

Minutes
AMENDED
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR
AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY
MEETING AGENDA
January 3, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

Council Members Present: Vosburg, Stolz, Ramsey, Lander, Adkisson

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo, City Attorney Mario Zamora, Community Development Director Sean Brewer, Assistant to the City Manager Shannon Jensen, Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains, Public Works and Utilities Director Pete Paciado, Police Chief Michael Salvador, Police Captain Darren Blevins, City Treasurer James Vosburg, City Clerk Wanda Earls

*Motion by Ramsey, Second by Stolz to Approve Agenda for Meeting of January 3, 2019. Motion **Approved** by a 5/0 Majority Voice Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation by Westside Preservation Services Network

Jaime A. Arteaga, MA, Program Director Coalinga Neighborhood Resource Center

We were founded in 1996 in Huron to help victims of domestic violence.

Services include:

- Case Management
- Food Distribution
- Translation Services
- Home Visits
- Support Groups
- Parenting Classes
- Victims of Violence Assistance
- Tutoring
- Fax and Limited Copy Services
- Employment Referrals
- Housing Information/Services

From our office in Coalinga, we collaboratively, as a network, to strengthen families and prevent child neglect and abuse in the fifteen nearby rural communities we serve.

Comments:

- Screening of fund distribution – no screening
- 4th Monday of each month from 9:00-12:00 is food distribution
- Huron City Maintenance Employees pickup for some
- Resource Center free of charge
- Increase action for child abuse
- Outreach Fresno County
- Home Visit for mothers with problems
- CPS referrals to stabilize families
- PD sends them referrals
- Great resources available
- Hold hands sometimes
- Homeless have no shelter
- Stabilize them, finding homes, work or mental health
- Health funding for homeless and need shelters
- Day center possibility – overnight not funded
- Homeless don't want to be in Fresno but in communities
- County not passing down monies
- Fresno County doesn't help
- We need help
- Private meeting with executive director will be scheduled

2. Public Unveiling of PD Lipsync Video and Recognition of City Staff Involved

This is a project that has been in the works since August. On November 8th the Police Department shot its video with the help of a production crew from Los Angeles. This video has completed its post production work and is ready for its debut. We hope the community likes it. Production services and support were donated by Claremont Capital Partners, Code-3 IT, and Roc nation.

Police Chief Salvador introduced the Lip-sync Video and all who help to produce it. Casey Dalton's brother Dan Dalton is Jay Z's (Rock Nations) producer and from there a conference call was made and things began to happen at no expense to the PD. He has a YouTube and it is on Facebook. The City Council, schools and the community were supportive. Thank you to Ocean Grown and Rock Nation for their support.

There are many people who helped to include PD and City staff members.

The Coalinga PD Lip-sync was enjoyed by all.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Bill Lewis reported that March 5 is an important date because Measure R is on the ballot for reestablishing the Coalinga Hospital with emergency room, acute care and other services. The

taxpayers have to approve the Measure and the Measure needs to pass. The local doctors are in support of the hospital reopening.

Ms. Mary Jones indicated the Hospital Board is 100% different and they have two vacancies open.

Ms. Holly Blair, Lemoore City Council Member indicated that Council Member Adkisson trolled her social pages. She has screen shots. She attended West Hills College and made her home here and cares about this community.

Council Member Adkisson asked for evidence.

Mr. Matthew Apple AKA John Sunlight in local newspaper. He is the self-appointed Emperor of Coalinga in full dress. He indicated the Council needs leadership. He thanked Mayor Vosburg. Coalinga's future needs guidance and vision.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS (NONE)

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES - December 6, 2018
2. Waive Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 825 Amending the Planning and Zoning Code Related to Regulating Requests for Second Residential Driveways
3. Adopt Resolution No. 3883 Accepting and Approving the Election Results from the November 6, 2019 Consolidated Statewide General Election
4. Introduce and Waive First Reading of Ordinance No. 815 Providing for a One-Percent Transactions and Use Tax and Adoption of Resolution No. 3884 Authorizing the Examination of Transactions (Sales) and Use Tax Records for the Implementation of the New Tax
5. Review and Approve Regulatory Permit for Kikoa Inc.
6. Authorize Purchase of Bobcat Mini Excavator for Public Works
7. Consideration of Bid Award for WWTP Improvements Project
8. Adopt Resolution No 3886 Approving USBR Water Supply Contract Two-Year Extension
9. Public Works & Utilities Monthly Report for December 2018

Council Member Ramsey pulled item 2 for explanation and Mayor Vosburg pulled Item 9 for report highlights.

