



425 Webster Street
Colusa, CA 95932

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2022

Closed Session 5:00 pm, Regular Session 6:00 pm

City Hall – City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL – Mayor Reische called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All Council Members Present: Denise Conrado, Josh Hill, Greg Ponciano, Daniel Vaca and Thomas Reische.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING – 5:00 PM

- 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
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)
1 potential case

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Citizen Vicky Willoh inquired about the Mushroom Plant. City Manager Cain commented on the progress of the repairs.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Reische presented Micah Hogan's a 5-Year Service Award and gift card, thanking him for his service.

Finance Director Aziz-Khan presented an overview of the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Financial Statements/Audit and answered questions from council.

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.

RECOMMENDED

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| 1. Fire Department Monthly Report, Update on 4 th Quarter 2021 | <i>Receive & File</i> |
| 2. Finance Department – November Report | <i>Receive & File</i> |
| 3. Warrants List –November | <i>Receive & File</i> |
| 4. Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Audit and Single Audit reports | <i>Adopt</i> |

ACTION: Mayor Reische recused himself from the Warrants List due to his financial interest with George L. Messick as President. Motion by Council Member Hill, seconded by Council Member Vaca to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Ponciano, Hill, Conrado, Vaca and Reische.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

COUNCIL MEMBER AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Councilmember Ponciano didn't have anything to report.

Councilmember Conrado provided updates on meetings she attended.

Councilmember Vaca didn't have anything to report.

Councilmember Hill provided updates on meetings he attended.

Mayor Reische provided updates on meetings he attended.

City Manager Cain reported Transit and Transportation Commission awarded \$4.2 million on the Wescott Road project. Cain commented on renewing the State Parks contract. Cal Trans would begin work in 2023 on 10th and Market Street to Bridge Street.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

5. Subject: City of Colusa's Donation Policy

DISCUSSION: City Manager Cain presented and answered council questions. Council discussed their concerns, how past donations were handled, and provided input.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: City Clerk Kittle provided a copy of Citizen Julie Garofalo's public comment to council and the public.

Susan Meeker, Editor with Pioneer Review commented on prior donations and provided suggestions to avoid public records. She stated the donor's name and amount should be publicized.

City Treasurer Kelley commented on Section 4 and Section 8 (c) for clarification and asked what was the Community Projects Fund?

ACTION: Mayor Reische directed City Attorney Jones to bring back an updated Donation Policy capturing council's recommendations and additional research.

6. Subject: Consideration of an authorized representative for the State Revolving Fund for the City of Colusa recycled water system upgrades.

DISCUSSION: City Manager Cain submitted a Letter of Interest to the State and would know if the funding agreement was awarded on June 1st. Cain explained there would be a 50% cash match requirement.

ACTION: With no public comments, motion by Council Member Hill, seconded by Council Member Vaca to authorize the City Manager as the authorized representative. Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Ponciano, Hill, Conrado, Vaca and Reische.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

7. Subject: 2022 City Council Assignments

ACTION: Council updated the Council Assignments for 2022.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Council to discuss and give direction to staff on whether to pursue a one percent (1%) tax initiative for the November 2022 election.

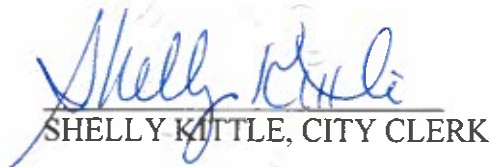
City Manager Cain provided research and recommended a one-percent tax increase. Council directed staff to set-up a Public Workshop to obtain public input.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Ponciano requested updates on the American Relief Plan Act, Prop 68, and SB-1.

ADJOURNED at 7:12 pm


THOMAS REISCHE, MAYOR


SHELLY KITTLE, CITY CLERK

