

MINUTES
Special Meeting
TULELAKE CITY COUNCIL
September 27, 2022 - 4:30 PM

Mayor Henry Ebinger called the meeting to order at 4:31PM. Mayor Pro Tem Penny Velador and Council Members Julia Pena Larsen, Bryan Hendricks and Teresa Williams were all present. Staff present were City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho; City Administrative Clerk, Heidi Cureton; Chief of Police, Tony Ross; and Peace Officer Justin Anderson. Finance Director, Will Sargent; City Treasurer, Sara Luscombe and Director of Public Works, Jose Perez was absent. On the conference line was Police Chief Applicant, Jim McKeon.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR TULELAKE BASIN JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE

No representatives were present.

CLOSED SESSION: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT: CHIEF OF POLICE, GOV'T. CODE §54957

Council went into closed session at 4:32PM

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Council returned to open session at 5:22PM. Mayor Ebinger announced that although all three candidates were extremely qualified, a motion was made and seconded in closed session to move forward with the background investigation for hiring Officer Tom Hoy. Mayor Ebinger called for a vote. All Council Members voted aye. Motion carried. (Motion 22-180)

APPOINTMENT AND OR PROCESS ON CHIEF OF POLICE APPOINTMENT

This item was not addressed

APPROVAL TO GO OUT TO BID FOR THE 2022 PREPARE CALIFORNIA JUMPSTART GRANT WHICH WOULD PROVIDE STATE FUNDING FOR A CHIEF RESILIENCE OFFICER, OR A POSITION OF SIMILAR SCOPE AND TITLE, UP TO ONE MILLION DOLLARS

City Hall Administrator explained to Council how this grant would provide much needed assistance to high hazard communities, such as ours. This program would help fund, up to \$1 Million per application, a position to perform the duties of a Chief Resilience Officer who would develop, maintain, and implement business stability and disaster mitigation and recovery strategies for the City. After some discussion, Mayor Ebinger made a motion to apply for the grant. Council Member Hendricks seconded. All votes were aye. Motion carried. (Motion 22-181)

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES:

Chief of Police, Tony Ross: informed the Council that the Police Academy went to 4 days per week 10 hours per day, so Cadet Fensler is using his parents Recreational Vehicle and parking it at an RV Park which the city is paying for. He stated it would be cheaper than the gas to drive back and forth. He also announced that Cadet Fensler was doing very well in class. Chief Ross then stated that the Charger he had worked on earlier was not fixed and now decided to let it sit and possibly buy a new-used vehicle instead. He is also hoping to take some vacation time next week and see if the Sheriff Department would cover calls.

City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho: informed the Council she had a lot going on with grants and she was still waiting for the two bids to fix the movie theater wall to be turned in. She mentioned the Revitalization Committee meeting was October 12th and they were planning a Halloween event for October 29th. The Veterans Day Ceremony will be November 11th and the Christmas tree lighting is scheduled for December 3rd. The committee is hoping to have another lighted Christmas parade, so we need to get the word out. She also mentioned Will was close to being ready for the audit and Rocky Mountain Construction was finishing up on the streets project.

Director of Public Works, Jose Perez: absent

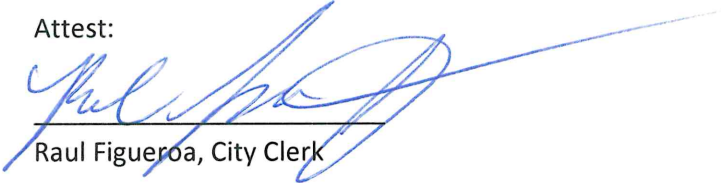
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ebinger made a motion to adjourn the September 27, 2022, special meeting at 5:43PM. The motion was seconded by Council Member Williams. All votes were aye. Motion carried. (Motion 22-182)



Henry A. Ebinger, Mayor

Attest:



Raul Figueroa, City Clerk