

**RED BLUFF
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: Tuesday March 4, 2008
Time of Meeting: 6:15 p.m. Closed Executive Session
7 p.m. Regular Meeting
Place of Meeting: Council Chambers, City Hall
555 Washington Street
Red Bluff, Ca 96080

Councilmembers Present: Forrest Flynn, Mayor
Daniel Irving, Mayor Pro Tem
Wayne Brown
Jeff Moyer
James Byrne

Staff Present: Martin Nichols, City Manager
Richard Crabtree, City Attorney
Margaret Van Warmerdam, Finance Director
Jo Anna Lopez, City Clerk
Scott Capilla, Police Chief
Mark Barthel, Public Works Director
Gerry Gray, Fire Chief
Tessa Pritchard, Human Resources Director
Debbie Carlisi, Parks and Recreation Director
J. D. Ellison, Building Official/Director
Donna Gordy, City Treasurer

Mayor Flynn asked the Girl Scout Troop to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the Assembly joined in.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Executive Session in accordance with Government Code Section 54957.6 for the purpose of instructing the City's designated representative, Nickolaus and Haeg, Labor Negotiators and Martin Nichols, City Manager, and Tessa Pritchard, Human Resources Director, regarding the salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits with the Fire Unit.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

Two potential cases, Government Code Section 54956.9

Mayor Flynn reported that the City Council had given direction to Staff.

CITIZEN'S COMMENT:

NONE AT THIS TIME

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Flynn read the Proclamation and proclaimed the week of March 9-15, 2008 as Girl Scout Week. Mayor Flynn thanked everyone involved in the program and encouraged others to become involved in the Girl Scout program.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Flynn Pulled item #7 for clarification on dates that they should read 2007 not 2008.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Brown and Moyer to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Councilmembers Brown, Moyer, Byrne, Irving and Flynn

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

Approved 5/0/0

AWARD OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT

Recommendation: That the City Council receive the grant award.

Approved 5/0/0

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2008; PROHIBITING PARKING AND AUTHORIZING THE STREET CLOSURES OF PINE STREET (BETWEEN MAIN AND WASHINGTON STREETS) AND WASHINGTON STREET (BETWEEN OAK AND WALNUT STREETS) FOR THE ROUND – UP WEEK KICK – OFF FESTIVITIES

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 10-2008 to authorize the street closures and to prohibit parking for the Round–Up Week Kick – Off Festivities and direct the Police Chief and Director of Public Works to work with the Chamber of Commerce on the details of the event.

Approved 5/0/0

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2008; PROHIBITING PARKING AND AUTHORIZING STREET CLOSURES; ROUND – UP PARADE

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt resolution No. 11-2008 prohibiting Parking and street closures in the staging area and on the Parade route.

Approved 5/0/0

REPORT REGARDING CONTRACT AWARDS – JANUARY 2008

Recommendation: That the City Council ratifies the Contract Awards for 2008.

REQUEST FOR BID – COPY MACHINE LEASE FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Review the attached Notice inviting bids for a copy machine lease for the Police and Fire Departments
2. Authorize staff to advertise for bid, or
3. Provide further direction to staff

Approved 5/0/0

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the City Treasurer's Investment Policy Statement for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Approved 5/0/0

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Recommendation That the City Council accept the reports for the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh months of Fiscal year 2008.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Flynn and Brown to accept the Treasurer's Report with a change of the dates. Dates should be changed to read 2007.

AYES: Councilmembers, Flynn, Brown, Moyer, Byrne and Irving

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

Approved 5/0/0

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE RADIO & EMERGENCY LIGHTING BIDS

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the bid from Valley Industrial Communications in Redding in the amount of \$9,335.82 for the Purchase and installation of two light bars, two sirens, and two Radios in two fire department vehicles.

Approved 5/0/0

CURRENT BUSINESS:

PRESENTATION BY THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Recommendation: That the City Council hear the informational presentation from the Boys and Girls Club. (Informational Only).

Darla Lawrence, President of the Boys and Girls Club gave a presentation to the City Council and made City Council aware of the need for volunteers.

PUBLIC HEARING; CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

Martin Nichols, City Manager, reviewed the staff report and gave staff's recommendation that the City Council open the Public Hearing and continue until May 6, 2008 to allow for the continued negotiations with Charter Communications.

Mayor Flynn opened the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

John Elko, Concerned resident, stated he was very unhappy with Charter Communications service and hopes that the City Council will find another cable company.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Brown and Byrne to continue the Public Hearing until May 6, 2008.

AYES: Councilmembers, Brown, Byrne, Moyer, Irving and Flynn

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION OF THE DEDICATION OF AN EASEMENT GRANTING ACCESS AND PUBLIC UTILITIES EASEMENT RIGHT'S TO APN'S 31-220-22 (S. STANLEY FRENCH TRUSTEE OF THE S. STANLEY FRENCH 1998 REVOCABLE TRUST) FOR CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PM 07-11

Mark Barthel, Public Works Director, reviewed the staff report and gave staff's recommendation that the City Council authorizes the dedication of the easement on City Property APN 31-220-22 to APN 31-220-21 (S. Stanley French Trustee of the S. Stanley French 1998 Revocable Trust) and direct City staff to record said easement with the Tehama County Clerk and Recorder.