*Motion by Lander, Second by Adkisson to Approve Consent Calendar Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Motion **Approved** by a Roll-call 5/0 Majority Vote.*

*Motion by Ramsey, Second by Lander to Approve Consent Calendar Item 2. Motion **Approved** by a 5/0 Majority Roll-call Vote. This item is to be brought back with a Resolution to the Ordinance.*

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Lander to Approve Consent Calendar Item 9. Motion **Approved** by a 5/0 Majority Voice Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Review, Approve and Waive First Reading of Ordinance 817 related to Commercial Vehicle Parking

Michael Salvador, Chief of Police

This is in response to a future agenda item to clarify the status of commercial parking in the City of Coalinga. This item was tabled September 6, 2018.

The Coalinga Municipal code has several sections that deal with commercial parking in a variety of ways. First there can be no commercial vehicle parking in residential areas. Outside of the residential area restriction, a commercial vehicle over 6000 pounds cannot park on the street between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am with a couple of minor exclusions. Then there is another section that prohibits parking of commercial truck 9000 pounds or greater on a city street for longer than four hours. This ordinance is effective only if there are signs placed notifying the public of the restriction.

These ordinances are confusing and are difficult to enforce. In 2009, there was an unsuccessful attempt to pass a clarification ordinance designating areas where commercial trucks could park. Staff has done extensive research into neighboring city ordinances and is proposing a new ordinance.

Staff is recommending that the two commercial truck ordinances in Title 4 be replaced by this proposed ordinance. This ordinance consolidates the gross vehicle weight at 10,000 pounds for a commercial vehicle. It contains examples of restricted vehicles. It gives the Council the ability to designate truck parking areas. Finally it has a maximum time limit a commercial vehicle can be legally parked in a designated area.

Staff believes that this will simplify the process for commercial truck parking and give the Council the necessary flexibility needed to address needs as they come up.

Comments:

- Ordinance 10 years old
- Signs must be placed
- What is a commercial truck
- Exceptions: Delivery trucks, Fed X, etc., Fire Trucks
- Action by Resolution
- Signage at entrances of City
- Ordinance remains same, resolutions provide change

- Several suggestions for parking, Westside Elm and Forest open field, Southside of Phelps, hospital area, Monterey/Madison
- Truck drivers live here, pass and bring back with options
- Economic opportunities
- Self Parking Permits
- To be brought back on 17th with resolution for three areas
- 6 trucks needs a home
- Mayor read 4.4.721
- Truck leaking City responsibility?
- Ordinance addresses issue
- What do other cities do?
- Looked at 10 other cities
- Took from other city ordinances
- Fresno permits parking on certain days
- Need territory for use
- Are their issues on Monterey with right of way?
- First come, first serve, 500' of frontage needed
- Next Council Meeting

Ms. Mary Jones indicated that 50-100 people walk on that road.

Police Chief Salvador said it is further north.

Mr. Michael Jennings expressed his concerns regarding truck parking at Juniper Ridge. Safety issues with ingress/egress. Environmental issues with trash, oil refuse, etc. Issues need to be resolved because they are only at 1/10th of what is going to be built out there. The issues need to be resolved by the chief and mayor.

Mayor of Avenal, Alvaro Preciado, commented but some of what was said could not be understood.

*Motion by Lander, Second by Ramsey to Approve First Reading of Ordinance 817 Related to Commercial Vehicle Parking. Motion **Approved** by a 5/0 Majority Roll-call Vote.*

2. Discussion and Direction Regarding Credit Card Payments Accepted by the City of Coalinga for Utility Billing Payments
Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains

The City of Coalinga adopted Resolution No. 3647 on July 10, 2014 establishing a convenience fee to enable Paymentus Corporation to provide the service of credit card payments for utility billing customers.

Paymentus currently provides electronic bill payment service for a fee of \$2.95 per transaction in increments of \$200.00. The convenience fee of \$2.95 is charged to the credit cardholder and collected directly by Paymentus.

The service by Paymentus allows City utility customers the convenience of making utility payments 24/7 via interactive Telephone Voice Response System and Web payments through a link from the City's website.

Since the conversion of the new accounting software it has become necessary for the City to enter into an agreement with Open Edge as they are the preferred third-party merchant for Tyler Technologies. In order for the City to take an advantage of the lower utility Visa rates the City needs to start paying for the credit card fees as part of doing business.

The City Council has the option of absorbing the fees associated with the acceptance of credit cards payment to be paid out of the Enterprise Funds as a cost of providing this service to the utility billing customers. Such fees will be collected as part of the user fees charged to the utility customers.

Comments:

- Enterprise Funds should absorb costs
- Cost of doing business
- New software accommodates customers
- City will get bill

Mr. Matthew Apple questioned charging people to pay their City bills. How long?

FSD Bains explained it is a fee paid to the credit card company. All credit card companies charge fees. City will take care of costs.

Mr. Apple asked why so long. Why are you not helping the customers?

City Manager Trejo said fees will be paid by the Enterprise Funds.

Mr. Roger Tiffin said he understands but doesn't want to pay for others using their credit cards.

FSD Bains said it is a cost of doing business.

Mr. Tiffin said he will support. Pass the cost along.

Mayor Vosburg said more people will be paying in a more timely matter.

