

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON MAY 2, 2019

On the 2nd day of May 2019, the City Council of the City of Yreka met in the City Council Chambers of said City in regular session, and upon roll call, the following were present: Deborah Baird, Joan Smith Freeman, Duane Kegg, Paul McCoy, and Norman Shaskey Absent - None.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Freeman announced that 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:

- a. Approval/ratification of payments issued from April 19 through May 2, 2019.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held April 18, 2019.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to approve the items on the consent calendar as submitted.

Councilmember Shaskey seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried.

Alternatives for Montague pool use while Ringe Pool is out of service – Mayor Freeman.

Mayor Freeman reported that she has met with members Yreka Splash, representatives of the City of Montague, and Scott Eastman of the YMCA to discuss possible alternatives to allow Yreka youth to get to the Montague pool either for lessons or free swim. One of the options is for the City to once again pay for bus passes and to fund a position through the YMCA for a staff person to chaperone the kids on the Stage bus, supervise the kids at the Montague Pool, and return with the kids on the Stage bus back to Yreka.

Following Council discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to work with the YMCA to work out options and cost, and report back to Council by the 1st meeting in June.

Update on Contract process – Contract with Chamber of Commerce.

City Manager Steve Baker reported that he has been in negotiations with the Chamber. The current proposal includes some of the changes already discussed and also provides some options for consideration by the City Council such as location and Saturday hours.

One of the criticisms of the current site of the Chamber Office is that it is difficult to locate. This proposal includes a discussion of changing the location of the office, which would make it more visible, but also would cost more. The estimated cost for rent, utilities, internet and phone at the current location is \$6,000, while the estimated cost of a new location on Miner Street would be closer to \$15,000.

Prior to 2007, the City leased the space the Chamber was in and subleased to the Chamber and another business. This is a possible option for the City's arrangement with the Chamber. The City and Chamber stopped this practice in 2007, in part because of difficulties with the second sublease.

If the location changed, the Chamber could be open on Saturdays. The estimated cost for this coverage by an hourly employee would be approximately \$2,000 to offer this between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

The Chamber has proposed eliminating the Night of Lights event and combining the tree lighting with the Holiday Parade the Saturday after Thanksgiving. The July 4th celebration that was discussed at the last Council meeting would be added for this year's (2019-2020) contract year.

This addresses some of the concerns that came up at the last workshop and council meeting regarding this item; however, there is a fiscal impact to some of these changes. Prior to working on a final document to bring back to the Council, staff is suggesting a discussion on some of these items in the proposal. The goal is to bring back a complete revised contract at a future meeting, prior to June 30, 2019.

Following Council discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to direct the City Manager to work with the Chamber and the City Attorney to prepare and bring back a Contract for Council approval by the second meeting in June.

City Treasurer's Report: Acceptance of:

Cash Balances Report – March 2019

Budget of Revenue and Expenditures with Year to Date Actuals through March 2019

Quarterly Treasurer's Investment Report – 3rd Quarter Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Quarterly Fiscal Performance Report – 3rd Quarter Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Shaskey moved to accept the Treasurer's reports as submitted.

Councilmember Kegg seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: Fall Creek

Third Party Negotiator: PacifiCorp

City Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney

Under Negotiation: Possible purchase including price, terms of payment, or both.

2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code: (Number of cases to be discussed – 1 - The names of the parties are not disclosed, as it is believed that that to do so would jeopardize the City's ability to serve process or to conclude existing settlement negotiations to the City's advantage).

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Upon return to open session, City Manager Baker reported out that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Joan Smith Freeman, Mayor
Minutes approved by Council
Motion May 16, 2019

Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk