

CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 15, 2014
MINUTES

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

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Moore led the pledge of allegiance.

B. ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Moore, Vice Mayor Lund, Council Members Cosio, Boch and Edge

Absent: Fire Chief Fox

Staff Present: City Manager Grimsley, City Clerk McIntyre, City Attorney Thacher, Asst. City Planner Leal

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Reed Sanders introduced himself as representative to Anthony Cannella. Andy Hsia Coron (Aromas) commented that San Benito Rising received 300 signatures from San Juan Bautista residents for the initiative against fracking. No other public comments were heard.

A motion was made by Mayor Moore and seconded by Council Member Boch to move Item 3G, the Sheriff's Report, to the beginning of the Presentations and Reports. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lund and seconded by Council Member Edge to move Items 4E, Resolution Designating a Safe Surrender Site in San Juan Bautista, and Item 4F, MOU with San Benito County for a Defibrillator, to immediately after the Sheriff's Report. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

3.G. Sheriff's Report: Monthly Activity

Captain Lamonica provided a report of activity in the City during March. A question and answer period followed. Council Member Cosio reported she received complaints about people smoking and drinking outside the bars, and did not know who should be called to report. It was suggested The City Manager and Captain Lamonica should meet with local businesses. During public comment Larry Gerbrandt (SJB resident/proprietor) advised a law enforcement presence was needed Sunday when motorcycles came into town following the Blessing of the Bikes in Tres Pinos.

4.E. Approve Resolution 2014-10 Designating a Safe Surrender Site in San Juan Bautista

Marcie Morrow, Emergency Services Manager with San Benito County Emergency Medical Services provided a report and a resolution stating California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law (SB1368) allows a parent or other person who has lawful custody of a baby to surrender that baby, up to 72 hours old, without criminal prosecution for abandonment to a hospital or fire station, and asked to designate the San Juan Bautista Fire Station as such a site. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Boch and seconded by Council Member Edge to Approve Resolution 2014-10 designating the San Juan Bautista Fire Station a safe surrender site. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

4.F. Approve MOU with San Benito County for Placement of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the Community Hall

Marcie Morrow, Emergency Services Manager with San Benito County Emergency Medical Services presented her report and a Memorandum of Understanding fs. A question and answer period followed. There was discussion about how the device operates and whether training is required. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Edge and seconded by Council Member Boch to approve a memorandum of understanding with the San Benito County Emergency Medical Services Agency for the placement of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the Community Hall. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

3. PRESENTATIONS, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS

A. Presentation of California Flags to the City by the Native Daughters of the Golden West

Georgana Gularte with the Native Daughters of the Golden West presented a California flag to Deputy City Clerk Trish Paetz to be hung outside City Hall.

B. Proclamation Honoring Fremont Peak Day

Sonora Vasquez read the proclamation presented to Georgana Gularte of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

C. Proclamation for Water Awareness Month

Shawn Novak of the Water Resources Association read the proclamation and provided information on ways to conserve water.

D. San Benito County Health Disparities Presentation

Samela Perez, MPH, Health Education Coordinator with San Benito County Public Health, reported on findings from a year of data collection and interviews with community based organizations on health disparities in San Benito County for the

Healthy San Benito County Initiative report. Work on the Initiative will make the County eligible to apply for national accreditation of our public health systems, at which time the County will need to demonstrate that all County residents have access to quality public health services that meet national standards that effectively prevent disease and injury, promote health and well-being, and provide protection from health hazards.

E. Presentation on Oil Drilling by Citadel

Armen Nahabedian of Citadel Exploration, Inc. provided a presentation on oil drilling in San Benito County, and commented San Benito Rising's anti-fracking initiative is an anti-drilling of everything. A question and answer period followed. When asked by City Manager Grimsley, Mr. Nahabedian said it took him seven and a half years to get a permit to drill a gas well in San Benito County. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. Andy Hsia Coron (Aromas resident) spoke against drilling in San Juan Bautista. Mary Flodia (Santa Cruz resident) spoke against drilling anywhere. Randall Graham (Santa Cruz resident and Mission Vineyard Road property owner) spoke against fracking. Kanyon Sayers-Roods, San Benito County, spoke against fracking. Andy ? or North Salinas, spoke against. Mary Hsia Coron (Aromas), spoke against fracking. Gabriel Michaels (Hollister), read a poem against fracking. Nelson Samuels (Aromas), spoke against fracking. Kristen Owenray (San Benito county), spoke against fracking. Andrew Owenray (Prunedale), spoke against fracking. Larry Rebecchi (Hollister), read a letter Dr. Timothy Krantz, Professor of Environmental Studies at University of the Redlands against fracking. Ann Marie Sayers (Indian Canyon Rd., Cienega), spoke against fracking. Linda Goytia (San Jose), spoke against fracking. Joe Morris (Mission Vineyard Road resident), spoke against fracking. Luis Valdez (San Juan Bautista resident), spoke against fracking. Chris Martorana (San Juan Bautista resident), spoke against fracking. Andy Hsia Coron of Aromas said the initiative will cover San Benito County but not Hollister or San Juan Bautista.

Whereupon, Council took a five minute recess.

F. Monthly Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Geiger was present and reviewed the warrants with Council, reported HdL will provide a report soon, and observed enterprise funds revenues decreased in March as a result of residents conserving water. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

G. Sheriff's Report

Council received and discussed Captain Tony Lamonica's report earlier in the meeting.

H. Fire Chief's Report

Fire Chief Mike O'Connor reported they received 367 calls since March 1, San Juan had 43 calls in a 40 day period, currently staff is receiving wildland training, and the Board of Supervisors approved allocating \$300,000 for improvements to Station No.

3, located at the airport. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

I. Library Report

Council members were provided with a report in their packet. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

J. Administrative Reports (City Manager, City Planning, Code Enforcement)

Council members were provided with a report in their packet. City Manager Grimsley presented an overview of the fiscal year 2015 budget. A question and answer period followed. It was the consensus of the Council to hold the first budget workshop on May 1, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Moore opened for public comment. No comments were received.

K. Public Meetings and Committee Reports

Council Member Edge reporting LAFCo is working on a budget. Vice Mayor Lund reported the Board of Supervisor's allocation of \$300,000 for improvements to Station No. 3 was discussed at the Fire Protection Meeting, and the Intergovernmental Committee's involvement with the Homeless Coalition to place 100,000 people into permanent housing in California was discussed at their meeting. Council Member Boch reported at a recent COG meeting he questioned Cal Trans about their plans to increase the speed limit on Hwy. 156 outside San Juan Bautista to 65 mph, noting the speed on the highway outside Placerville is not 65 mph, but he got cut off. Council Member Cosio did not attend the AMBAG meeting last month as it conflicted with a special council meeting the Neighborhood Watch will meeting on April 21 (they meet the third Monday of the month), at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

4. 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 March 18, 2014 Regular Meeting**
- D. Approve Resolution 2014-11 for Street Closure for a Car Show**
- E. Approve Resolution 2014-10 Designating a Safe Surrender Site in San Juan Bautista**
- F. Approve MOU with San Benito County for Placement of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the Community Hall**

Items E, Designating a Safe Surrender Site, and Item F, MOU with San Benito County for an AED, were approved earlier in the meeting.

Council Member Cosio pulled Item D, Resolution for Street Closures, for discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Edge and seconded by Vice Mayor Lund to approve Items A, B, and C on the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Council Member Cosio asked for clarification whether all of Washington Street would be blocked off because blocking off only a portion would not allow room for cars to turn around. City Manager Grimsley clarified.

A motion was made by Council Member Edge and seconded by Council Member Cosio to Approve Resolution 2014-11 to Approve a Street Closure for the Los Padrinos Car Club to hold a car show. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. Permission to Purchase a Forklift

City Manager Grimsley reported the city has the opportunity to purchase a forklift they have been leasing for \$6,987.50. As this amount exceeds the \$5,000 purchase limit allowed for City Manager authorization in our purchasing policies, City Manager Grimsley is seeking council approval.

A motion was made by Council Member Cosio and seconded by Council Member Boch to Approve Resolution 2014-12 authorizing the city manager to purchase a forklift in an amount exceeding city manager purchasing limit. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

B. Consider Resolution 2014-XX Supporting Efforts to Reform Proposition 13

Council Member Edge reported. A question and answer period followed. There was discussion about eliminating the reference to not including small businesses in the tax. It was the consensus of the Council to receive more information before action could be taken.

A motion was made by Council Member Edge and seconded by Council Member Boch to continue this item to the next regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

C. Consider Amending Ordinance Increasing Business License Fees

City Manager Grimsley reported the state recently enacted legislation requiring all businesses to pay a special \$1.00 fee for disability access and compliance. Businesses in San Juan Bautista have not seen an increase to rates for a business license since 2006. Assistant City Manager Rathie explained the process to increase business license fees would need to go to the voters as a measure, and the soonest would be for the November 2014 General Election. Assistant City Manager Rathie added that fees could be added to the cost of business licenses, as long as they do not exceed the cost of service; staff would need to provide documentation substantiating the increase, and hold a public hearing. Rathie advised bringing back as a resolution with supporting documentation. Additionally, the municipal code could be amended to allow for periodic increases to fees.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Budget Overview

This item was discussed during the City Manager's Administrative Report.

7. COMMENTS

A. City Council Members: Council Member Edge commented the County's presentation on health disparities should have been kept to 10 minutes. Council Member Boch commented that much of the public is not aware that council members do not get paid, but are performing their civic duty. Council Member Cosio commented that you can't believe everything you read in the newspapers.

B. City Manager: No comments made.

C. City Attorney: No comments made.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.