

Tulelake City Council
Special Workshop Minutes

March 09, 2021

Mayor Ebinger called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM. Council Members Fensler, Velador and Williams were present. City Hall administrator, Jenny Coelho; Chief of Police, Tony Ross; Interim Director of Public Works, Jose Perez; City Administrative Clerk, Heidi Cureton and City Clerk, Raul Figueroa were present. City Treasurer, Sara Luscombe was absent. Bryan Hendricks was also present for the workshop.

REVIEW OF NUISANCE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE AND OTHER VARIOUS CITY ORDINANCES ADDING ANY RECOMMENDED ADDITIONS, CHANGES OR DELETIONS

This agenda item was moved to item #2 because Jerry King and Kim Sumner were on the phone to specifically talk about burning within the city limits.

CONVERSATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE ADDITION OF A BURNING ORDINANCE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS

Kim Sumner and Jerry King were both on the conference line to give input to this discussion. Tony Ross told Council that he was allowing residents to burn in a 4'x4'x2' area within the city limits. He recommended that Council look carefully to see what kind of parameters they wanted to set and regulate in an ordinance. Much discussion took place with Jerry reminding Council to make sure any decision wouldn't be in conflict with the current agreement the City has with the Tulelake Multi County Fire District. It was discussed if permits should be issued for burning or if no burning at all should be strictly enforced. Kim reminded Council that whichever was decided, residents must still follow the Siskiyou County regulations set for burn day restrictions. Most of the council felt that if burning should be allowed, strict guidelines must be established and enforced. Tony volunteered to draft an ordinance and send it to Jerry King, Kim Sumner and the Council for them to look at and give opinions. No action was taken.

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Before Jerry King left the meeting, he wanted to let council know that from a fireman standpoint, low hanging tree branches on roofs and hanging low on properties and bushes growing up between properties are major concerns for being potential fire hazards. He also stated that alley ways should be clean and free of debris for fire engines and other emergency vehicles from at least 15 feet from the center of the alley to private property. Much discussion took place regarding who should be handling nuisance related complaints and who should be sending out citations for noncompliance. Tony Ross stated that in order to keep things consistent, only one person should be in charge of nuisance abatements. He also mentioned that he previously had that responsibility. It was decided that all nuisance abatement related complaints should be directed to Tony for compliance. If he is unable to hold residents accountable for following city ordinance, City Council will then step in.

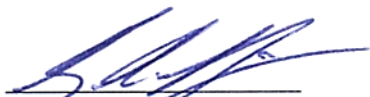
Camp trailers on private property was also discussed. The major concern being that some residents have illegally hooked up to city services and people are living in them. Besides the fact that these services are not being paid for, it is also a violation of current city ordinances 8.16.020 and 10.40.020. The concern is that these extra hook ups do not have the proper backflow devices and the chance of our water system being contaminated is greater. No action was taken.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS LICENSE FOR NEW BUSINESS LOCATED AT 450 E STREET, TULELAKE, CA 96134. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REQUIRES WORDING INDICATING THAT THE LICENSE IS "VALID FOR FIREARM SALES" ON THE LICENSE AND THAT THE LOCATION IS ZONED APPROPRIATELY FOR A BUSINESS DEALING WITH FIREARMS

Tony Ross explained to council that he was trying to get his Federal Firearms License (FFL) so he could sell ammunition within the city limits at 450 E Street. Council was excited to see another business starting up in town and Council Member Fensler made a motion to approve the new business license application. Council Member Velador seconded. All ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 21-46)

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Velador made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM. Council Member Fensler seconded. Motion carried. (Motion 21-47)


Henry A Ebinger, Mayor

Attest:


Raul Figueroa Tamayo, City Clerk