



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**Clearlake City Hall Council Chambers
14050 Olympic Dr, Clearlake, CA**

Thursday, August 07, 2025

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

MINUTES

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Russ Cremer

Vice Mayor Dirk Slooten

Councilmember Tara Downey

Councilmember Jessica Hooten

Councilmember Mary Wilson

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Downey, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Swearing In of New Police Department Employees
2. Proclamation Declaring August 2025 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month
3. Presentation of the Recreation and Events Division Quarterly Update

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Taliaferro spoke regarding the safety of blocking off Acacia Street to a one-way and disagreed with the closure.

Joe Colabella spoke regarding vacation rentals in Highlands Harbor being disruptive and having a negative impact on the neighborhood.

Unnamed person spoke regarding an invasive weed that she has noticed on her property and around the city.

Bruno Sabatier praised the City for their partnership in presenting Shakespeare on the Lake last weekend. He further thanked Public Works and the Police Department.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Downey, Seconded by Vice Mayor Slooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

4. Consideration of Rejection of Bids for the Austin Park Skatepark Project
Recommended Action: Move to reject all bids for the Austin Park Skatepark Project.
5. Approve Amendment #3 to PEG TV Agreement for a 5-yr Extension
Recommended Action: Approve Amendment #3 and Authorize the Mayor to Sign
6. Warrants
Recommended Action: Receive and file
7. Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for the Boyles Fire
Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency
8. Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for Winter Storms
Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency

H. BUSINESS

9. Discussion Regarding Collection of Fire Mitigation Impact Fees on Behalf of the Lake County Fire Protection District
Recommended Action: Direction to Staff

It was the consensus of the Council to bring back the ordinance for reconsideration at a future meeting and gave direction to staff to have the Lake County Fire Protection District collect the fees and collect a two percent fee.

10. Discussion and Consideration of Animal Care and Control Contract with North Bay Animal Services
Recommended Action: Direction to Staff

Motion to direct the City Manager to terminate the contract with NBAS w/no cause written notice with 180 day notice.

Motion made by Councilmember Downey, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Slooten

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Wilson

I. CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

K. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melissa Swanson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a solid horizontal line.

Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk