

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, ORLAND CITY COUNCIL, Monday April 15, 2013 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gee. Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Jim Paschall, Salina Edwards, Bruce Roundy, Vice Mayor Dennis Hoffman and Mayor Charles Gee

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: Chief of Police J.C. Tolle, Recreation Director Joe Fenske, City Attorney Greg Einhorn, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Angie Crook and City Manager Pete Carr

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen comments:

None

Introductions and awards:

Chief of Police Tolle introduced the following new Police Officers: Severn Lemstrom, Kalen Hagins and newly hired Bryan Simpson. City Clerk Crook gave the Oath of Affirmation to Police Officer Simpson. Police Officer Ian Ayres was presented with the Lifesaving award for his quick response to a gentleman in a vehicle accident that caught on fire. Police Officer Charles Barnes was recognized for the Nicholas T. Mondragon Officer of the Year award. Chief Tolle thanked the entire police department for their outstanding efforts. Mayor Gee on behalf of the City Council thanked the police department for all their hard work.

Proclamations:

Mayor Gee presented a proclamation to Chief of Police Tolle declaring May 12 through 18, 2013, as National Police Week, with special recognition of May 5-6, 2013 as California Peace Officer Memorial Ceremonies and May 15, 2013 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

Mayor Gee presented a proclamation honoring Dr. John G. Schmidt for his years of service to the Orland community as the "family doc". The proclamation will be given to him at a community retirement picnic to be held April 20, 2013 at Vinsonhaler Park.

Trish Saint-Evens and Donna Barron came forward to request Council to consider placement of a plaque in Library Park honoring Dr. John G. Schmidt for his lifetime commitment to the community. They felt Library Park was appropriate since his childhood home was across the street. An exact cost of the plaque was not available at this time. Council advised the Arts Commission should be consulted regarding the project. Councilmember Paschall stated the school board should have input since Dr. Schmidt was very much involved with Orland High School. It was suggested the gazebo as a possible location to place the plaque for Dr. Schmidt and other plaques in the future. Councilmember Edwards offered to meet with Trish Saint-Evens to discuss additional details and recommendations.

Presentation:

Orland Pride's request for City Council to accept a \$1,000 donation toward aesthetic improvements in the area of the Orland Arch was deferred, as a representative from the group was not in attendance.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Councilmember Paschall did not have any reports at this time.

Councilmember Edwards reported on the following:

- Attended Economic Development Commission meeting; the EDC would like to see City entrances/exits cleaned up;
- Attended Public Safety Commission meeting; requesting public input on concerns in the community;
- Acted as judge for Community Connection's high school program;
- Presented \$500 check to Recreation department on behalf of Orland Women's Improvement Club to pay for newly painted sign.

Councilmember Roundy reported on the following:

- Attended Golf Tournament; raised approximately \$6,000 for the Recreation department;
- May 11th, 2013 unveiling of bronze sculpture;
- Orland Pantry Simple Gesture program collected more food;
- Attended GSRMA Ethics and Harassment training ;
- Attended policy committee meeting with the League of California Cities.

Vice Mayor Hoffman reported on the following:

- Chamber of Commerce Bass Tournament a success;
- Orland Grocery Outlet Grand Opening this Wednesday April 17, 2013.

Mayor Gee reported on the following:

- Attended GSRMA Ethics training; bullying also discussed;
- Joint meeting for City/County to be held April 24, 2013, 6:30 p.m. at Orland Memorial Hall.

Trish Saint- Evens, Chamber of Commerce representative, advised there were 12 boats in the bass tournament and the largest bass weighed 5.8 pounds.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Warrant List (payable obligations).
- B. Approve City Minutes for March 18, 2013.
- C. Approve entry fee to participate in Glenn County Fair parade May 18, 2013.
- D. Approve agreement with Glenn County and the Cities within it to toll statute of limitations for claims regarding property tax administration.

Vice Mayor Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Paschall approved the consent calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Recreation Director:

Recreation Director Fenske brought forward Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation for disc golf. The following conditions were recommended:

- Relocation of hole #8 which is close to the south sidewalk near the tennis courts
- Park users have the right away. Disc golfers have to yield to picnickers. If people are using the picnic area the warm up area and hole #9 would be closed.
- Rules and Regulations must be posted at entry to the course.
- No expense to City Hall. It shall be at the users' expense to update or fix any maintenance problems with the course.
- Disc Golf group does the prep work and installs the course with approval/direction of Public Works Director.

Councilmembers discussed concerns over the city's liability, safety issues and/or possible vandalism of the course. Recreation Director Fenske advised the baskets are portable and constructed of steel and will be sleeved in the ground. If other events are being held in the park, the baskets will be removed. Recreation Director Fenske stated the rules will be clearly posted. Chet Ogborn advised he plans to teach disc golf classes for children so they can learn the sport and etiquette on the course. It was noted disc golf would bring additional business to the community.

Vice Mayor Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Roundy to approve the recommended conditions and direct staff to proceed with the installation of a 9-hole disc golf course at Vinsonhaler Park. Motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.

City Manager:

City Manager Carr presented an update on the progress of the Community Center Task Force. The task force reviewed the 2006 consultant's community center project plan and budget and analyzed what has changed in the community's needs. The task force did agree on the following:

- We do not need a 1200- seat gymnasium and 800-fixed seat performing arts venue.
- The facility should be closer to 30,000 square feet on 1 acre.
- We do not want to duplicate or draw away from fairground facilities.
- Vinsonhaler Park is not a good location; location next to OHS is not critical.
- City Recreation Center alleviates some of the need for sports complex, has expansion capability.
- Have a short and long term plan.

Byron Denton felt there should be public input prior to a recommendation being made. After Council discussion, the consensus of Council is to have Councilmember Edwards and Vice Mayor Hoffman bring forward recommendations at the next scheduled Council meeting and to set up a

future town hall meeting for public input. Council agreed the Community Task force has completed their job.

City Manager Carr brought forward Economic Development Commission's recommendation regarding city beautification efforts. City Manager Carr advised a clean-up day is scheduled with Waste Management for September 21st to be held at the fairgrounds. The commission has documented visual blight issues and prioritized areas of concern. Many blight issues are on private property in the county which is not in the City's jurisdiction. Council advised historical preservation should be considered as well as safety and public health issues. Councilmember Edwards encouraged volunteers to help the elderly that may not have a pickup or the help to get their properties cleaned up. Council agreed for staff to take a soft approach to those property owners that may need assistance in cleaning up their properties.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:29 P.M.

_____ Clerk

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