed the need to have another practice time for the swim team. The request was to use three lanes of the pool from 6:30 am- 8:00 am for ten weeks and to extend the evening practice time from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ellen McGowan read a statement about her family’s wonderful experience with the Colusa Swim Team, the adult swim, and the city. She expressed her gratitude and support hoping for a positive outcome on the request.

COUNCIL MEMBER /CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Council Member Conrado provided updates on meetings and events she attended.

Council Member Markss provided updates on meetings he attended.

Council Member Ponciano provided updates on meetings he attended.

Mayor Pro-Tem Codorniz – provided updates on meetings he attended.

Mayor Vaca provided updates on meetings he attended.

City Attorney Jones discussed social media accounts for public officials.

City Manager Cain provided updates on meetings he attended.

Police Chief Fitch provided updates at the Police Department.

Fire Chief Conley provided updates at the Fire Department.

City Engineer Swartz provided updates on current projects.

Finance Director Aziz-Khan provided updates in the Finance Department.

City Treasurer Kelley didn’t have anything to report.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

9. Consideration of Commission Appointments

PLANNING COMMISSION:

ACTION: Motion by Council Member Conrado seconded by Council Member Codorniz to reappoint Jean Pierre Cativele, Thomas Roach and Sara Andreotti to the Planning Commission for a four-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

PARKS, RECREATION AND TREE COMMISSION:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Commissioner Cynthia White provided an update on their accomplishments, stating they all work well together and want to continue serving the citizens of the community.

ACTION: Motion by Council Member Conrado, seconded by Council Member Ponciano to reappoint Elizabeth Yerxa, Leslie Poland, Cynthia White, Jamie Davis-Meyer for a four-year

term to the Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission. Council thanked Jack Cunningham for applying and encouraged citizens to apply for open commission vacancies. Motion passed unanimously.

HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION:

ACTION: Motion by Council Member Codorniz seconded by Council Member Ponciano to reappoint Jim White to the Heritage Preservation Commission for a four-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Update on the Mushroom Facility

Laura Denise, General Manager for Farmers Fresh Mushrooms California provided an update on the mushroom farm. Their after-hours phone number to report complaints is (530) 458-8600. She explained the biggest factor was the north wind but there are other contributing factors. She explained their filtration system. Denise answered questions from the council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Joe Taucher, Devin Kelley, Pam DeGrossa, and others expressed their concerns regarding the smell.

City Attorney Jones will research “public nuisance”.

- Sports Complex

Mayor Vaca explained his vision of having a sports complex in the city limits. A location has not been determined. City Manager Cain handed out a rendering of what the sports complex could look like. The council discussed the need to bring people to Colusa and the importance of keeping citizens here. There was a lot of discussion with the council and citizens sharing ideas and educating the public about what it could offer to everyone in the community. Council requested future workshops.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Sports Complex workshop

Colusa’s role with the Sites Reservoir Project

ADJOURNED at 7:57 PM TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION MEETING

- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (§ 54957) Title: City Manager

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION –Mayor Vaca stated there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNED at 8:18 PM

DANIEL VACA, MAYOR

Shelly Kittle, City Clerk