



**YREKA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

October 18, 2022

Yreka City Council Chamber, 701 Fourth Street, Yreka, CA

On October 18, 2022 the City Council of Yreka, met for a Special meeting at 5:30 p.m. and Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. and upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were present: Deborah Baird, Joan Smith Freeman, Duane Kegg, Paul McCoy, and Corey Middleton.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION:

3. CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council will recess to Closed Session to discuss the following item(s). At the conclusion of the Closed Session, Open Session will reconvene and reportable action, if any, will be announced:

a. Conference with Labor Negotiator Government Code § 54957.6(a)

Agency negotiators: City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Human Resources Director.

Employee Organization: Yreka Police Officers Association, Yreka Employees Association

4. OPTIONAL RECESS IF DESIRED:

5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:30 PM:

Announcement of any action taken by the City Council in Closed Session required by the Ralph M. Brown Act. (Government Code § 54950 et. seq.)

6. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Kegg announced there was no reportable action from the Closed Session.

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This time slot is for informational presentations, appointments, or awards to be presented by the City Council or to the City Council.

Presentation, Siskiyou Economic Development Council-- Carnegie Library Planning Progress

Tonya Dowse with the Siskiyou Economic Council gave an update on this project. Kory Hayden and Alia Roca-Lezra were also present and presented.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public Comment: (Jason Ledbetter, read a statement from) Dawnmarie Autry, Steve Radford, Jerry Stalker, and Tryes Cha.

Council addressed Agenda item 12.d at this time.

Heather Dodds spoke about this event, giving an update on the process and introducing Jeremy Flynn, with 22avenue Entertainment Logistics from Redding, who showed a video of event possibilities. Amanda Harris also addressed the City Council providing details about funding.

Public Comment: Jerry Stalker and Kory Hayden.

Recommended City Council Action: A motion to subsidize the Night of Lights event at the financial obligation of \$_____ to the Siskiyou Economic Development Council and directing City Manager to use the funds from General Fund (not previously allocated).

City Manager Ledbetter gave information on this event and history.

Motion to approve Agenda item 12.d with a financial obligation of up to \$15,000 and next year planning this with more lead time.

MOTIONED: Councilmember Smith Freeman
Motion dies for lack of a second.

Motion to approve Agenda item 12.d with a financial obligation of \$10,000 from General Fund.

MOTIONED: Mayor Kegg

SECOND: Councilmember Middleton

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy, and Middleton

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Council took a recess at approximately 7:55 p.m.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOW-UP:

10. CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion,

- a. Approval/ratification of payments issued from September 26, through October 9, 2022.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 4, 2022.
- c. Continuation of Urgency Ordinance #864: Fireworks.
- d. Continuation of Urgency Resolution #2021-51: Remote Public Meetings.
- e. Waive Full Text Reading of All Ordinances on the Agenda. Ordinances shall be introduced and adopted by title only.

Public Comment: None

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to Adopt the Consent Agenda of the City Council of the City of Yreka as presented.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

MOTIONED: Mayor Pro Tempore Baird

SECOND: Councilmember McCoy

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy, and Middleton
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

11. OLD BUSINESS

City Manager

a. Agenda Title: City of Yreka Proclamation United Against Hate

The City Council considered at the September 20, 2022, a Proclamation Designating November 13-19, 2022, as United Against Hate Week. The Proclamation is being brought forth for Council's consideration.

Recommended City Council Action: A motion to adopt the Proclamation that supports and names the City of Yreka in joining the Motion in Proclaiming November 13-19, 2022, as United Against Hate Week, and authorizing the City Manager to advertise the Proclamation in the Siskiyou Daily Newspaper, draft an Op-Ed to be published in the Siskiyou Daily Newspaper, order posters and establish a poster pick up location at City Hall, and provide a copy of the Proclamation in the upcoming quarterly utility bill newsletter.

City Manager Ledbetter presented the report. Councilmembers made comments about the topic.

Public Comment: Jan Osborn, Debbie Bacigalupi, Steve Radford, Abigail VanAllen, Donna Bacigalupi, Jennifer Silveira, Connie Meek, and Colleen Baker.

Council edited the text of the proclamation.

City Council Action: A motion to adopt the Proclamation that supports and names the City of Yreka in joining the Motion in Proclaiming November 13-19, 2022, as United Against Hate Week with some edited wording in two areas.

MOTIONED: Councilmember Middleton

SECOND: Councilmember Smith Freeman

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, and Middleton.

NOES: Councilmember McCoy

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

City Manager/Finance Director

b. Agenda Title: Dog License Fee Update

Finance Director Aldrich presented the report.

