

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 6, 2023
6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: @ 6:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: Vela, Rivera, Jackson, Dooley, and Murakami present

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion to approve agenda with the removal of New Business number 3 for the Montague Library Volunteer made by Vela, seconded by Dooley. All Ayes.

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.

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. Approval of City Council Meeting minutes for 3/2 and 3/13: On minutes for 3/2 the citizens name was Vern Fueston and council requested to note that the City Administrator and the Council talked with Mr. Fueston about looking into funding and fixing the issue. Motion to approve minutes made by Dooley, seconded by Jackson. All Ayes.

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PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Approval of cost for 120 East Buell Street Abatement:
 - a) Staff Report: Total abatement came to \$6199.16.
 - b) Public Hearing: Trash is starting to pile back up on the property. The only thing the City can do is go through the abatement process again.
 - c) 15061(b)(3) CEQA exemption: Motion to approve CEQA exception made by Rivera, seconded by Vela. All Ayes.
 - d) Decision (Roll Call Vote): Motion to approve abatement cost made by Jackson, seconded by Dooley, Ayes by Vela, Dooley, Rivera, Jackson, and Murakami.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Sheriff's update for March 2023: Sargent Nowdesha reporting.

City Engineer update for March 2023: City Administrator presented. Working on starting 6th Street.

Planning Commission update for March 2023: Chair Robinson had a family emergency, so City Administrator reported.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. City's plan to safeguard against the COVID-19 pandemic: Masks and COVID restrictions have been pulled. Can keep barrier and sterilizing if council prefers. Council member Vela suggests spraying twice a week instead of three times a week. Rivera agrees along with Jackson and Dooley. Mayor Murakami suggests to take reports off the agenda and can bring it back on if something changes. Motion to approve made by Vela, seconded by Dooley. All Ayes.
 - a. Staff Reports
 - b. Continuation of City's Plan
2. Discussion/possible action to approve bid for Montague's IT business: Mayor Murakami asks for a spreadsheet that compares everything side by side. Council member Vela asks for the contact information to each business to ask some questions. Tabled.
3. Discussion/possible action to update the Community Hall Rental Agreement: Updating # 5,8, and 11. States in the contract if you overflow the dumpster, you will be charged \$50.00, you cannot vape in the building, and if you do not use the cleaner that is provided to you by the city then you will be fined.
4. Discussion/possible action to update Yreka Little League MOU: No one showed at the meeting so it will be put on next months meeting. Tabled.
5. Discussion/possible action to hire full-time maintenance worker: City Administrator asks to hire maintenance worker through Express. Motion to approve made by Jackson, seconded by Dooley. All Ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/possible action to accept the 2022 General Plan Annual Progress Report: City's Planner, Richard Tinsman, reported by zoom on the General Plan. The city has nothing to report for this year but we still need to turn in a report. Motion to approve made by Rivera, seconded by Jackson. All Ayes.
2. Discussion/possible action to approve The Siskiyou Child Abuse Prevention Council Collaborative Proclamation: Michelle O'Gorman present. Asks council if they would allow pinwheel gardens to be put of City property. Motion to approve made by Jackson, seconded by Rivera. All Ayes.
3. Discussion/possible action to approve Linda Kepford as a Montague Library volunteer: Taken off of agenda.
4. Discussion/possible action to approve payment for lifeguards training: Pool Coordinator, Heather Gamache, reporting. Shasta Valley YMCA located in Redding will send down a trainer to train 12 lifeguards. City of Yreka and City of Etna are willing to split the cost. Total it will cost each city \$762.16. Council asks City Clerk to send email to all parties to figure out financial details. Motion to approve made by Vela, seconded by Dooley. All Ayes.
5. Discussion/possible action to amend Ordinance No. 16-1: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montague Amending Chapter 2.12.020 Regarding the Montague Fire Department: Took out the last sentence of the first paragraph that states you cannot be a certain age. Motion to approve changes made by Dooley, seconded by Jackson. All Ayes
6. Discussion/possible action for budget transfer of \$300.00 from Computer/ Software/ Support GL to Advertising/ Printing for CEO Department: Motion to approve transfer made by Rivera, seconded by Vela. All Ayes.
7. Discussion/possible action of updating the Montague Employee Association MOU: Council made an Adhoc to discuss this MOU with the Employee Association President. Adhoc is Rivera, Dooley, and President is Dunn.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS for March 2023

- Fire Department
- Public Works/City Administrator

- Water/Sewer
- Animal Control/Code Enforcement
- City Clerk
- Treasurer
- Library
- Commissioners/Council Statements and Requests: Members of the council may make brief announcements, reports, or request staff to report to the council on any matter at a subsequent meeting.

ADJOURN: @ 8:17 PM

Motion to adjourn made by Jackson, seconded by Dooley. All Ayes.

ATTEST:

CITY OF MONTAGUE:

X

JESSIE MONDAY, CITY CLERK

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TAKESHI MURAKAMI, MAYOR