

**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2022
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: @ 6:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: Rivera, Solis, Lorenzini, Newton, Murakami

PUBLIC COMMENTS: “This time is set aside for the public to address the City Council on matters listed on the Consent Agenda as well as other items not included on the Regular Agenda. If your comments concern an item noted on the Regular Agenda, please address the Council when that item is open for public comment.” (The Brown Act requires the public be given the opportunity to address the Council before action is taken. If there is a Consent Agenda, there is no other opportunity for public comment on items on the Consent Agenda.) The Council has the right to reasonably limit the duration of each speaker to three minutes. Speakers may not cede their time. The Council may ask questions but may take no action during the Public Comments portion of the meeting, except to direct staff to prepare a report, or to place an item on a future agenda.

SPEAKERS: Speakers, please stand at the podium and speak loudly so the entire room can hear you.

The mayor will recognize you and ask that you state your name and mailing address so that the City Staff can follow up on any issues requiring City action, or provide you with information, if appropriate.

Sarah Springfield present with Y.E.S – Advised that the City of Yreka is no longer doing this project and Siskiyou County will now apply for the funds.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Discussion/possible action - All matters listed under the consent calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion, or a member of the audience wishes to comment on an item. The City Clerk recommends approval of the following consent calendar items:

1. Action to approve Resolution No. 22-02, **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING THE 2021 GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT AND APPROVING TRANSMITTAL OF THE REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** Motion made by Murakami to approve Resolution No. 22-02, **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING THE 2021 GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT AND APPROVING TRANSMITTAL OF THE REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

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Conference Number: 1-712-832-8330

Conference Code: 8481653#

MINUTES: 3/3

Solis made a motion to approve meeting minutes 3/3 with changes, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Sheriff's update for March 2022 – Sgt. Ben Whetstine present with verbal report.

City Engineer update for March 2022 – No report.

Planning Commission update for March 2022 – John Hammond present with verbal report.

-Special meeting scheduled April 19th at 10:00 AM, with the City Attorney, City Engineer, City Planner, Code Enforcement, Public Works, Planning Commission, and the City Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/possible action on the City's plan to safeguard against the COVID-19 pandemic: Motion made by Solis to approve the City's plan to safeguard against the COVID-19 pandemic, seconded by Murakami. All Ayes.
 - A. Staff Reports – Public Works advised that the city will be receiving 320 covid tests.
 - B. Continuation of City's Plan
2. Discussion/possible action to approve purchasing MES property: Principal Matt Dustan present and advised that there is Prop 39 loan on the solar farm with 19.7 years on the loan. Dustan advised that there are two mitigating factors regarding selling the property and that he is currently collaborating with their attorney to resolve the concerns and that he will keep the City updated. (Murakami abstained from discussion) No action.
3. Discussion/possible action to approve RFQ for grant writer: The Grant Writer ad will be posted on indeed.com, the construction exchange websites, and around the city. Motion made by Murakami to post RFQ for grant writer with a deadline of 4/29/2022, seconded by Solis. All Ayes.
4. Discussion/possible action to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01: ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE OPTING IN TO THE SISKIYOU COUNTY INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REGIONAL AGENCY'S EDIBLE FOOD RECOVERY ORDINANCE**: Second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01. Motion made by Solis to approve, **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01: ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE OPTING IN TO THE SISKIYOU COUNTY INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REGIONAL AGENCY'S EDIBLE FOOD RECOVERY ORDINANCE**, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/possible action to approve the lease agreement with Montague Slow Pitch Softball for the 2022 softball season: Kenny and Dean Jones present. Council advised that the trash needs to be picked up more promptly. Changes made to item #6 to make monthly payments for the electric and water bill. Motion made to Murakami to approve the lease agreement with Montague Slow Pitch Softball for the 2022 softball season with the changes stated, seconded by Solis. All Ayes.
2. Discussion/possible action regarding the Siskiyou County Motorsports Association: The SCMA present for discussion, A member of the community is interested in the property. Item tabled.
3. Discussion/possible action for PSA 2 Area Agency on Aging "Senior Ride-Thru" at Railroad Park on May 18, 2022: Item tabled.
4. Discussion/possible action to approve the MOU agreement for the Siskiyou Beef Country Cook-off: John Hammond present for Montague Rotary. Motion made by Rivera to approve the MOU agreement for the Siskiyou Beef Country Cook-off, seconded by Murakami. All Ayes.
5. Discussion/possible action to approve the quote for the abatement for 120 E. Buell St.: Item tabled for more bids.
6. Discussion/possible action to accept the resignation of council member Shelley Solis: Motion made by Murakami to approve the resignation of council member Shelley Solis, seconded by Rivera, All Ayes.
7. Discussion/possible action for council vacancy: Changes made to the flyer to reflect the correct qualifications to apply. Candidate will need to run in the next election. Motion made by Murakami to approve posting the new council vacancy flyer starting on April 8th with a deadline of April 29th, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.
8. Discussion/possible action to approve proposed pool changes: Jennifer Perham present for discussion. Motion made by Solis to approve proposed pool changes, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.
9. Discussion/possible action to approve paid lifeguard training: Jennifer Perham present for discussion. Motion made by Murakami to approve paid lifeguard training, seconded by Newton. All Ayes.
10. Discussion/possible action to approve verbiage changes to the wage table: Tabled.
11. Discussion/possible action to approve changes to the Personnel Action Form (PAF): Tabled.
12. Discussion/possible action to approve new fire fighters:

A. Zachary Dove: Tabled for June's Regular City Council Meeting.

B. Dominic Castro: Motion made by Solis to approve hiring fire fighter Dominic Castro, seconded by Murakami. All Ayes.

13. Discussion possible action to approve purchasing street signs: Motion made by Solis to approve purchasing the street signs for Public Works, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

14. Discussion possible action to approve Ordinance Violation Notices for the Sherriff's Office to collect on fees: Motion made by Solis to approve Ordinance Violation Notices for the Sherriff's Office to collect on fees, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

15. Discussion/possible action to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 22-03, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF MONTAGUE APPROVING APPLICATION(S) FOR PER CAPITA GRANT FUNDS**: Motion made by Murakami approve **RESOLUTION NO. 22-03, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF MONTAGUE APPROVING APPLICATION(S) FOR PER CAPITA GRANT FUNDS**, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

16. Discussion/possible action to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 22-04, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO REPAIR WATER SYSTEMS RESULTING IN WATER LOSS**: Motion made by Solis to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 22-04, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTAGUE ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO REPAIR WATER SYSTEMS RESULTING IN WATER LOSS**, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS for March 2022

- Fire Department – Verbal report.
- Public Works – See attached report.
- Water/Sewer – See attached report.
- Animal Control/Code Enforcement – See attached report.
- City Clerk – See attached report. (Employee evaluations tentative for 5/27 for the Pool Coordinator and City Clerk)
- Treasurer – See attached report.
- Pool – See attached report.
- Library – See attached report.
- Commissioners/Council Statements and Requests: Members of the council may make brief announcements, reports, or request staff to report to council on any matter at a subsequent meeting.
-Commissioner Lorenzini – Advised Egg Hunt will be 4/16 at 2 PM and the LOLA dinner will be 4/13.

Motion made by Murakami to adjourn meeting, seconded by Solis. All Ayes.

ADJOURN: @ 8:41 PM

ATTEST:

CITY OF MONTAGUE:

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AYSSA MERRILL, CITY CLERK

TIFFANIE LORENZINI, MAYOR