

**CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JULY 21, 2015
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Lund called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Council Member Martorana led the pledge of allegiance.

B. ROLL CALL Present: Vice Mayor Edge, Council Members Boch, West and Martorana

Staff Present: City Manager Grimsley, Deputy City Clerk Paetz, City Attorney Mall, City Treasurer Geiger

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Rachael Ponce (SJB Resident) expressed her dissatisfaction for Interim Fire Chief Garringer’s responses to the community during the Special City Council Meeting last week and suggested a residents committee be formed. Representatives of the Suicide Crisis Line made a brief presentation of their organization.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda

B. Waive Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions on Tonight's Agenda Beyond Title

C. Approve Minutes for the June 16, 2015 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Council Member Boch and seconded by Council Member West to approve all items on the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

4. PRESENTATIONS, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS

A. Contribution to the City for a Monument Entry Sign by John Johnson of Del Webb

County Supervisor Anthony Botelho presented John Johnson of Pulte Corporation who described the proposed Del Webb development at San Juan Oaks and proposed monument entry sign for San Juan Bautista. During public comment Rachael Ponce (SJB Resident) expressed her support for the project.

B. Cemetery District Special Recognition of Lauri Sabin and Tom Rancadore

Council Member Boch recognized and thanked Lauri Sabin and Tom Rancadore for their efforts in placing flags on the veterans graves at the cemetery on July 4th.

C. Proclamations: San Benito Health Foundation

i. August as Breastfeeding Awareness Month

Rosa Vivian Fernandez, Executive Director of the San Benito Health Foundation, read the proclamation for Breastfeeding Awareness Month (August) and announced there will be an open house at the San Benito Health Foundation on August 13, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ii. August as Farmworker Health Month

Angelica Rojas of the San Benito Health Foundation read a proclamation announcing August as Farmworker Health Month.

iii. Health Center Week: August 9-15

Margaret Nunez of the San Benito Health Foundation reads the proclamation for Health Center Week.

D. Support San Benito Community Radio Project – Bob Reid

Bob Reid asks for support of the Community Radio Project. Council Member Martorana suggested staff be directed to write a letter of support for the project, and that they allow the project more time. It was the consensus of the Council to direct the City Manager to write the letter of support.

E. Monthly Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report

City Treasurer Geiger provided a report and responded to questions about items on the warrant list. No public comments were received.

F. Sheriff's Report: Monthly Activity

No one from the Sheriff's Department was present, and a written report was not available. No public comments were received.

G. Fire Chief's Report

City of Hollister Interim Fire Chief Garringer reported that nine engines responded to the recent fires in San Juan Bautista and were successful in putting the fires out before they spread to other homes. A question and answer period followed. When Council Member Boch asked who is responsible for enforcing fireworks violations, Interim Fire Chief Garringer responded the fire department is overloaded on July 4th so all law enforcement can respond to situations and cite violators. No public comments were received.

H. Library Report

Council received a report in their packet. No public comments were received.

I. Administrative Report – City Manager Grimsley

Council members received the City Manager's report in their packet. A question and answer period followed. No public comments were received.

J. Public Meetings and City Council Committee Reports

Council Member Boch reported at the COG meeting where they discussed weed abatement with Cal Trans and comment he was instrumental in getting CalTrans to

remove signs from either side of the Washington Street overpass. During public comment, City Treasurer Geiger commented on seeing an 18 wheeler on San Juan Grade Road where he could not make it and would have trouble turning around. Mayor Lund reported nothing more was discussed at the Fire Committee meeting he attended other than what Interim Fire Chief Garringer reported. No other public comments were received.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Resolution 2015-34 Accepting the 2015 Water and Waste Water Rate Study submitted by Bartle Wells

City Manager Grimsley reported. A question and answer period followed. Council Member Martorana pointed out several situations that exist in the City where the only remedy is a rate increase. Council Member West commented this is political problem and the issue is whether we want clean or dirty water. Council Member Boch commented there are projects that need funding in order to complete. No public comments were made.

A motion was made by Council Member Boch and seconded by Council Member West to approve Resolution 2015-34 accepting the 2015 Bartle Wells and Associates Water and Sewer Rate Study. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

B. Consider Employment Contract Amendment for City Manager

City Manager Grimsley brought forth an amended employment contract reflecting a 3.75% pay increase. A question and answer period followed. No public comments were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Boch and seconded by Council Member Martorana to approve Resolution 2015-35 authorizing amendments to the City Manager's employment contract. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

C. Consider Accepting Conditional Resolution and Settlement Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board

City Manager Grimsley reported City Attorney Mall was successfully in getting the State Water Resources Control Board to grant an extension, and the City is now at liberty to provided purple valve water for irrigating the landscaping in City parks, the Creekbridge subdivision, and the cemetery, but the cost is astronomical at potentially \$35,000 to \$40,000 annually. Will be framing a response to this with extension. A question and answer period followed. Council Member Boch suggested approaching local representatives for their support. No public comment was received. No action was taken.

D. Consider Approving Action Plan and Compliance Schedule for Improvements to Water System with the State Water Resources Control Board, Drinking Water Division

City Manager Grimsley reported he is working with Jan Swiegert to develop an action plan and compliance schedule for improvements to the water system, and expects the

pellet plant will help the City reach the required level of compliance. A question and answer period followed. No public comments were received. No action was taken.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Continue Discussion on an Interfund Transfer from Enterprise Funds to the General Fund

City Manager Grimsley reported in his staff report from May he proposed various plan, but action cannot be taken at this time. A question and answer period followed. No public comment was received.

B. Consider Establishing a Capital Recovery Reserve Program

City Manager Grimsley reported from his June staff report. This item will be brought back at a later meeting.

7. COMMENTS

A. City Council

Council Member Martorana commented the San Juan Committee opened a visitors' center at the Bakery. Council Member Boch suggested a fire committee be formed. Council Member West commented he purchased a decibel meter.

B. City Manager

No comments were received.

C. City Attorney

No comments were received.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Robert L. Lund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Paetz, Deputy City Clerk