

**Tulelake City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
via Conference Call
May 04, 2021- 5:30 PM**

Mayor Ebinger called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM. Council Member Brian Hendricks and Council Member Gary Fensler were present. Chief of Police, Tony Ross; City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho; Director of Public Works, Jose Perez; Finance Director, Will Sargent and City Clerk, Raul Figueroa were also present. City Treasurer, Sara Luscombe; City Administrative Clerk, Heidi Cureton and Contract City Planner, Rico Tinsman was present via conference call. Mayor Pro Tem Penny Velador and Council Member Teresa Williams were both absent.

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 20, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

This item was tabled until the next regular meeting due to Council Members absent.

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 28, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Council Member Fensler made a motion to approve the April 28, 2021 special meeting minutes. Council Member Hendricks seconded the motion. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21- 84)

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Council Member Fensler made a motion to approve the bills presented. Mayor Ebinger seconded the motion. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21- 85)

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Lydia Gil made a comment on being thankful for the City's workers working hard to keep the City running and that the revitalization committee would begin to have more members returning to the meetings. She mentioned the Shindig was scheduled for August 2021 and she was hoping for a big turnout. Raul Figueroa informed the council that he was interested in placing a bid and start negotiations with the City in reference to the newly posted lots for sale for the usage of building primary residences.

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

No Representatives were present at the meeting to give an update.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE SB 2 PLANNING GRANT AND LEAP GRANT

Rico Tinsman was on the conference call and informed the Council of the need to change certain goals and language on the SB 2 and LEAP Grants due to the lower-than-expected funds as the increase in inflation that have negated the buying power of the programs. He also informed the council that he already made the necessary changes for the City to obtain their funding in the fastest way possible and get approval from the state. He also mentioned that a Resolution was not needed to amend the application. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve the proposed recommendations and changes to the SB 2 Planning and LEAP Grants, authorizing staff to work with HCD to make all necessary changes. Council Member Fensler seconded the motion. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21- 86)

SECOND READING OF BURNING ORDINANCE 8.50 FOR THE CITY OF TULELAKE

City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho began the second reading of the new City ordinance in regards to burning within the City limits. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve the new City ordinance 8.50 for the City of Tulelake with the exception of changing the wording in section 8.50.040 part C which says, "No pile larger than three feet by three feet by three feet in size is permitted" to the recommended change of "No pile larger than four feet by four feet by four feet", which was missed in the original draft. Council Member Hendricks seconded the motion. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21-87)

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR THE SB 1 ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT PROJECT

Public Works Director, Jose Perez contacted three contractors to bid on the SB 1 Road Repair and Accountability Act Project and presented to City Council the two which were returned. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to accept the bid proposal from Advantage Paving and Excavating, Inc. Council Member Fensler seconded the motion. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21-88)

APPROVAL OF CEQA ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT DECLARING A “MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION” FOR THE 2020 STIP PROJECT

Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve the CEQA Environmental Impact Report declaring a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the 2020 STIP project. Council Member Fensler seconded. Motion carried. All Council Members present voted Aye. (Motion 21-89)

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

Chief Tony Ross told Council that he had captured 12 more feral cats in town and he would continue trapping at a later date. He also told Council that a heater in the restroom at Veterans Park had been tampered with by our known homeless person and that repairs were made and new locks would have to be installed. Jose Perez told Council that this same person has been sleeping under a culvert in the Ridgeview subdivision.

The new police officer will be here in June 2021 and will go through a 10 week training period before he can patrol on his own.

The abatement process has started in town on Siskiyou Street and will proceed from there.


City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho, announced that Will Sargent would be going over budgets for all departments before the next council meeting.

Sales tax was down again because a lot of business applied for extensions due to Covid19.


126 riders have signed up for the AOS Bicycle Ride this year already.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:28 PM Mayor Ebinger made a motion to adjourn the May 04 2021 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hendricks. All Council Members present voted Aye. Motion Carried. (Motion 21-90)


Henry A Ebinger, Mayor

Attest:


Raul Figueroa Tamayo, City Clerk