

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON OCTOBER 17, 2013

On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2013, 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: Robert Bicego, Bryan Foster, Rory McNeil, and David Simmen. Absent – John Mercier.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Simmen 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 of Minutes of the meeting held October 3, 2013.
- b. Approval/ratification of payments issued from October 4, 2013 through October 17, 2013.
- c. Approval of Treasurer's Report and Operating Budget of Revenue and Expenditures with Actual for the Month of August 2013.

Councilmember Bicego requested item 1c be pulled for discussion.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Foster moved to approve items a & b on the consent calendar as submitted.

Councilmember McNeil seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report and Operating Budget of Revenue and Expenditures with Actual for the Month of August 2013.

Councilmember Bicego asked City Treasurer Rhett Hogan to give a status report on the City's expenditures and revenues.

Following the report from Treasurer Hogan, Councilmember Bicego moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and Operating Budget as submitted.

Councilmember Foster seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution No 3033 approving requests associated with the Special Event known as the Chris Lopez Classic to be held at Upper & Lower Greenhorn Park on June 14, 2014.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McNeil moved to adopt Resolution No. 3033 as submitted.

Councilmember Foster seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Approval of appointment of Dave LaMarr to the Yreka Volunteer Fire Department.

Yreka Volunteer Fire Department Captain Jason Suter introduced Dave LaMarr to the Council stating that the Fire Department has approved Dave's application for membership and is recommending that the City Council approve his appointment to the Fire Department.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McNeil moved to approve the appointment of Dave LaMarr to the Yreka Volunteer Fire Department.

Mayor Simmen seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution No. 3032 authorizing the City to accept Federal-Aid Funds, authorize funding agreements, and designating representatives to sign related documents.

Steve Neill, Director of Public Works, reported the Department of Public Works submitted funding requests to Caltrans last year for two eligible federal-aid projects known as the Fairlane Road Deck Rehabilitation and the Bridge Preventative Maintenance Plan. The City has now received authorization to proceed with the design phase for both these projects, however, in order to access funds, the City needs to execute the Program Supplement Agreement and provide a Resolution to designate appropriate officials with signature authority for these projects. This Resolution also grants the City Manager authority to execute potential future funding agreements up to \$50,000 with specific Council approval.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McNeil moved to adopt Resolution No. 3032 as submitted.

Mayor Simmen seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution No. 3034 approving the execution of the Memoranda of Understanding signed by the Yreka Police Officer's Association and the Yreka Police Sergeant's Association.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McNeil moved to adopt Resolution No. 3034 as submitted.

Councilmember Bicego seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

Approval of Appointments to the Yreka Planning Commission – Mayor Simmen.

Following Council discussion, Mayor Simmen moved to approve the appointment of Steve Leal and Barry Ohlund to the Planning Commission.

Councilmember McNeil seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, and Simmen.

Mayor Simmen thereupon declared the motion carried.

City Manager Report: Accomplishment Report from Brownfields Grant.

City Manager Baker reported that in 2009, the City received a \$400,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to complete Environmental Assessments to facilitate the reuse and redevelopment of properties that may have been contaminated due to former use. The City partnered with Siskiyou County Economic Development Council (SCEDC) to manage and implement this project. SCEDC subcontracted with a geotechnical firm to conduct the specific environmental assessments.

Tonya Dowse, Executive Director of SCEDC addressed the Council giving a brief overview of the accomplishments of the grant program. Ms. Dowse stated that a final closeout hearing detailing the accomplishments of the grant will be scheduled in November and the Council and public will be invited to attend.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator Government Code Section 54957.6 (a)  
Agency negotiator: Steven Baker  
Employee Organizations: Yreka Management Team Association, Confidential Unit, Yreka City Employees Association, and the Yreka Police Administration Unit.
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).
3. Pending Litigation: Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code § 54959.9 - On the Matter of City of Yreka v. Kimberlee Abbott, et al. - Siskiyou County Superior Court Case No.11-1001.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** Upon return to open session, City Manager Baker reported out the following: On items 1,2 & 3, Council gave direction to staff.

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

Attest:

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David Simmen, Mayor  
Minutes approved by Council  
Motion November 7, 2013

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Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk