

**CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**MARCH 19, 2013**  
**MINUTES**

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

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

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

**Staff Present:** City Manager Grimsley, City Attorney Thacher, City Clerk McIntyre, Fire Chief Fox

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Rachel Ponce (Resident, SJB) announced there will be a Scholarships-Afterschool Arts fundraising dinner at the Aromas Grange on April 13 at 5:00 p.m. sponsored by the Aromas-San Juan Bautista Community Schools Foundation.

3. **PRESENTATIONS, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS**

**A. Presentation on Countywide Fire Service**

Hollister Mayor Ignacio Velasquez spoke about the benefits communities could derive with the City of San Juan Bautista and the City of Hollister consolidating with San Benito County for fire services, specifically, cost savings, improved emergency services for the community, and faster response time which could positively affect insurance rates. San Juan's fire station, Station #4, would have a cover staff and reserves. A 3-5 year contract is proposed at a cost of \$150,000 to the City. Council Member Cosio was concerned with the number of fire fighters responding on the rescue vehicles and the City's shortfalls (waterline, structural, etc.), and the effectiveness at the beginning of a multi year contract. Vice Mayor Moore explained that the City's relationship with Cal Fire is not good and has brought down volunteers' moral. Consolidating with Hollister and the County would motivate our volunteers. Council Member Lund pointed out that consolidating would improve staffing. City Manager Grimsley recognized the assistance and support County Supervisor Botelho has provided City staff. Supervisor Botelho informed Council that, with their approval the proposal for consolidating could go before the Board of Supervisors on April 2, and fire impact funds are available to help with the fire department building renovations.

A motion was made by Mayor Boch and seconded by Council Member Lund to move Item 6A to immediately following the presentation. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Boch opened for public comment. Rachel Ponce (SJB, Resident) was concerned with the agreement moving too quickly, the affect it might have to the City's budget, whether City volunteer firefighters would have to form a union, the number that would need to be on call, and who would be responsible for developing a volunteer schedule. Hollister Fire Chief O'Connor responded that reserves (volunteers) do not need to belong to the union as it affects only those working more than 2,000 hours. City Manager Grimsley stated that the City's current \$108,000 Fire Department budget would be subject to a \$50,000 increase with the advent of consolidating. City Council Member Cosio reminded the public that City staff and council members have been discussing fire services for the past year as members of the Intergovernmental Committee and the Fire Council.

#### **6A. Consider Proposal to Partner with City of Hollister for Countywide Fire Department**

Mayor Boch opened this item A question and answer period followed. Council Member Edge asked how many firefighters would be staffed at the City's fire house, and Captain O'Connor replied, three.

A motion was made by Council Member Cosio and seconded by Council Member Lund to approve submittal of a proposal for countywide fire services to the San Benito County Board of Supervisors, in partnership with the City of Hollister. The motion passed unanimously.

Whereupon, Mayor Boch requested a 15 minute break be taken.

#### **B. Monthly Financial Statements – Treasurer's Report**

City Treasurer Geiger provided the treasurers report and a report on the CSMFO conference he attended. Additionally, City Treasurer Geiger presented City Manager Grimsley with a binder of PowerPoint presentations from the conference. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

#### **C. Library Report**

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

#### **D. Fire Chief's Report**

Council members were provided with a report in their packets. Fire Chief Fox was present and commented that consolidating with the County and the City of Hollister for fire service will assist with applying for grants. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

#### **E. Sheriff's Report: Monthly Activity**

Deputy Brown was present and provided a report of crime activity in the City. A question and answer period followed. Vice Mayor Moore was concerned with tree trimming trucks parked on Muckelemi Street. Council Member Lund was concerned with the number of

vehicles he has encountered parked in the wrong direction on Mariposa Street. Deputy Brown recognized the situation and suggested a directional arrow be painted on the street. City Manager Grimsley commented he had received complaints about noisy and speeding motorcycles leaving. Vice Mayor Moore suggested involving California Highway Patrol presence in San Juan on weekends. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

**F. Public Works Report – City Manager Grimsley**

Council members received the City Manager's Public Works report in their packet. A question and answer period followed. Council Member Cosio was concerned with weeds in City sidewalk cracks. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No public comments were received.

**G. Code Enforcement Report – City Manager Grimsley**

Council members received the City Manager's report in their packet. He recommended council direct staff and legal counsel to take appropriate action to abate the violation on 205 The Alameda. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received. Mayor Boch directed the City Manager to begin the abatement process at the next meeting.

**H. City Planner Activity Report – City Manager Grimsley**

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

**I. City Manager Report – City Manager Grimsley**

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

**J. Public Meetings and Committee Reports**

Council Member Edge reported on the first Strategic Planning Committee meeting, Council Member Lund reported on a San Benito Health Foundation meeting he attended at Jardines, and a motorcycle rally meeting. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

**4. CONSENT ITEMS**

**A. Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda**

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

**C. Approve Resolution 2013-XX for Street Closure**

**D. Approve Resolution 2013-XX Establishing the Compensation for the Offices of City Clerk and City Treasurer**

**E. Approve Minutes for January 15, 2013 Meeting**

Mayor Boch asked to pull Item 4D from the consent agenda for discussion; Council Member Cosio asked to pull Item 4C for discussion.

A motion was made by Mayor Boch and seconded by Council Member Lund to approve all Items on the consent agenda except Items C and D. The motion passed unanimously.

**Item 4C: Approve Resolution 2013-05 for Street Closure**

Council Member Cosio was concerned with cleanup after the Rib Cook-Off in May, and Council Member Lund was concerned that a route remains open for the fire department during the event. City Manager Grimsley stated that the San Juan Committee would be monitoring the event.

**Item 4D: Approve Resolution 2013-06 Establishing the Compensation for the Offices of City Clerk and City Treasurer**

Mayor Boch commented on an e-mail he received from City Clerk McIntyre regarding compensation for the city clerk. Whereupon, City Clerk McIntyre provided clarification for the contents of her e-mail.

A motion was made by Council Member Cosio and seconded by Vice Mayor Moore to approve Items C and D on the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Consider Resolution 2013-07 Adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the City's Reclaimed Water Improvement Project No. 400-2012**

City Manager Grimsley presented the mitigated negative declaration for the Supplemental Environmental Program (SEP). A question and answer period followed. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Edge and seconded by Vice Mayor Moore to approve Resolution 2013-07 adopting a mitigated negative declaration for the City's Reclaimed Water Improvement Project No. 400-2012. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Consider Proposal to Partner with City of Hollister for Countywide Fire Department**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

**B. Approve Resolution 2013-08 Amending Development Impact Fees Pursuant to Chapter 3-8 of the Municipal Code**

City Manager Grimsley presented a resolution that would amend the City's development impact fees for new development. A question and answer period followed. Mayor Boch opened for public comment. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Lund and seconded by Council Member Edge to approve Resolution 2013-08 amending development impact fees pursuant to Chapter 3-8 of the municipal code. The motion passed unanimously.

Whereupon Council Member Edge left the meeting.

**C. Consider Approving Lease of New Photocopier in City Hall**

Deputy City Clerk Paetz presented a proposal for replacing the leased Xerox photocopier in City Hall with a new, leased Xerox photocopier.

A motion was made by Council Member Lund and seconded by Vice Mayor Moore to approve a lease agreement for a new photocopier in City Hall. The motion passed 4-0-1-0 with Council Member Edge absent.

**D. Consider League's Request to Oppose SB7**

A request from the League of California Cities was included for Council Member's in their packet. City Attorney Thacher clarified that although this Bill is directed at charter cities it affects general law cities as well.

A motion was made by Council Member Cosio and seconded by Vice Mayor Moore to direct staff to prepare a letter opposing SB7 and in favor of option 3. The motion passed 4-0-1-0 with Council Member Edge absent.

**E. Consider Ballot Decision on League of California Cities Bylaws Amendments**

It was the consensus of the Council to continue this item to the next meeting.

**F. Consider Request by Seniors Council for Representative**

Deputy City Clerk Paetz ask that this item be continued to the next meeting allowing her the opportunity to make contact with the organization's Executive Director and gather more information. Continuance granted.

**7. COMMENTS**

**A. City Council Members:** Council Member Cosio commented that participants at the Neighborhood Watch meeting suggested making the City's entire downtown handicapped parking. Councilmember Lund reported that a fundraiser benefiting Joe Fahy went well. Mayor Boch commented that he would like to see the barbecues stopped on Third Street.

**B. City Manager:** City Manager Grimsley placed a moratorium on rental of the City's right of way as the activities are destructive to the business district.

**C. City Attorney:** No comments received.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.