

Gridley City Council – Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 18, 2017; 6:00 pm
Gridley City Hall, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley, CA 95948

Approved as Submitted

“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 Hall called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers

Present: Johnson, Hall, Borges, Davidson, Williams
Absent: None
Arriving post roll call: None

Staff present:

Paul Eckert, City Clerk
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Mike Hensley, IT Director
Daryl Dye, Electric/Public Works Superintendent
Dean Price, Police Chief
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Supervisor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

The invocation was provided by Bishop John Walton, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

PROCLAMATIONS - None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Mayor Hall opened the forum and seeing no one present wishing to speak, the forum was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Services Update
2. City Council minutes dated November 20, 2017
3. Finance Director Employment Agreement Approval

Vice Mayor Johnson pulled item #3 for discussion and asked whether the Finance Director’s Agreement presented tonight is the same format and content as other department head agreements that were edited about a year and a half ago. Administrator Eckert replied that it is

the same with one change. The previous agreements lacked the wording indicating the employee's health insurance contribution. All employees pay this, and have been paying it, so it is nothing new, it was just added to this agreement whereas the other agreements are missing it.

With this being clarified, motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Vice Mayor Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Davidson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davidson, Hall, Williams, Borges, Johnson

Motion passed, 5-0

PUBLIC HEARING

4. Public Hearing to receive public testimony on the City's intention to approve Resolution No 2017-R-031: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Amending Gridley's Master Fee Schedule to Modify Title 13 (C), Electric Charges

Administrator Eckert reviewed the staff report with Council. Items reviewed included an explanation of the current financial crisis, the causes that led to the crisis and actions taken to this point to help reduce the deficit.

Mayor Hall opened the public hearing and seeing no one present wishing to speak on the item, the hearing was closed.

Councilmember Davidson asked what would happen if this increase was not approved. Administrator Eckert replied that there would have to be serious conversations as early as February/March of next year regarding what actions would need to be taken regarding staffing covered by the General Fund and how to avoid bankruptcy as a City.

After discussion, motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-R-031 by Councilmember Davidson, seconded by Mayor Hall.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davidson, Hall, Williams

Nays: Johnson, Borges

Motion passed, 3-2

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION - None

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Borges reported that he attended a meeting at Butte County Association of Governments.

Vice Mayor Johnson attended the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District meeting.

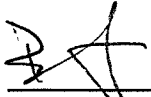
Councilmember Davidson reported on a meeting he attended at the Northern California Power Agency.

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

Sewer Pond Improvements and Policies	2/20/2018
General Fund fee study work session	2/20/2018
AM/PM Application	1/15/2018

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT – At 6:40 p.m., Council adjourned to January 16, 2018.



Paul Eckert, City Clerk