Public Comment: None

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to direct staff to prepare dog license fee **option two** for City Council fee resolution approval.

MOTIONED: Mayor Kegg

SECOND: Councilmember Middleton

AYES: Councilmembers: Smith Freeman, Kegg, and Middleton.

NOES: Councilmembers McCoy, Baird

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Councilmember Smith Freeman made a motion to reconsider the matter.

Motion to reconsider the previously passed motion on dog fees.

MOTIONED: Councilmember Smith Freeman

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tempore Baird

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy

NOES: Councilmember Middleton

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to direct staff to prepare dog license fee **option two** for City Council fee resolution approval.

Public Comment: Lorenzo Love

MOTIONED: Mayor Kegg

SECOND: Councilmember Middleton

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Kegg, McCoy, Middleton

NOES: Councilmember Smith Freeman

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

12. NEW BUSINESS :

City Manager

- a. Agenda Title:** Approval of the School Resource Officer Agreement

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement for the School Resource Officer Agreement between the Yreka Union High School District, Yreka Union School District, and the City of Yreka Police Department.

Public Comment: None

MOTIONED: Councilmember McCoy

SECOND: Councilmember Middleton

AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy, Middleton

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

City Manager

- b. Agenda Title:** Discussion/Possible Action: Project Homekey Program

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to direct the City Manager to move forward on directing Housing Tools to facilitate a Homekey grant application.

City Manager Ledbetter presented the report.

Public Comment: None

MOTIONED: Mayor Kegg

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tempore Baird
AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy, Middleton
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

City Manager

c. **Agenda Title:** Discussion/Possible Action: Emergency Warming Center

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to direct the City Manager to create an MOU with the County of Siskiyou for providing Social Worker staff to manage the emergency Warming Center at the City of Yreka Council Chambers.

City Manager Ledbetter presented the report with the pros and cons for each option.
Chief Gilman provided some additional information regarding last years' needs.
Public Comment: Lorenzo Love, Sarah Springfield, Ben Woodruff

By Council consensus have the City Manager look at buildings the City owns, and start an MOU with the County, investigating three options with the following priority: Community Center Conference Room and Community Theater, Council Chambers, in addition, discussion opportunities with the non-profit, the Yreka Community Resource Center 201 S Broadway, Yreka, CA for space.

City Manager – this item was addressed earlier in the meeting.

d. **Agenda Title:** Discussion/Possible Actions: Discuss the Siskiyou Economic Development Scope of Work for the Night of Lights event and determine what financial obligation the City would like to make to financially support the Night of Lights Event.

Recommended City Council Action: A motion to subsidize the Night of Lights event at the financial obligation of \$_____ to the Siskiyou Economic Development Council and directing City Manager to use the funds from General Fund (not previously allocated).

City Manager

e. **Agenda Title:** Discussion/Possible Actions: Discuss the proposed interest from the Yreka Elks Lodge No. 1980 to manage the Yreka Holiday Parade and determine the financial obligation the City would like to make to support the Elks managing this event.

Recommended City Council Action: A motion to subsidize the Holiday Parade event at the financial obligation of \$5,500 to the Yreka Elks Lodge No. 1980 and directing the City Manager to use funds from General Fund (not previously allocated).

City Manager Ledbetter presented the report.
Public Comment: None

Recommended City Council Action: A motion to subsidize the Holiday Parade event at the financial obligation of \$5,500 to the Yreka Elks Lodge No. 1980 and directing the City Manager to use funds from General Fund (not previously allocated).

MOTIONED: Mayor Pro Tempore Baird
SECOND: Councilmember Middleton
AYES: Councilmembers: Baird, Smith Freeman, Kegg, McCoy, Middleton

NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

13. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS:

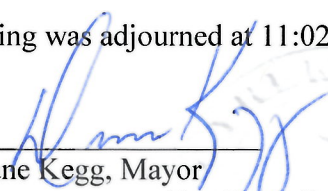
City Manager Ledbetter reported on attending the Siskiyou Gardens, Parks and Greenway Association (SGPGA) in Yreka. He also met with members of the Elks Club. He attended the patriots meeting, and the candidates' forum. He also met with the new Dunsmuir City Manager and welcomed him to the area. He spoke about a grant opportunity and an upcoming meeting. He also announced the upcoming League of Local Agencies (LOLA) meeting and he said there were two felony arrests for arson in Yreka.

14. COUNCILMEMBER STATEMENTS AND REQUESTS:


Councilmember Smith Freeman reported on the candidates' forum, and two other events that took place downtown Yreka.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 p.m.



Duane Kegg, Mayor
Minutes approved by Council,
Motion November 1, 2022



Rhetta Hogan, City Clerk