Mayor Pro-tem Stolz asked about the cost to the Enterprise Funds.

FSD Bains said we won't know until bill is received.

*Motion by Ramsey, Second by Lander to Direct Staff to Pay out of the Enterprise Funds the Cost of Providing This Service (Credit Card Payment of Utility Bills) to the Utility Billing Customers. Direction **Approved** by a 5/0 Majority Voice Vote.*

3. Swearing In of Newly Elected Council Member Ray Singleton, Council Member Ron Ramsey and Council Member Adam Adkisson
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

Mayor Vosburg swore in newly elected Council Members Ray Singleton, Ron Ramsey and Adam Adkisson who invited his family to participate in his swearing-in.

4. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Reorganization of the City Council
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

City Manager Trejo said this item is generally placed on the agenda of the City Council meeting following the swearing in any new City Council Members.

Motion by Adkisson, Second by Ramsey to Elect Ron Lander as Mayor. Motion Approved by a 5/0 Majority Roll-call Vote.

Motion by Adkisson, Second by Lander to Elect Ron Ramsey as Mayor Pro-tem. Motion Approved by a 4/0 Majority Roll-call Vote. (Stolz Voted "No")

5. Recognition of the Service of City Council Member/Mayor Nathan Vosburg and City Clerk Wanda Earls
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

Mayor Nathan Vosburg was honored with a plaque by Mayor Ron Lander acknowledging his four years of service to the City Council and City of Coalinga.

Mayor Vosburg mentioned the accomplishment within his four years of service including reducing the City debt by 92%. He had an extensive list of individuals he expressed appreciation and thanks to for their support including present and past council members, staff members and individuals seated in the audience. He spoke for quite a long time honoring each person with humor and gratitude.

City Clerk Wanda Earls was presented with a plaque by Mayor Ron Lander for her 14 years of service to the City Council and City of Coalinga.

Ms. Earls expressed her appreciate for the support extended to her by present and past council members and especially Mr. Sean Brewer and Ms. Shannon Jensen for their individual support to her. She expressed her opinion about the excellent staff the City has and hopes they all get raises.

7. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Barbara Rodriguez spoke of Lemoore City Council Member Holly Blair who spoke earlier in the meeting to discredit Council Member Adkisson. She read from her cell phone comments about Ms. Blair to include that she has been censored by the City of Lemoore regarding her conduct and breach of trust and confidence for her statements and inappropriate conduct. She has been directed not to attend any public functions as a Council Member.

It was suggested that the City of Lemoore be notified in reference to Ms. Blair's comments at the Council Meeting tonight.

As Ms. Blair approached the podium, Mayor Lander cautioned against any degrading remarks.

Ms. Blair said she is speaking as a private individual and she loves this town and she cares about what happens here.

Ms. Robin Scott presented City Council Member Adkisson with one of his signs regarding his campaign with signatures of many supporters. She indicated that she has a pen for others to sign if interested. There was applause honoring Council Member Adkisson.

Council Member Adkisson accepted the sign stating others are welcomed to sign if they want.

Mr. Benjamin Kahikina, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce invited everyone to the Grand Opening of the Best Western Motel from 4:30 to 8:00 PM on the 17th. The Chamber's Annual Dinner is coming up on February 2 at Harris Ranch. There will be dinner and awards.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Trejo said she has brochures from first presentation by Westside Preservation Services Network.

Also, on the 17th at 6:15 is the ribbon cutting for the Best Western Motel.

City Manager Trejo expressed her appreciation to all who participated in the gift program. Forty families were chosen, and 115 children received shoes, socks, a jacket and toys. Santa's workshop was great and Public Works decorated the entrance to City Hall. There was \$6K in donations.

Mayor Pro-tem Ramsey reminded everyone you cannot water from the 13th to 19th due to Westland's Canal maintenance.

Public Works and Utilities Director Pete Paciado emphasized no watering because the City could run out of water.

Mayor Lander thanked City Manager Marissa Trejo for her leadership role for the Christmas Gift Program for the families for Christmas. She certainly should be honored to be called Mrs. Santa Claus because her office was full of gifts. He acknowledged the many staff members assisting with wrapping the gifts, etc. He understands her home was covered with gifts, also.

Mayor Lander expressed he is pleased to sit in the mayor's position again. He reminded everybody that the staff is the bloodline of this community. Please feel free to call or contact him at anytime.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

10. CLOSED SESSION

1. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS - Government Code Section 54956.8. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. PROPERTY: 100 E.Walnut Avenue, Coalinga, CA. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager, Marissa Trejo; and City Attorney, Mario Zamora. NEGOTIATING PARTIES: AMG & Associates and/or assign. UNDER NEGOTIATION: Price and Terms of Payment

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of
Section 54956.9 – 1 case

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:40 PM

There was no indication of an announcement out of Closed Session.

Ron Lander, Mayor

City Clerk/Deputy Clerk

February 7, 2019
Date