

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 6, 2023; 6:00 pm
Gridley City Hall, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley, CA 95948

“Our purpose is to continuously enhance our community’s vitality and overall quality of life. We are committed to providing high quality, cost-effective municipal services and forming productive partnerships with our residents and regional organizations. We collectively develop, share, and are guided by a clear vision, values, and meaningful objectives.”

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Farr called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers

Present: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Absent: None

Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Cliff Wagner, City Administrator
Rodney Harr, Police Chief
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Jake Carter, Utilities Director
Martin Pineda, Assistant Finance Director
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION – None

PROCLAMATION – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes Dated October 16th, 2023
2. Supplemental Appropriation for the 2024 Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Vice Mayor Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Roberts.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon

Motion passed, 5-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. City Council Appointment to Butte Co. Mosquito and Vector Control District

City Administrator Wagner informed Council that Vice Mayor Johnson's term with the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District was set to expire at the end of the year and another appointment was required.

Mayor Farr made the motion to appoint Vice Mayor Johnson to a 4-year term. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon

Motion passed, 5-0

4. Police Department Vehicles & Funding Options

Assistant Finance Director, Martin Pineda, requested that Council approve the purchase of police vehicles and upgrades from Gridley Country Ford and provided two possible funding options.

Police Chief Rodney Harr, explained to Council that the Gridley Police Department has needed to replace 5, 2011 Crown Victorias but have been unable to due to the recent shortage of government vehicles available for purchase.

Councilmember Sanchez stated for the record that although she is in support of the Gridley Police Department purchasing necessary vehicles and equipment, she is not in support of using ARPA funds for this purchase.

Motion to approve utilizing the ARPA funds available was made by Councilmember Roberts, seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon

Motion passed, 5-0

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Christian Garcia of Waste Management provided specifics of the Free Dump Day that took place October 14th.

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Calderon expressed gratitude for the department managers and their staff for their assistance with the Day of the Dead celebration on November 2nd.

Mayor Farr reported that he attended a meeting of the Butte Subbasin Advisory Board where he and other members will be evaluating the long-term operational funding options to meet GSA water reporting requirements.

Councilmember Sanchez reported on her attendance at the monthly NCPA meeting.

Utility Director Jake Carter informed Council that he is currently running into supply chain issues for pad mounts and plans to formally bring a recommendation back to Council at an upcoming regular Council meeting.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Wager reported on recent interviews with auditing firms after undergoing an RFP process.

POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COUNCIL ITEMS - *(Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):*

Water Resiliency Authorization Documents	11/20/2023
Finance Policies	11/20/2023
General Plan Amendment and Agricultural Buffer Clarification	11/20/2023
Housing Element Review and Discussion	11/20/2023
Highway 99 Waterline Project	11/20/2023
Housing Element Review and Discussion	12/4/2023
Water, Wastewater Rate Schedule Change	12/20/2023
Housing Element Adoption	12/18/2023

CLOSED SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

With no other items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular meeting on November 20th, 2023.


Cliff Wagner, City Administrator