Mayor Pro Tem Irving requested clarification on if we would be a joining land owner with a private party, how would we share access?

Mr. Barthel stated that was correct we will be a joining land owner with a private party, and all the lots will have one long drive way they would share.

Mayor Flynn asked if we don't grant this easement will the drive way be off Airport Road into parcel A.

Mr. Barthel stated that was correct.

Mayor Pro Tem Irving asked if there was a project that goes along with this easement.

Mr. Barthel stated at this point we don't have a specific project on the table.

EC Ross stated that the final map does reflect easements that are being required as a condition of the map and the parcel map.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Irving and Brown to table this item until the Planning Director can be present.

AYES: Councilmembers Irving, Brown and Flynn

NOES: Councilmembers Moyer and Byrne

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

RESOLUTION NO 12-2008, DESIGNATION OF NO PARKING ZONES ALONG SO. JACKSON STREET

Mark Barthel, Public Works Director, reviewed the staff report and gave staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 12-2008 designating portions of So. Jackson Street a no parking zone.

Patrick Scott, concerned citizen, stated that he runs his business out of his home and he has a business license that states he may have 2 cars at a time parked in front of his home. This bike lane would take his 2 parking spaces in front of his home away. Since this was a requirement of his business license it would be unfair for the City to take away these parking spaces. Mr. Scott asked that the City Council put a bike lane on the other side of Jackson Street instead of both sides of Jackson Street.

Mayor Pro Tem Irving asked if it was legal to have a bike lane on only one side of the street.

Mr. Barthel stated that was correct and that bikes must go in the same direction as the traffic.

Mayor Pro Tem Irving asked the City Attorney if there were any private property rights to parking in front of your house.

Richard Crabtree stated not on a public right of way.

John Elko, concerned citizen, stated that the City is taking away a lot of street parking and with the City growing the parking is needed, so please think long and hard before taking away any more street parking.

Mayor Flynn asked if the bike lane could be moved up some so it would not interfere with Mr. Scott's parking.

Mr. Barthel stated this would then start a chain reaction of needing to move it more and more.

Councilmember Byrne inquired if this was the project that went out to bid with Winzor and Company, and why did it go out to bid instead of coming to the City Council first.

Mr. Barthel stated yes and that possibly it should have gone to City Council first.

Councilmember Byrne requested clarification on when this project first started the school district stated in a verbal agreement that they would give \$65,000 toward this project and what is happening with that.

Mr. Barthel stated he has tried to contact the school district but as of now they have not returned his phone calls.

Councilmember Moyer asked how long will it take for this project to be completed.

Mr. Barthel stated about 4 to 5 months.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Irving and Flynn to adopt Resolution No. 12-2008 Designating No Parking zones along So. Jackson Street

AYES: Councilmembers Irving and Flynn

NOES: Councilmembers Brown, Byrne and Moyer

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

Item not approved at this time, will bring back on the next agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE “2008” HOME IMPROVEMENT PERMIT HOLIDAY

J.D. Ellison, Building Director, reviewed staff report and gave staff’s recommendation that the City Council:

1. Set March 21, 2008 at 8:00 am to April 11, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. as the dates for the 2008 Home Improvement Permit Holiday
2. Approve the free permit only for those owning and residing at their place of residence.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Brown and Moyer to approve the 2008 Home Improvement Permit Holiday.

AYES: Councilmembers Brown, Moyer, Byrne, Irving and Flynn

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

PARCEL MAP 07-11 ACCEPTANCE OF PARCEL MAP AND DEDICATIONS

Mark Barthel, Public Works Director, reviewed staff report and gave staff's recommendation that the City Council accept the dedication of a Road and Public Utility Easement contained on Parcel Map 07-11 and direct staff to record Map 07-11.

M/S/C: Councilmembers Irving and Brown to table this item until the next meeting when the Planning Director can be present.

AYES: Councilmembers Irving, Brown and Flynn

NOES: Councilmembers, Moyer and Byrne

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2008

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2008

M/S/C: Councilmembers Irving and Brown to approval of minutes

AYES: Councilmembers Irving, Brown, Byrne, Flynn and Moyer

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: NONE

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS LIST

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Check Warrants No. 58489 through 58806 dated January 3, 2008 through January 31, 2008

M/S/C: Councilmembers Moyer and Irving to approve Warrant List.

AYES: Councilmembers Irving, Moyer, Flynn and Byrne

NOES: NONE

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Councilmember Brown (abstain)

COMMITTEE REPORTS / COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None

There being no further business Mayor Pro Tem Irving adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. until the meeting of March 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

s/b Daniel Irving, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

s/b Cheryl Smith, Deputy City Clerk